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20265. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-01 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 20265

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:Issued: 2013 Jan 01 1303 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
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SIDC URSIGRAM 30101
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 01 Jan 2013, 1259UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 01 Jan 2013 until 03 Jan 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >= 50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 01 Jan 2013 10CM FLUX: 111 / AP: 004
PREDICTIONS FOR 02 Jan 2013 10CM FLUX: 113 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 03 Jan 2013 10CM FLUX: 117 / AP: 007
COMMENT: Solar activity is low, NOAA AR 1640 produced a C1.2 flare
peaking at 09:06 UT, this region is developing further and can cause
more C-class flares. Geomagnetic activity has been quiet and is expected
to remain so.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 070, BASED ON 07 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 31 Dec 2012
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 114
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : ///
AK WINGST : 001
ESTIMATED AP : 001
ESTIMATED ISN : 064, BASED ON 15 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
END
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Date: 2013-01-01 14:47:17 UTC
From: jjreisert@alum.mit.edu
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ANNOBON, 3C0. After their Bioko Island operation, look for EA5BYP and EA5KM to be QRV as 3C0E from Pagalu Island, IOTA AF-039, from February 28 to March 11. Activity will be with two stations on the HF bands. QSL via EA5BYP.

SWAZILAND, 3DA0. Phil, G3SWH and John, G3OLU are QRV as 3DA0PW from the Hawane Resort until February 29. Activity is on 80 to 10 meters using CW with two stations, propagation permitting. QSL via G3SWH.

UNITED ARAB EMIRATES, A6. Operators A65BT, A65BX and A61QQ are QRV as A65BT from Sa'diyyat Island, IOTA AS-021, until February 25 using mainly CW and some SSB. QSL direct to A65BT.

THE GAMBIA, C5. Alan, G3XAQ will be QRV as C56XA from February 27 to March 15. Activity will be on the HF bands using CW. This includes an entry in the upcoming RSGB Commonwealth Contest. QSL via G3SWH.

BAHAMAS, C6. Some members of the Yankee Clipper Contest Club will be QRV as C6ANM from Nassau, IOTA NA-001, in the CQ 160-Meter SSB contest as a Multi/Single entry. QSL direct via WA2IYO.

CHILE, CE. Members of the Three Stars DX Group will be QRV as XR4CA from Cabo Carranza in the South American Lighthouse Weekend. Activity will be on 40, 20 and 10 meters using SSB. QSL via CE6AMN.

CUBA, CO. Luis, CO6LP will be QRV in the CQ 160-Meter SSB contest as a Single Op entry. QSL via EA5GL.

SPAIN, EA. A group of operators will be QRV as AO1POL in the CQ 160-Meter SSB contest. QSL via EA1GHT.

GRENADA, J3. Harry, AC8G will be QRV as J37K from March 1 to 4. This includes an entry in the upcoming ARRL SSB DX contest. QSL direct to home call.

DOMINICA, J7. Brian, K1LI will be QRV as J7Y from February 25 to March 13. This includes an entry in the upcoming ARRL SSB DX contest. QSL to home call.

ARGENTINA, LU. Members of the Radio Club Mar Del Plata will be QRV as LT5D from Punta Mogotes in the South American Lighthouse Weekend. QSL via LU2DT.

BRAZIL, PY. Operators Orlando, PT2OP and Fred, PY2XB are QRV as PV2PC and ZX2S, respectively, from Sao Sebastiao Island, IOTA SA-028, until February 27. This includes being active in the South American Lighthouse Weekend. Activity is on 40 to 10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL PV2PC via PT2OP and ZX2S via PT7WA.

SUDAN, ST. Robert, ST2AR has been active on 15 meters using CW between 1300 and 1500z. QSL via S53R.

PALAU, T8. Kazue, JJ0LUH and Kiyoshi, JA0EKI will be QRV as T88XG and T88XH, respectively, from February 26 to March 2. Activity will be on 160 to 10 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY, PSK31 and JT65. QSL both calls via JA0EKI.

MEXICO, XE. Look for XE1RCS to be QRV in the CQ 160-meter SSB contest. QSL via bureau.

CAMBODIA, XU. Bernhard, DK7TF is QRV as XU7DLH until March 15. QSL to home call.

ST. HELENA, ZD7. Nigel, G3TXF will be QRV as ZD7XF from February 29 to March 13. Activity will be mainly on 160 and 80 meters using CW. This includes being an entry in the upcoming RSGB Commonwealth contest. QSL to home call.

CAYMAN ISLANDS, ZF. John, K6AM will be QRV as ZF2AM from Grand Cayman Island, IOTA NA-016, in the CQ 160-Meter SSB contest as a Single Op/High Power entry. QSL to home call.

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From: willis yule
Topic: 2047 Message: 20272

Somebody got something, I received about 15 copies of this.

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From: jjreisert@...
Sent: Tuesday, January 01, 2013 6:52 AM
To: dx-is@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] ARLD010 DX news

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ARLD010 DX news

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DX Bulletin 10 ARLD010
>From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT March 8, 2012
To all radio amateurs

SB DX ARL ARLD010
ARLD010 DX news

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by NC1L, the OPDX Bulletin, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, DXNL, The Weekly DX, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

LESOTHO, 7P. Gert, ZS6AYU is QRV as 7P8GF until March 13. Activity is on 40 to 10 meters using only CW. QSL to home call.

MALTA, 9H. Peter, G3PHO is QRV as 9H3C from Gozo Island, IOTA EU-023, until March 15. Activity is on 80 to 10 meters and possibly 160 meters. This includes an entry in the RSGB Commonwealth contest. QSL to home call.

KUWAIT, 9K. Some members of the Kuwait ARS are QRV as 9K2F from Failaka Island, IOTA AS-118, until March 12. QSL via 9K2HN.

TONGA, A3. A group of operators are QRV as A35YZ until March 24. Activity is on 160 to 6 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY, SSTV and PSK31 with several stations active. QSL via DL7DF.

FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY, DA. Special event station DQ0STRATEX is QRV until January 31, 2013 to commemorate the March 10 and March 24 launches of the stratospheric balloon projects named StratexB. Activity is on all bands and modes. On the balloons an APRS beacon will be on 144.800 MHz and a speech beacon on 430.375 MHz FM. QSL via DK4REX.

BOSNIA-HERZEGOVINA, E7. Special event station E720RS is QRV until the end of 2012 to commemorate the 20th anniversary of the founding of Republika Srpska, the Serbian entity in Bosnia-Herzegovina. QSL via E78CB.

DOMINICA, J7. Simon, G7SOZ is QRV as J79SZ until March 15. This includes an entry in the RSGB Commonwealth contest. QSL to home call.

JAPAN, JA. Special event station 8N5KOCHI is QRV until March 22 to mark an ARISS school contact from Kochi on Shikoku Island, IOTA AS-076. QSL via bureau.

DENMARK, OZ. Stefan, DL7AOS is QRV as 5P5K until March 24. Activity is on 80 to 6 meters. This includes an entry in the upcoming Russian DX contest. QSL to home call.

SLOVENIA, S5. Members of the Radio club Skofja Loka are QRV as S540DKR until the end of April in celebration of its 40th jubilee. QSL via S59DKR.

SEYCHELLES, S7. Tom, DL5NEN and Claudia, DO5NEN will be QRV as S79NEN from Mahe and La Digue, both IOTA AF-024, from March 12 to 28. Activity will be on 40 to 10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. This includes entries in the upcoming CQ WPX SSB and BARTG HF RTTY contests. QSL via DO5NEN.

CHAD, TT. Elvira, IV3FSG is QRV as TT8ES from N'Djamena until March 18. Activity is on the HF bands using SSB and digital modes. QSL via IK3GES.

BERMUDA, VP9. Bob, G3PJT is QRV as VP9/G3PJT until March 15. This includes an entry in the RSGB Commonwealth contest. QSL to home call.

VIET NAM, XV. Retu, OH4MDY, plans to be QRV as XV2RZ from March 14 to April 16. QSL to home call.

CHATHAM ISLANDS, ZL7. Dave, VO1AU is QRV as ZL7/VO1AU until March 13. Activity is on the HF bands using CW and SSB. This includes being a Single Op/All Band entry in the RSGB Commonwealth contest. QSL via VO1MX.

OPERATIONS APPROVED FOR DXCC CREDIT. The following operations are approved for DXCC credit: Somalia, 6O0M, 2011 operation. If you had this operation rejected, send a note to bmoore (at) arrl.org to have your record updated. Burundi, 9U3TMM, reported as December 2011 and January 2012. If you had this operation rejected, send a note to bmoore (at) arrl.org to have your record updated. Afghanistan, T6BP, current operation commencing in 2011. Macquarie Island, VK0TH and AX/VK0TH, current operations. If you had VK0TH rejected, send a note to bmoore (at) arrl.org to have your record updated.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The North American RTTY Sprint, RSGB Commonwealth CW Contest, AWA John Rollins Memorial CW DX Contest, QRP CW Fox Hunt, NCCC Sprint, AGCW QRP CW Contest, QRP ARCI HF Grid Square CW Sprint, EA PSK63 Contest, Idaho QSO Party, SKCC Weekend CW Sprintathon, UBA Spring CW Contest, NSARA SSB Contest and Wisconsin QSO Party will certainly keep contesters busy this upcoming weekend. The NAQCC-EU Monthly CW Sprint is scheduled for March 12. The CW QRP Fox Hunt, RSGB 80-meter Club CW Championship and CWops Mini-CWT CW Test are scheduled for March 14. Please see March QST, page 86 and the ARRL and WA7BNM Contest Web Sites for details.
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20273. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-02 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 20273

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:Issued: 2013 Jan 02 1236 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30102
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 02 Jan 2013, 1233UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 02 Jan 2013 until 04 Jan 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Quiet conditions (<50% probability of C-class flares)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 02 Jan 2013 10CM FLUX: 118 / AP: 006
PREDICTIONS FOR 03 Jan 2013 10CM FLUX: 120 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 04 Jan 2013 10CM FLUX: 124 / AP: 007
COMMENT: Solar activity has been very low, C-class flares can be
expected from NOAA AR 1640 and 1638. Geomagnetic activity has been quiet
and it's expected to remain so.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 063, BASED ON 10 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 1 Jan 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 118
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 003
AK WINGST : 000
ESTIMATED AP : 001
ESTIMATED ISN : 070, BASED ON 12 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
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20274. RE: Dear friend--alittle- -- Good luck! 2013-1-2-22:54:24

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-02 14:52:29 UTC
From: K4DTT@aol.com
Topic: 20274 Message: 20274

hey, A surprise for you!
Hello (http://www.iphmallo.com)

I have found a very nice shopping website---www.iphmallo.com---, and would like to share it with you. The prices of the products on this website is very preferable and this website can provide free delivery charges. (http://www.iphmallo.com)

Wish you won't miss this good chance if you like here! (http://www.iphmallo.com)

All the best for you! (http://www.iphmallo.com)
Wish you happy everyday! k4dtt

20275. LoTW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-02 15:55:37 UTC
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy (K5MWH)
Topic: 799 Message: 20275

ZL9 showed up in LoTW today. 364/339.

73,
Mike, W5UC

20276. RE: [DX-IS] LoTW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-02 16:12:39 UTC
From: KQ8M
Topic: 799 Message: 20276

Happy New Year everyone.

Mine came through also. 4 new band countries: 12, 17, 30 ,40

73,

Tim Herrick, KQ8M

Charter Member North Coast Contesters

kq8m@...

AR-Cluster V6 kq8m.no-ip.org

User Ports: 23, 7373 with local skimmer, 7374 without local skimmer

Server Ports: V6 3607, V4 Active 3605, V4 Passive 3606

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Mike(W5UC) & Kathy (K5MWH)
Sent: Wednesday, January 02, 2013 10:56 AM
To: DX-IS
Subject: [DX-IS] LoTW

ZL9 showed up in LoTW today. 364/339.

73,
Mike, W5UC

20277. CW Contest on 17M?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-03 02:49:28 UTC
From: Lee ZL2AL
Topic: 20277 Message: 20277

I am listening to a group of contesters calling "CQ NYP" on and around 18,089Khz on CW and answering with the std 599 + Nr report. The time is 02:48 UTC on Jan 3 (We in ZL are 15 - 18 hours ahead of the USA)

IS this the thin edge of the wedge? Will contesting become a reality on the WARC bands?

Anybody else hearing them

73, Lee ZL2AL

20278. RE: [DX-IS] CW Contest on 17M?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-03 03:14:29 UTC
From: Ron Notarius W3WN
Topic: 20277 Message: 20278

No copy here. I don't see any spots for it either (although my cluster filters may be blocking it)

Any calls?

And I hate to have to remind you, but there is no law anywhere that I know of that bans contesting on 17 meters. I'm NOT saying it's a good idea - it's not - but it's not against the law.

I wonder if this is just a small group somewhere having a little fun? If that's the case, let's not make a big deal out of it.

73

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Lee ZL2AL
Sent: Wednesday, January 02, 2013 9:49 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] CW Contest on 17M?

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20279. Re: CW Contest on 17M?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-03 11:14:51 UTC
From: Lee ZL2AL
Topic: 20277 Message: 20279

Hi Ron
Of course it's not against the ITU guidelines. Hams can do virtually whatever we like within our bands which includes the WARC bands and that's a good thing.

I just was quite surprised having never heard a contest on the WARC bands since we all had access to them all those years ago. The lack of contests is a gentleman's agreement and I am actually quite amazed it has lasted this long. My questions were a bit tongue in cheek.

Interesting that there was no hint of any contest in any of the published contests at this time. Also interesting that it happened on a weekday and only seemed to last for a short while that I heard it. Propagation for me fades out around that time but the contest was still going.

Callsigns? JA's, BY's a BA that I heard. All the signs point to a small group having a bit of fun in that part of the world. It is highly unlikely that we will see the next CQWW included in the WARC bands. Contesters get enough flak from the weekend rag chewers as it is. :-)

73, Lee ZL2AL

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20280. Re: [DX-IS] Re: CW Contest on 17M?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-03 11:33:07 UTC
From: Pete Smith N4ZR
Topic: 20277 Message: 20280

One of the best defenses contesters have is that the WARC bands, as well as the opposite mode, are always available for non-contest use, even in the really big contests. I hope we're not edging toward changing that.

73, Pete N4ZR
Check out the Reverse Beacon Network at
http://reversebeacon.net,
blog at reversebeacon.blogspot.com.
For spots, please go to your favorite
ARC V6 or VE7CC DX cluster node.

On 1/3/2013 6:14 AM, Lee ZL2AL wrote:
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20281. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-03 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 20281

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:Issued: 2013 Jan 03 1244 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30103
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 03 Jan 2013, 1241UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 03 Jan 2013 until 05 Jan 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Quiet conditions (<50% probability of C-class flares)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 03 Jan 2013 10CM FLUX: 118 / AP: 001
PREDICTIONS FOR 04 Jan 2013 10CM FLUX: 120 / AP: 001
PREDICTIONS FOR 05 Jan 2013 10CM FLUX: 120 / AP: 001
COMMENT: Solar activity is very low, no C-class flares in past 24h,
NOAA AR 1640 is slowly growing and has potential for producing them.
Geomagnetic conditions have been quiet and are expected to remain so

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 081, BASED ON 05 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 2 Jan 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 119
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 007
AK WINGST : 004
ESTIMATED AP : 003
ESTIMATED ISN : 064, BASED ON 10 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
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20282. Re: [DX-IS] CW Contest on 17M?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-03 14:44:13 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 20277 Message: 20282

I would hazard a guess that NYP stood for "New Year's Party." It may
be something akin to Straight Key Night. SKN isn't a contest and all
ham bands are allowed.

So this may be someone's party for the New Year and not a contest. I
didn't hear any of the stations but I'm guessing it was a small group.
I never saw any announcements about it anywhere.

73, Zack W9SZ

On 1/2/13, Lee ZL2AL <leezl2al@...> wrote:
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> 18,089Khz on CW and answering with the std 599 + Nr report. The time is
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20283. ARLD001 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-03 23:41:55 UTC
From: jjreisert@alum.mit.edu
Topic: 8733 Message: 20283

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ARLD001 DX news

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DX Bulletin 1 ARLD001
>From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT January 3, 2013
To all radio amateurs

SB DX ARL ARLD001
ARLD001 DX news

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KENYA, 5Z. Bertrand, DF3ZS and Tom, DL1QW will be QRV as 5Z4/DF3ZS and 5Z4/DL1QW, respectively, from Diani Beach from January 7 to 20. Activity will be on 80 to 10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL to home calls.

SENEGAL, 6W. Francis, F6BLP is QRV as 6W7SK until January 18 from Saly Portudal. Activity is holiday style on 80 to 10 meters using mostly CW. This may include some activity on 160 meters. QSL to home call.

FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY, DA. Special event station DL50FRANCE is QRV during all of 2013 to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the French-German Treaty of Friendship, also known as the Elysee Treaty. QSL via DK8VR.

PHILIPPINES, DU. Bob, WT3A is QRV as DU7TET and is usually active on 160 meters between 0945 and 1300z. QSL to home call.

ST. VINCENT, J8. Al, W6HGF will be QRV as J8/W6HGF from Saint Vincent and the Grenadines from January 9 to 24. Activity will be on all bands, with an emphasis on the higher bands when possible using mostly RTTY and other digital modes. QSL direct to home call.

MONGOLIA, JT. Chak, JT1CO has been active on 30 meters around 2100z. QSL direct.

PAPUA NEW GUINEA, P2. Nao, JA2VQP is working as a volunteer and teaching mathematics at the Divine Word University in Wewak for the next two years. He has recently been issued the call P29NO and

plans to be active in the coming months.

NETHERLANDS, PA. Special event station PD110MVV is QRV until January 14 to commemorate the 110th jubilee of the football club MVV Maastricht. QSL via PD3R.

SLOVENIA, S5. Special event station S5300TP is QRV during all of 2013 to mark the 300 years since the Tolmin Peasant Uprising of 1713. QSL via S59DAP.

MOUNT ATHOS, SV/A. Monk Apollo, SV2ASP/A has been active on 40 meters using SSB around 0600z to 0700z. He has also been active on 17 meters using SSB around 1400z. QSL direct to home call.

NAMIBIA, V5. Ewald, DJ2BQ is QRV as V5/DJ2BQ until January 18. Activity is on 80 to 10 meters using RTTY. QSL to home call.

MONTSERRAT, VP2M. Bjorn, SM0MDG is QRV as VP2MSW until January 8. Activity is mainly on 17 and 15 meters, and possibly 10 meters if conditions permit. QSL via M0URX.

LAOS, XW. Larry is now QRV as XW1A. Activity is on 160 to 2 meters using CW and SSB. This will eventually include RTTY. QSL via E21EIC.

ROMANIA, YO. Members of the Radioclub QSO Banat Timisoara are QRV as YP10KQT during all of 2013 to celebrate their 10th anniversary. QSL via YO2KQT.

MACEDONIA, Z3. To commemorate the assignment of the Z3 prefix 20 years ago, special event station Z320RSM is QRV. Also, Special event stations Z320A to Z320Z are also QRV. QSL via operators' instructions.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The ARRL RTTY Roundup, Kid's Day SSB Contest, EUCW 160-Meter CW Contest, QRP CW Fox Hunt, NCCC Sprint CW Ladder, PODXS 070 Club PSKFest and the QRP ARCI Pet Rock CW Celebration are all on tap for this upcoming weekend. The ARS Spartan CW Sprint is scheduled for January 8. The CWops Mini-CWT CW Test and QRP CW Fox Hunt are scheduled for January 9. Please see January 2013 QST, page 87, and the ARRL and WA7BNM Contest websites for details.
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20284. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-04 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 20284

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:Issued: 2013 Jan 04 1314 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30104
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 04 Jan 2013, 1259UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 04 Jan 2013 until 06 Jan 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >= 50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 04 Jan 2013 10CM FLUX: 129 / AP: 001
PREDICTIONS FOR 05 Jan 2013 10CM FLUX: 131 / AP: 001
PREDICTIONS FOR 06 Jan 2013 10CM FLUX: 133 / AP: 001
COMMENT: Several C-class flares have been produced in the past 24h, the
strongest one being a C1.7 from NOAA AR 1640, peaking at 21:38 UT on
January 3. This AR has developed into a beta-gamma-delta magnetic
configuration. It will most likely produce more C-class flares, and has
potential for M-class events. In the last images from SWAP and SDO an
eruption can be seen in NOAA AR 1639 (located at S16 W30) starting at
09:00 UT. There is still not enough coronagraph data to asses a possible
Earth-directed CME. Geomagnetic conditions are quiet and expected to
remain so.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 100, BASED ON 05 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 3 Jan 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 129
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 003
AK WINGST : 001
ESTIMATED AP : 001
ESTIMATED ISN : 092, BASED ON 09 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
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20285. 425 DX News - #1131

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-04 16:21:57 UTC
From: r_brothers
Topic: 20285 Message: 20285

05 January 2013 A.R.I. DX Bulletin
No 1131
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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** DX INFORMATION ****
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Edited by I1JQJ & IK1ADH
Direttore Responsabile I2VGW

9U - A team of operators from Belgium and the Netherlands will be
active as 9U4U from Bujumbura, Burundi on 14-23 February. They
plan to run four stations with amplifiers on 160-10 metres SSB, CW
and RTTY, with at least one station focusing on 160 and 180 metres
every night. QSL via M0URX, direct or bureau (OQRS for both
options at www.m0urx.com), and LoTW "at the earliest opportunity".
The website for the expedition is at www.9u4u.be
9X - Carl, SM6CPY will be active holiday style as 9X0PY from Rwanda on
15-31 January. He will operate mainly CW on various bands,
depending on antenna possibilities. QSL via home call, direct or
bureau. [TNX DX World]
A3 - Werner, DJ9KH will be active as A31WH/p from Vava'u Island
(OC-064) from 20 February to 3 March. Prior to that, he will be
QRV as A31WH from Tongatapu (OC-049). QSL via home call, direct or
bureau. [TNX rsgbiota.org]
DL - Special station DL50FRANCE will be active until the end of the
year, to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Elysee Treaty, the
Treaty of Friendship that set the seal on reconciliation between
France and Germany. QSL via DK8VR. [TNX DX Newsletter]
FY - Christian, F5UII (www.f5uii.net) will be active in his spare time
as FY/F5UII from Kourou, French Guiana on 13-30 January. He will
operate SSB only from the FY5KE radio club's premises, typically
on weekdays before 12 UTC and after 22 UTC. He also plans to spend
a weekend on Ile Royale (SA-020), and operate SSB with 100 watts
on 40, 20, 17, 15 and 10 metres. QSL via home call, direct or
bureau. Follow him on Twitter (@f5uii) for updates. [TNX F5UII]
HR - Gerard, F2JD will be active as HR5/F2JD from Copan, Honduras for
three months starting around 25 February. He will operate CW, SSB
and RTTY on the HF bands. QSL via F6AJA and logsearch at
http://lesnouvellesdx.fr/voirlogs.php [TNX F6AJA and Les Nouvelles
DX]
KP4 - Special event callsign N4D will be active on 11-25 January for the
ARRL Puerto Rico State Convention (www.arrlpr.org). QSL via
WP4CRG. During the convention, on 26-27 January, look for the the
official ARRL amateur radio station to be QRV as W1AW/KP4.
OE - A number of OE2013 prefixed callsigns will be in use between 15

January and 18 February to celebrate the FIS Alpine World Ski Championships that will take place in Schladming, Austria. Information on the relevant award can be found at http://wmdiplom2013.oevsv.at/
ST - Sam, K0YAK (ex 9N7AK) is now in Khartoum, Sudan, and will be active as ST2SF beginning in late January and continuing through at least mid-April. His licence includes full HF privileges, but is limited to 100w. He plans to be QRV on 40-10 metres (perhaps also 80 and 6m) SSB, CW and digital modes. QSL via LoTW or K0YAK.
T8 - Mike JA6EGL (T88SM), Yas JA6UBY (T88CP) and Yu JE6DND (T88HK) will be active from Koror (OC-009), Palau on 9-14 January. They will operate CW and SSB on 80-10 metres. QSL direct to home calls. [TNX DX World]
VK9L - Look for JA3ARJ/VK9 (QSL via JA3ARJ), JA3BZO/VK9 (QSL via JA3BZO), JA3HJI/VK9 (QSL via JA3HJI), AE6XY/VK9 (QSL via JA1CJA), W7AVO/VK9 (QSL via JA3AVO) and W7PBL/VK9 (QSL via JH3PBL) to be active from Lord Howe Island (OC-004) on 11-18 January. It will be a "DX vacation" with planned activity on 80-6 metres CW, SSB and digital modes. [TNX DX World]
VK9N - Lee, VK3GK will be active as VK3GK/9 from Norfolk Island (OC-005) on 11-15 January. He will operate holiday style on 80-10 metres SSB, with some CW. QSL via home call. [TNX DX World]
W - Dennis, WA2USA will be active as WA2USA/4 from St. George Island (NA-085) between 20 January and 27 February. He will operate mainly CW on 30, 20 and 15 metres, with some SSB on 40 and 20 metres. He will also participate on all bands in the ARRL International DX CW Contest (16-17 February) and the NAQP RTTY Contest (23-24 February). QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX rsgbiota.org]

IOTA TOUR ---> Vincent, F4BKV and Col, MM0NDX will be active from nine IOTA island groups (EU-029, EU-128, EU-057, EU-129, EU-132, EU-042, EU-125, EU-172 and EU-171) in Denmark (OZ/F4BKV & OZ/MM0NDX), Germany (DL/F4BKV & DL/MM0NDX) and Poland (SP/F4BKV & SP/MM0NDX) between 10 and 13 January. They plan to operate SSB on 40, 20, 17 and 15 metres. When active in Denmark they might use a special call. Find their planned itinerary and follow their progress on Twitter (@IOTA_Trip). Bureau QSLs via home calls; direct cards for both via F4BKV (OQRS on www.f4bkv.net). [TNX MM0NDX]

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** GOOD TO KNOW ... ****
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CQ MM DX CONTEST ---> The results of the CQ Manchester Mineira DX Contest 2012 are now available at www.cqmmdx.com. This year's event will be held on 20-21 April. [TNX PY4WAS]

DAYTON CONTEST DINNER ---> The 21st Annual Dayton Contest Dinner will be held on 18 May at the Crowne Plaza Hotel. Tickets are available exclusively on http://contestdinner.com

DX DINNER ---> The Southwest Ohio DX Association (SWODXA) is pleased to again sponsor the DX Dinner, to be held in conjunction with the 2013 Dayton Hamvention on Friday, 17 May at the Dayton Marriott Hotel. Details can be found on the SWODXA Events website (www.swodxaevents.org) and updates will be sent out regularly via Twitter (@SWODXA). [TNX W8GEX]

IDXC 2013 ---> Registration is now open for the 64th International DX Convention, to be held at the Visalia Conference Center in Visalia (CA), on 19-21 April. Complete details can be found at www.dxconvention.com

IOTA BASH ---> The 9th annual IOTA Bash will be held on 1-2 March in Boerne, Texas, about 20 miles northwest of San Antonio. The agenda will include presentations on some of the most recent IOTA expeditions and a nice social programme. Details and registration form are available on the IREF website (www.islandradio.org). [TNX AD5A]

IOTA NEWS ---> "Following receipt of new information the IOTA Manager has decided to put on hold acceptance of 7T50I/P cards for Agueli Island AF-097. None will be accepted during the January update period. A final decision will not be taken before February" [TNX G3KMA]

POSTAL RATES (FRANCE) ---> French postal rates for standard letter items (up to 20g) have increased since 1 January:
0.80 EUR European Union plus HB9, HB0, T7 and HV
0.95 EUR rest of the world

QSL G100RSGB ---> An online "Am I in the log" facility and detailed information on the QSL service for G100RSGB, GD100RSGB and the other Gx100RSGB stations, Celebrating the Radio Society of Great Britain's centenary [425DXN 1130], can be found at www.rsgb.org/centenary (click on "RSGB Centenary Special Event Station Log and QSL Management" on the right).

QSL VIA N2ZN ---> With immediate effect, N2ZN is the QSL manager for all of WJ2O's DXpeditions - they are listed at www.wj2o.com (with logsearch). QSL direct (Kenneth J. Boasi, 5018 Ontario Center Rd, Walworth NY 14568, USA) or bureau.

TOP LISTS ---> The latest Topband, Topmode and Toplist listings are now available at http://www.425dxn.org/awards/toplist/index.html. QSOs confirmed through LoTW or included in on-line logs are eligible for listing. Send your scores, as well as any request for further information, to Luciano Lucini, IK2QPO (ik2qpo[@]425dxn.org).

QSLs received direct or through managers: 1A0C, 2O12L, 3B9SP, 3D2C, 3W2BB, 4L1MA, 4O7VB, 5R8IC, 5U5U, 5X1NH, 5Z4EE, 7O6T, 7T50I/p (AF-094), 7X4AN, 7Z7AB (AS-190), 9A8VB, 9M6NA, A31MA, AA4VK/CY0, AH0/N0AT, AH0I, C50C, C5A, C6AXY, CP4DR, CU1ARM, CU2ARA, CU3URA, CU4ARG, CU5AM, CU6GRP, CU9AC, D2QV, D64K, DU1GM, E40VB, E51AIU, E51AND, E51TLA, EL2A, EL2DT, EL2ES, EL2LF,

EL2MF, EL2WE, ES5Q, EW7LO, FK8HZ, H44RK, H44USMC, HC2/KF6ZWD, HC2AC, HT9H, JW7QIA, JW7XM, JX5O, JY8VB, KH8/N6XT, KL7RRC/p, LX1NO, MS0WRC (EU-010), NH8S, OA7/DF7NX, OJ0R, P29FR, P29NI (OC-069), P29VCX (OC-025, OC-103, OC-135, OC-240), P29VPB (OC-069), P29ZAD, PJ4/KU8E, PJ7I, RI1FJ, S01MZ, S79NU, SU9VB, T30PY, T6LG, T6MO, TT8TT, V31MW, V31NO, V5/DF2UU, V63PR, V85SS, VK9/OH1VR, VP2ETE, VP2MDD, VP2MGZ, VP2MYL, WA4DAN/CY0,WH0/K0BBC, YI1RZ, YJ0AFU, Z60K, Z81D, ZC4LI, ZL7A.

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20286. 425 DX Calendar - #1131

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
******* CALENDAR *******
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20287. ARLP001 Propagation de K7RA

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Topic: 8562 Message: 20287

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ARLP001 Propagation de K7RA

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QST de W1AW
Propagation Forecast Bulletin 1 ARLP001
>From Tad Cook, K7RA
Seattle, WA January 4, 2013
To all radio amateurs

SB PROP ARL ARLP001
ARLP001 Propagation de K7RA

The New Year brings dreams of solar cycles of old, so distant now, sweetly remembered for their profusion of sunspots. We hear many times from operators who began in the amateur radio service as teenagers at the peak of Cycle 19. With youthful optimism, they naturally assumed that radio propagation would always be like that, when a few watts and a modest radiator on 10 meters spanned the globe during all the days and nights.

If you were age 13 to 17 in 1957 to 1959, the peak of Cycle 19, perhaps you were born between 1941 and 1945, and probably looked forward to the next peak in activity. That may have been a disappointment when Cycle 20 peaked around 1969, as that had a somewhat broader peak but at a far lower level. You can see it graphically at http://wm7d.net/hamradio/solar/historical.shtml. These young adults, now 24 to 28 years old in 1969, might be busy starting families and careers, and no doubt fondly recalling simpler times and the tremendous propagation of their younger years.

Cycle 21 peaked around 1980, and the former teenaged ham of Cycle 19 was now 35 to 39 years old. This was quite an improvement over the last cycle, as was Cycle 22, which looked like an echo of Cycle 21. Cycle 22 peaked around 1991-1992, with a more pronounced double-peak. The former teenager was now 47 to 51 years old, solidly into middle-age, and still wondering if sunspot activity would ever roar back to the levels of the late-1950s.

The following cycle, number 23, was another double-peak, but significantly lower in 2000 to 2002 than the previous cycle. Perhaps another disappointment for the now 56 to 60 year old ham, who then sees solar activity slide into a long and low minimum over the next decade, impossible to imagine 60 years earlier. The 160 meter operators, quite happy in this situation with a much quieter Sun, have no such longing for the active Sun of yesteryear.

Now the young ham of the late 1950s contemplates the peak of Cycle 24, apparently much lower than any seen in most of the past century, and expected to grow to maximum this year. Now we have many more tools to observe and measure both solar activity and propagation, and we know that activity could still increase significantly. Some foresee decades of lower activity, but of course predicting future solar activity is a very tricky proposition, and anything could happen.

At
http://www.solen.info/solar/images/comparison_recent_cycles.png
you can see a comparison of recent cycles, from 21 to the current 24.

While we've seen a number of papers and predictions for a series of quieter sunspot cycles, some disagree. For instance, Michael Proctor, professor of Astrophysical Fluid Dynamics at Cambridge University is not convinced. He was quoted this year as saying, "This present cycle is similar to the weak one that ended in 1913, and that was followed by a strong cycle."

Those were Cycles 14 and 15, and Cycle 15 was only strong relative to 14. Cycles 17, 18 and 19 were stronger than 15, and so were 21, 22 and 23.

It is also important to remember there is wild variability in solar activity. To make those graphs of sunspot numbers appear smooth, each point on the graph actually represents an average of a year of data. When averaged, the flurry of solar activity at the end of 2011 and some future activity in 2013 could appear as a broad peak on a graph.

NASA looks frequently at their predictions for the current cycle, and often adjusts them every month. The latest shows a smoothed sunspot number a bit lower than the forecast from several weeks ago. In the December 10 forecast they predicted a smoothed sunspot number of 72 in the late in 2013, but that number is now 69 in the January 2 release. Note these are the lower international sunspot numbers, which are always less than Boulder numbers presented in this bulletin. Read the report at
http://solarscience.msfc.nasa.gov/predict.shtml.

With the change from 2012 to 2013, now is a good time to review sunspot numbers and trends. Average daily sunspot numbers in 2013 were up substantially from 2012. From 2004 through 2012 the yearly progression was 68.6, 48.9, 26.1, 12.8, 4.7, 5.1, 25.5, 29.9 and 82.3. I took all the daily sunspot numbers for 2012, added them together, and the sum was 30,133. Divide that by 366 (the number of days in 2012, a leap year) and the result is approximately 82.3. In 2011 it was 10,913 divided by 365, yielding 29.9.

The 2012 average was higher than any year after 2003. But at the peak of Cycle 23, the averages from 1998 to 2003 were all higher:

88.7, 136.3, 173, 170.3, 176.7, and 109.2. It seems unlikely that average daily sunspot numbers this year will reach anywhere near the level of 2000-2002.

We observe a moving 3-month average of sunspot numbers, in an attempt to smooth out some of the variations. Unfortunately, the past three months were much lower then the three month period ending one month earlier. The current average of 74.4, centered on November 2012, is lower than any three month period since averages centered on February and March of 2012.

The 3 month period previous to the current one is centered on October 2012, and covers September through November. The average then was 82.3. To recap averages from previous bulletins, the three-month moving averages of daily sunspot numbers centered on July 2011 through November 2012 were 63, 79.6, 98.6, 118.8, 118.6, 110, 83.3, 73.7, 71.2, 87.3, 91.5, 96.5, 91.9, 89.9, 81.2, 82.3, and 74.4.

Looking at the past week, yesterday we saw a sizable gain in solar flux, when the value went from 106.7, 113.6, 117.8, and 119 to 128.8, on December 30 through January 3. NOAA and USAF predict solar flux at 130 on January 4-6, 125 and 120 on January 7-8, 115 on January 9-10, 110 on January 11, 105 on January 12-13, 110 on January 14-17, 115 on January 18-20, and 120 on January 21-23.

Predicted planetary A index is 5 on January 4-12, 10 on January 13, 5 on January 14-25 and 8 on January 26.

F.K. Janda, OK1HH issues a weekly geomagnetic forecast. This week he says geomagnetic conditions will be quiet January 4, quiet to active January 5, mostly quite January 6, quiet January 7-9, quiet to unsettled January 10-12, active to disturbed January 13, quiet to unsettled January 14-16, quiet January 17-19, mostly quiet January 20-21, and quiet on January 22-26.

If you would like to make a comment or have a tip for our readers, email the author at, k7ra@....

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service web page at http://arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals. For an explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin, see http://arrl.org/the-sun-the-earth-the-ionosphere. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at http://arrl.org/w1aw-bulletins-archive-propagation. Find more good information and tutorials on propagation at http://myplace.frontier.com/~k9la/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://arrl.org/propagation.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of ARRL bulletins are at http://arrl.org/bulletins.

Sunspot numbers for December 27 through January 2 were 78, 54, 49, 37, 87, 99, and 90, with a mean of 70.6. 10.7 cm flux was 106.8, 105.8, 104.3, 106.7, 113.6, 117.8, and 119, with a mean of 110.6. Estimated planetary A indices were 1, 2, 3, 4, 2, 1, and 3, with a mean of 2.3. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 0, 2, 3, 4, 1, 1, and 2, with a mean of 1.9.
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20288. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-05 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 20288

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:Issued: 2013 Jan 05 1259 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30105
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 05 Jan 2013, 1251UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 05 Jan 2013 until 07 Jan 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >= 50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 05 Jan 2013 10CM FLUX: 140 / AP: 001
PREDICTIONS FOR 06 Jan 2013 10CM FLUX: 142 / AP: 010
PREDICTIONS FOR 07 Jan 2013 10CM FLUX: 144 / AP: 007
COMMENT: An M1.7 flare was observed at 09:31 UT, it originated at an
active region at the east limb that will rotate into view today. NOAA
ARs 1640 and 1650 produced C-class flares. Activity at the C level is
expected and probably more M-class events. Geomagnetic conditions are
quiet. The effect of a small coronal hole is expected to be seen at the
Earth between 24 and 48 hours, increasing geomagnetic conditions
(probably up to active levels).

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 101, BASED ON 04 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 4 Jan 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 143
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 004
AK WINGST : 002
ESTIMATED AP : 001
ESTIMATED ISN : 112, BASED ON 14 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
END
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20289. V63PR

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-06 12:44:48 UTC
From: oz4vw2006
Topic: 20289 Message: 20289

Happy NewYear to all in group

Have anyone here seen QSL from V63PN last year

JJ8DEN is manager
Have anyone a working E-mail for him

Wishes
Arne // OZ4VW

20290. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-06 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 20290

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:Issued: 2013 Jan 06 1248 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30106
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 06 Jan 2013, 1237UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 06 Jan 2013 until 08 Jan 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >= 50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Warning condition
PREDICTIONS FOR 06 Jan 2013 10CM FLUX: 145 / AP: 005
PREDICTIONS FOR 07 Jan 2013 10CM FLUX: 143 / AP: 010
PREDICTIONS FOR 08 Jan 2013 10CM FLUX: 145 / AP: 007
COMMENT: Several C-flares occurred in the past 24 hours. The strongest
one was a C3 from NOAA AR 1653 peaking at 03:03 UT. Other flaring
regions are 1652, 1650 and 1645. These last two have a beta magnetic
configuration, while 1652 and 1653 are still not visible completely
(rotating into view from the east limb). NOAA AR 1640 remains the most
complex AR, as it's still slowly growing in size and keeps its
beta-gamma-delta configuration, this region is approaching the west limb
but can still produce M-class flares. Geomagnetic conditions have been
quiet. Unsettled to (isolated) active levels can be expected in the next
24h with the arrival of a fast speed stream from a small coronal hole.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 108, BASED ON 03 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 5 Jan 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 145
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 004
AK WINGST : 001
ESTIMATED AP : 001
ESTIMATED ISN : 111, BASED ON 10 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
05 0926 0931 0934 M1.7 1652
END
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20291. Report SIDC Ursigram

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From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 20291

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:Issued: 2013 Jan 07 1251 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30107
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 07 Jan 2013, 1226UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 07 Jan 2013 until 09 Jan 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >= 50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Warning condition
PREDICTIONS FOR 07 Jan 2013 10CM FLUX: 144 / AP: 001
PREDICTIONS FOR 08 Jan 2013 10CM FLUX: 146 / AP: 001
PREDICTIONS FOR 09 Jan 2013 10CM FLUX: 146 / AP: 001
COMMENT: Solar activity is expected to reach eruptive levels with C
class flares likely, especially from NOAA ARs 1640, 1650, 1652 and 1653.
A C3.1 flare occurred today at 0852 UT (peak time) in NOAA AR 1640. A
partial halo CME was observed on LASCO C2, around 0412 UT on Jan. 7, on
the east limb. There is currently no clear evidence that the source of
this event is located on the visible disk. Geomagnetic activity is
expected to be quiet for the next 48 hours.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 098, BASED ON 05 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 6 Jan 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 142
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 006
AK WINGST : 003
ESTIMATED AP : 003
ESTIMATED ISN : 108, BASED ON 07 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
END
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20292. Still no propagation

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-07 16:17:04 UTC
From: John G.
Topic: 20292 Message: 20292

To follow up on a message from a couple of months ago. Right now the solar flux is 143, the SSN is 186 and the K index is 1. Should be great conditions but where are they? 15 is open weakly to EU (as it was yesterday in the RTTY RU), 12 has no signals, haven't even checked 10 since 12 is closed. Didn't work a single EU on 20m yesterday afternoon in the contest.

So what the heck is going on?

73 John AF5CC

20293. Re: [DX-IS] Still no propagation

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-07 17:39:58 UTC
From: iain macdonnell - N6ML
Topic: 20292 Message: 20293

On Mon, Jan 7, 2013 at 8:17 AM, John G. <af5cc@...> wrote:
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> To follow up on a message from a couple of months ago. Right now the solar
> flux is 143, the SSN is 186 and the K index is 1. Should be great conditions
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It's the middle of winter! We've had some great LP openings on
10/12/15m into the middle-east in the mornings for the last week or
so. It's the middle of summer in the southern hemisphere....

73,

~iain / N6ML

20294. RE: [DX-IS] Still no propagation

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-07 17:48:54 UTC
From: ve1al@eastlink.ca
Topic: 20292 Message: 20294

To be accurate, winter is just 17 days old today. The middle of winter is in mid-February. But, Iain, I concur about conditions. Even up here in the not so frozen northeast, morning conditions have been interesting. As the sun rises during the day things go downhill. So by 1500Z there's not much above 20M and for that matter, not a lot on 20 either. Both 30 and 40 have proven interesting just before and after sunset.

I often wonder how Marconi made his first contact with the west coast of Europe on Dec. 12, 1902 from Glace Bay, NS -- just 20 miles east of me.

73

Al, VE1AL

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of iain macdonnell - N6ML
Sent: Monday, January 07, 2013 1:40 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Still no propagation

On Mon, Jan 7, 2013 at 8:17 AM, John G. <af5cc@...> wrote:
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~iain / N6ML

Yahoo! Groups Links

20295. Propagation

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-07 17:57:17 UTC
From: Thomas
Topic: 20295 Message: 20295

Disappointing condx to say the least! 10 meters was open to EU during the week at 1600Z here in the U.P. During the RTTY RU, I only worked three stations. No USA just HI, KP4, and CO. I worked 33 stations on 10 last year, with a lower SFI.

20 meters to EU fair. JA openings in the evening so-so. With my 4 element SteppIR at 72 feet and 1000 watts, I usually have a nice run on 20 and 15 to JA. This past weekend just a few in the log.

Also, 40 meter openings to Europe were worse than last year. Overall,I made 100 fewer contacts on 40 than 2012.

80 meters was at least quiet. Not much QRN or QRM.

Will 10 and 15 ever be as "hot" as during the 2000-2002 period? I'm beginning to doubt it.

73 es GUD DX,

Tom W8JWN

20296. Re: [DX-IS] Still no propagation

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-07 19:05:47 UTC
From: GARY HUBER
Topic: 20292 Message: 20296

See http://wsprnet.org/drupal/wsprnet/map enter a band (All or 20M may lock up your computer if you leave the Call blank and 12 or 24 hours) leave the call blank and select 6 or 12 or less hours, then click on update to see 5 W or less signals reported. A good real time indicator of propagation. My FLEX-1500 and HV-2 received and the spotted JA and VK stations on 40M at my grayline Saturday morning. 10 meters has been open over the past 30 minutes from the Midwest to South America. 15M has been open over the same period only between Germany and South Africa, while 20M is open between the US and Western Europe.

73 ES DX,
Gary -- AB9M

From: iain macdonnell - N6ML
Sent: Monday, January 07, 2013 11:39 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Still no propagation

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73,

~iain / N6ML

20297. Re: [DX-IS] Still no propagation

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-07 19:22:15 UTC
From: John G.
Topic: 20292 Message: 20297

Now I remember the reason for the poor conditions-I am off work until Wednesday.

John AF5CC

----- Original Message -----
From: GARY HUBER
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Cc: CIDXCA
Sent: Monday, January 07, 2013 7:05 PM
Subject: [SPAM]Re: [DX-IS] Still no propagation

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Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Still no propagation

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~iain / N6ML

20298. Re: Re: [DX-IS] Still no propagation

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-07 20:59:06 UTC
From: Ron Notarius W3WN
Topic: 20292 Message: 20298

In other words, it's all John's fault.
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Works for me!
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73, ron w3wn

On 01/07/13, John G. wrote:

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John AF5CC

----- Original Message -----

From:
GARY HUBER

To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com

Cc: CIDXCA

Sent: Monday, January 07, 2013 7:05
PM

Subject: [SPAM]Re: [DX-IS] Still no
propagation

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Gary -- AB9M

From: iain
macdonnell - N6ML

Sent: Monday, January 07, 2013 11:39 AM

To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com

Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Still no propagation

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73,

~iain / N6ML

20299. RE: Re: [DX-IS] Still no propagation

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-07 21:05:31 UTC
From: ve1al@eastlink.ca
Topic: 20292 Message: 20299

Hmmmm. Does this mean when John goes back to work on Wednesday that conditions will improve? I can work with that. Sorry, John, you lose. Ron and I will scoop all the good DX headed our way while you work your fingers to the bone.

73

Al, VE1AL

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Ron Notarius W3WN
Sent: Monday, January 07, 2013 4:59 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: Re: [DX-IS] Still no propagation

In other words, it's all John's fault.

Works for me!

73, ron w3wn

On 01/07/13, John G. wrote:

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am off work until Wednesday.

John AF5CC

----- Original Message -----

From:
GARY HUBER <mailto:glhuber@...>

To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com

Cc: CIDXCA <mailto:cidxca@...>

Sent: Monday, January 07, 2013 7:05
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Subject: [SPAM]Re: [DX-IS] Still no
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73 ES
DX,
Gary -- AB9M

From: iain <mailto:ar@...>
macdonnell - N6ML

Sent: Monday, January 07, 2013 11:39 AM

To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com

Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Still no propagation

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73,

~iain / N6ML

20300. LoTW Queue Moving Again

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-07 22:14:03 UTC
From: ve7tk
Topic: 20300 Message: 20300

According to LoTW site:

"Jan 7, 2013: Log Processing Running Again -- Additional capacity and processing power will be brought online today."

At 2200 UTC they have processed almost 24 hours worth of logs in 6 or 7 hours!

73, Rick
VE7TK

20301. RE: [DX-IS] LoTW Queue Moving Again

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-07 22:18:21 UTC
From: ve1al@eastlink.ca
Topic: 20300 Message: 20301

I uploaded 111 QSOs on Jan 3. Will I see them before March?

73

Al, VE1AL

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of ve7tk
Sent: Monday, January 07, 2013 6:14 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] LoTW Queue Moving Again

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73, Rick
VE7TK

Yahoo! Groups Links

20302. RE: [DX-IS] LoTW Queue Moving Again

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-07 22:27:14 UTC
From: Arne Fast
Topic: 20300 Message: 20302

Hey

It look like the speed is going up

So Al maybe in few days

Arne OZ4VW

20303. Re: [DX-IS] LoTW Queue Moving Again

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-07 22:29:52 UTC
From: donhall161
Topic: 20300 Message: 20303

The wonders of new hardware!!!

73 Don K5AQ

20304. Re: LoTW Queue Moving Again

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-07 22:48:14 UTC
From: ve7tk
Topic: 20300 Message: 20304

It's time to look at your glass as half full instead of half empty Al! I believe they are making good progress.

73, Rick
VE7TK

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, ve1al@... wrote:
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20305. Re: [SPAM]Re: Re: [DX-IS] Still no propagation

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-08 01:37:24 UTC
From: John G.
Topic: 20305 Message: 20305

That's funny, they usually say the same thing at work!

John AF5CC

----- Original Message -----
From: Ron Notarius W3WN
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, January 07, 2013 8:59 PM
Subject: [SPAM]Re: Re: [DX-IS] Still no propagation

In other words, it's all John's fault.

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73, ron w3wn

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Cc: CIDXCA

Sent: Monday, January 07, 2013 7:05
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Subject: [SPAM]Re: [DX-IS] Still no
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From: iain
macdonnell - N6ML

Sent: Monday, January 07, 2013 11:39 AM

To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com

Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Still no propagation

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~iain / N6ML

20306. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-08 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 20306

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:Issued: 2013 Jan 08 1223 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30108
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 08 Jan 2013, 1155UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 08 Jan 2013 until 10 Jan 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >= 50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 08 Jan 2013 10CM FLUX: 158 / AP: 001
PREDICTIONS FOR 09 Jan 2013 10CM FLUX: 160 / AP: 001
PREDICTIONS FOR 10 Jan 2013 10CM FLUX: 162 / AP: 001
COMMENT: Solar activity is expected to reach eruptive levels, with C
class flares likely. There is a risk for a M class flare from NOAA AR
1652. Geomagnetic activity is expected to be very quiet for the next 48
hours.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 108, BASED ON 02 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 7 Jan 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 150
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 004
AK WINGST : 002
ESTIMATED AP : 001
ESTIMATED ISN : 099, BASED ON 12 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
END
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20307. Condx now improving

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-08 15:21:40 UTC
From: John G.
Topic: 20307 Message: 20307

The propagation fairy must have been confused and thought it was Wednesday and I was back at work. Just caught VU2NKS on 12m RTTY. Never heard zone 22 on 12 meters before! Bring it on sunspots!

73 John AF5CC

20308. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-09 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 20308

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:Issued: 2013 Jan 09 1201 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30109
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 09 Jan 2013, 1152UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 09 Jan 2013 until 11 Jan 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >= 50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 09 Jan 2013 10CM FLUX: 162 / AP: 001
PREDICTIONS FOR 10 Jan 2013 10CM FLUX: 166 / AP: 001
PREDICTIONS FOR 11 Jan 2013 10CM FLUX: 169 / AP: 004
COMMENT: Solar activity is expected to stay at eruptive levels with C
class flares likely from NOAA AR 1652 and 1654, which is beginning its
transit on the disk. There is a small risk of an isolated M flare from
NOAA AR 1652. Geomagnetic activity is expected to be mostly quiet for
the next 48 hours.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 107, BASED ON 02 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 8 Jan 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 156
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 010
AK WINGST : 006
ESTIMATED AP : 004
ESTIMATED ISN : 105, BASED ON 09 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
END
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20309. Most Wanted Survey

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-09 15:00:36 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 20309 Message: 20309

I was just perusing the DX Pub. Most Wanted Survey:

http://www.dxpub.net/MOST-WANTED-SURVEY.html

I guess it's reassuring that I haven't worked only two in the top ten - P5 and 3Y/B. The others I need are way down the list - EP, YA, Z8. I guess just about everyone worked South Sudan but me? One more that I need, A9, wasn't even on the list.
:-)

73, Zack W9SZ

20310. Re: [SPAM][DX-IS] Most Wanted Survey

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-09 15:23:43 UTC
From: John G.
Topic: 20310 Message: 20310

Obviously ZL9 and PT0S will be falling soon given the recent DXpedtiions. Looks like we need some activations in the Southern Indian Ocean. What is even more amazing is that I have 2 of the top 10-KP1 and FR/T with my little pea shooter station.
Have even worked both of those entities twice.

73 John AF5CC

----- Original Message -----
From: Zack Widup
To: DX List
Sent: Wednesday, January 09, 2013 3:00 PM
Subject: [SPAM][DX-IS] Most Wanted Survey

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http://www.dxpub.net/MOST-WANTED-SURVEY.html

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73, Zack W9SZ

20311. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-10 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 20311

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:Issued: 2013 Jan 10 1320 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30110
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 10 Jan 2013, 1313UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 10 Jan 2013 until 12 Jan 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Active (M-class flares expected, probability >= 50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 10 Jan 2013 10CM FLUX: 168 / AP: 002
PREDICTIONS FOR 11 Jan 2013 10CM FLUX: 172 / AP: 001
PREDICTIONS FOR 12 Jan 2013 10CM FLUX: 174 / AP: 005
COMMENT: We expect solar activity to rise from eruptive to active
levels with M class flares likely from NOAA AR 1654, and C class flares
possible from NOAA ARs 1650 and 1652. Geomagnetic conditions are
currently quiet and are expected to remain so for the next 48 hours.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 102, BASED ON 05 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 9 Jan 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 195
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 169
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 005
AK WINGST : 003
ESTIMATED AP : 002
ESTIMATED ISN : 107, BASED ON 04 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
END
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20312. ARLD002 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-11 01:28:45 UTC
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Topic: 8892 Message: 20312

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>From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT January 10, 2013
To all radio amateurs

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RWANDA, 9X. Carl, SM6CPY plans to be QRV as 9X0PY from January 15 to 31. Activity will be holiday style using mainly CW on the HF bands. QSL to home call.

BAHAMAS, C6. Rick, K6VVA is QRV as C6AVA from Bimini Island, IOTA NA-0148, until January 14. Activity is on the HF bands using CW. This includes a possible entry in the North American CQ QSO Party. QSL via N6AWD.

FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY, DA. Special event station DB100AWPB is QRV to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the "Ausbesserungswerk Paderborn" of the German Railway. QSL via DO6NIK.

MINAMI TORISHIMA, JD1. Take, JG8NQJ will be QRV as JG8NQJ/JD1 beginning January 15 until the middle of April while on work assignment. Activity will be in his spare time. QSL to home call.

PUERTO RICO, KP4. Members of the Caribbean Amateur Radio Group are QRV using special call N4D until January 25 on the occasion of the ARRL Puerto Rico State Convention which occurs the end of the month. QSL via WP4CRG.

AUSTRIA, OE. Austrian stations have the option of using the special prefix OE2013 from January 15 to February 18 to commemorate the Ski World Cup in Schladming. QSL via operators instructions.

FERNANDO DE NORONHA, PY0F. Leo, PP1CZ is on vacation on Fernando de Noronha, IOTA SA-003, from January 15 to 21. He will be QRV as PY0F/PP1CZ. Activity will be in his free time using CW, SSB and

RTTY on the HF bands, with a focus on 160 and 80 meters using only CW. QSL to home call.

POLAND, SP. Janusz, SP9YI will be QRV with special event call sign HF0A from January 15 to February 28 to celebrate the 10th Arctic Activity Week. QSL to home call.

PALAU, T8. Mike, JA6EGL, Yas, JA6UBY and Yu, JE6DND are QRV as T88SM, T88CP and T88HK respectively, from Koror Island, IOTA OC-009, until January 14. Activity is on 80 to 10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL direct to home calls.

BELIZE, V3. Gerd, DJ4KW is QRV as V31YN until January 24. Activity is on 160 to 10 meters. QSL to home call.

LORD HOWE ISLAND, VK9L. Operators JA3ARJ, JA3BZO, JA3HJI, AE6XY, W7AVO and W7PBL are QRV as home calls /VK9L until January 18. Activity is on 80 to 6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via operators' instructions.

NORFOLK ISLAND, VK9N. Lee, VK3GK is QRV as VK3GK/9 until January 15. Activity is in his spare time on 80 to 10 meters using SSB and some CW. QSL to home call.

VIET NAM, XV. Sei, JA7LU and Hiroo, JA2VWG will be QRV as XV4LU and XV4DD, respectively, from Phu Quoc Island, IOTA AS-128, from January 12 to 16. Activity will be on 40 to 10 meters using SSB and RTTY. QSL direct to home calls.

EL SALVADOR, YS. Roberto, I2JIN is QRV as YS3CW from Corinth until January 31. Activity is on 80 to 10 meters using mainly CW. QSL to home call.

CAYMAN ISLANDS, ZF. Pet, K8PGJ will be QRV as ZF2PG from Grand Cayman from January 12 to 20. Activity will be holiday style on 20 to 10 meters using mainly SSB. This includes an entry in the upcoming North American SSB QSO Party. QSL to home call.

OPERATION APPROVED FOR DXCC CREDIT. The following operation is approved for DXCC Credit: Conway Reef, 3D2C, 2012 operation. If you had cards previously rejected for this operation please send an email to bmoore@... to be put on a list for an update.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The QRP CW Fox Hunt, NCCC CW Sprint Ladder, Old New Year Contest, SKCC Weekend CW Sprintathon, MI QRP January CW Contest, UK DX BPSK63 Contest, WW PMC Contest, North American CW QSO Party, DARC 10-Meter Contest and the NRAU-Baltic CW and SSB Contest are all on tap for this upcoming weekend. The NAQCC-EU Monthly CW Sprint is scheduled for January 14. The AWA Linc Cundall Memorial CW Contest and QRP CW Fox Hunt are scheduled for January 16. Please see January 2013 QST, page 87, and the ARRL and WA7BNM Contest websites for details.
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20313. Italian postage raise

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-11 05:02:25 UTC
From: DO1DXX
Topic: 20313 Message: 20313

Hi all,

just want to spread out this info - tnx Gianni!

Andy - DO1DXX

HI Folks,
Just to inform DXers and Chasers of the new postal rate in force since 01.Jan.2013 in Italy.
Within Italy the rate goes from 0.60 to 0.70 Cents, within Europe, from 0.75 to 0.85 Cents.
From Italy to North & South America, Africa & Asia, the rate goes from 1,60 euro to 2.00 euro.
From Italy to Australia & Oceania from 2.00 Euro to 2,50 euro.
The USD is trading in Italy to the value of 1 ? = 1.3056 $ or 1 $ = 0.7659 ?; that means are necessary 3 USD to cover postal expense to deliver a letter to North & South America , Africa & Asia and 4 USD to Australia & Oceania.
It's embarrassing to say that, but this is unfortunately, the situation that affects not only this Country but I think, the entire globe.
As QSL manager of quite a few different foreign callsigns, I am therefore sorry to say that if there isn't a sufficient postal coverage, I can't deliver your QSL cards direct, nor put them in the bureau as for that, I should pay an extra costs (ARI ask about 35 USD/year for each different foreign callsign managed through the bureau). I trust, in your understanding, and I suggest eventually to join your friends and send a cumulative requests in one envelope to share the costs.
73
Gianni I1HYW

20314. Re: [DX-IS] Italian postage raise

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-11 06:01:15 UTC
From: Kathy Bookmiller
Topic: 20313 Message: 20314

Or, just use LOTW and hope more groups can share it's resources for their respective awards. Like WPX is currently.

From: DO1DXX <do1dxx@...>
To: DX-QSL@...; dx-is@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Friday, January 11, 2013 12:02 AM
Subject: [DX-IS] Italian postage raise

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20315. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-11 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 20315

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:Issued: 2013 Jan 11 1244 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
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SIDC URSIGRAM 30111
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 11 Jan 2013, 1210UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 11 Jan 2013 until 13 Jan 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Active (M-class flares expected, probability >= 50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Warning condition (activity levels expected to increase, but no numeric
forecast given)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 11 Jan 2013 10CM FLUX: 174 / AP: 001
PREDICTIONS FOR 12 Jan 2013 10CM FLUX: 179 / AP: 001
PREDICTIONS FOR 13 Jan 2013 10CM FLUX: 184 / AP: 001
COMMENT: The main driver of solar activity is likely to be NOAA AR
1654, which has produced several C flares in the past 24 hours, and a
M1.2 flare, today, at 0911 UT (peak time). A metric type II burst was
observed, and a CME was probably associated to it. At the time this
message is prepared, coronagraphic observations do not allow to see if a
CME has indeed occurred. Active conditions (M flare likely) are expected
for the next 48 hours from this region, with a risk of an X class flare.
Geomagnetic conditions might evolve quickly from quiet to active levels
in the coming days if CMEs related to NOAA AR 1654 flares occur; which
justifies issuing a warning condition.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 109, BASED ON 08 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 10 Jan 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 185
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 174
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : ///
AK WINGST : 002
ESTIMATED AP : 002
ESTIMATED ISN : 101, BASED ON 17 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
END
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20316. 425 DX News - #1132

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-11 18:22:26 UTC
From: r_brothers
Topic: 20316 Message: 20316

12 January 2012 A.R.I. DX Bulletin
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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** DX INFORMATION ****
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9M4_spr- John 9M6XRO, Steve 9M6DXX, James 9V1YC, Ben DJ0YI/N6MUF, Don G3BJ, Christian EA3NT and Tony KM0O will be operating as 9M4SLL from Pulau Layang Layang, Spratly Islands (AS-051) on 10-18 March. Activity will be on 160-10 metres CW, SSB and RTTY, using "several stations with linear amplifiers to vertical antennas all within a few metres of the ocean". QSL via M0URX (please use his OQRS for both direct and bureau cards at http://m0urx.com/). Logs will be uploaded to LoTW as soon as possible after the end of the operation. [TNX 9M6DXX]
9M6 - Before joining the 9M4SLL team, Ben DJ0YI will be active as 9M6/N6MUF from Kota Kinabalu, East Malaysia on 1-8 March (QSL via DJ0YI, direct or bureau, and LoTW). [TNX DJ0YI]
C6 - W4BUW (C6AGH), W8GEX (C6DX) W8CAA and AA4NN will be active from Great Exuma (NA-001), Bahamas on 20-27 January. They plan to run three stations on 160-10 metres SSB, CW and RTTY. QSL via home calls.
FR - Pierre, F8APV and Stephane, F8EOI will be active as FR/F8APV and FR/F8EOI from Reunion Island (AF-016) from 21 January to 8 February. They will be QRV on "40 metres and up", with a ficus on 30m CW and 20m SSB. [TNX DX World]
J7 - "The Daily DX" Editor, Bernie McClenny (W3UR) and his father Tony (N3ME) will be active from Dominica (NA-101) in late January-early February. Bernie will operate as J77A (22 January-1 February) and Tony will operate as J76A (22 January-11 February); both will be QRV in their spare time on 160-6 metres CW, SSB and RTTY. The special prefixes are in celebration of the beginning of their Amateur Radio careers (1977 and 1976 respectively). QSL via home calls, direct or bureau, and LoTW. [TNX The Daily DX]
JD1_mt - Take, JG8NQJ will be back to Minami Torishima (OC-073) on 15 January and will remain there until mid-April. He plans to be QRV in his spare time as JG8NQJ/JD1 mainly on 10, 12, 15 and 17 metres CW. QSL via JA8CJY (direct) or JG8NQJ (bureau).
UA_ant - Nick, RW6ACM will be active as as RI1ANP from Russian Antarctic station Progress from 1 February until the end of year. QSL via RN1ON, direct or bureau. [TNX RN1ON]
YS - Roberto, I2JIN will be active again as YS3CW from Corinth, El

Salvador on 11-31 January. He will operate mainly CW on 80-10 metres. QSL via I2JIN, direct or bureau, and LoTW. [TNX DX Coffee]

AFRICAN TOUR ---> Once again Peter, HA3AUI will be active as 6W2SC from Senegal and J5UAP from Guinea-Bissau between approximately 17 January and 10 March. He plans to operate CW on 40-10 metres. Side trips to either 6W and J5 IOTA island groups are being considered. QSL via HA3AUI, direct only. [TNX NG3K]

IOTA TOUR ---> Col, MM0NDX has had to cancel his participation in the 10-13 January IOTA Tour [425DXN 1131] due to a family matter. Vincent, F4BKV is doing the trip solo, with planned activity from nine IOTA island groups (EU-029, EU-128, EU-057, EU-129, EU-132, EU-042, EU-125, EU-172 and EU-171) in Denmark, Germany and Poland. Follow his progress on Twitter (@IOTA_Trip). QSL via F4BKV (OQRS on www.f4bkv.net). [TNX MM0NDX]

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**** GOOD TO KNOW ... ****
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425 DX NEWS MAGAZINE ---> The December 2012 issue is now available for download at www.425dxn.org/monthly/index.html. [TNX IZ3EBA]

CQ DX MARATHON ---> The CQ DX Marathon is a year-long DX hunt, with participants competing to see who can work the greatest number of countries ("entities") and CQ zones during the calendar year. The 2013 edition started at 00.00 UTC on 1 January and will end at 23.59 UTC on 31 December. Complete rules and submission information can be found at www.dxmarathon.com - and do not forget to submit your 2012 scores by 31 January 2013 (next year's deadline will be 10 January 2014). High claimed scores will be published in February and the complete results of the 2012 Marathon will be in the June 2013 issue of CQ Magazine. [TNX K9EL]

CONTEST UNIVERSITY ---> Early bird registration is now open for 2013 Dayton Contest University (CTU) will be held on 16 May at the Crowne Plaza in Dayton, Ohio. It will be the seventh for CTU Dayton. Topics, professors and registration form can be found on http://contestuniversity.com

DX SOUND CLIPS ---> Tom's (K8CX) DX sound clips for 2012 can be found at http://hamgallery.com/dx2012/; the collection of 135 clips covers the major DXpeditions, plus rare and semi-rare DX. This makes 15 full years of sound clips available. There are also some recordings on the site from the 1960s and 1970s. "I am looking for on-the-air recordings in any format to be added to the site", Tom says. Please contact him (k8cx[@]hamgallery.com) if you have any. [TNX K8CX]

DXCC NEWS ---> 3D2C (Conway Reef 2012) has been approved for DXCC credit. If you had cards previously rejected for this operation, please send an e-mail to bmoore[@]arrl.org to be put on the list for an update. [TNX NC1L]

MOST WANTED SURVEY ---> The DX Magazine's annual Most Wanted Survey was conducted in September-October 2012 [425DXN 1114]. The top 20 DXCC Entities are:
1. P5 North Korea 11. PY0S St. Peter & Paul Rocks
2. KP1 Navassa Island 12. KH5K Kingman Reef
3. 3Y Bouvet Island 13. ZL9 Auckland & Campbell Isls
4. FT5Z Amsterdam & St. Paul Isls 14. KH5 Palmyra & Jarvis Isls
5. VK0 Heard Island 15. SV/A Mount Athos
6. FT5W Crozet Isls 16. E3 Eritrea
7. BS7H Scarborough Reef 17. BV9P Pratas
8. VP8 South Sandwich Isls 18. FT5J/E Juan de Nova, Europa Isls
9. ZS8 Marion Island 19. VP8 South Georgia
10. FT5T Tromelin Island 20. KH3 Johnston
The 100 Most Wanted listing, with the results of the 2011 survey for comparison, can be found at http://www.dxpub.net/MOST-WANTED-SURVEY.html. The complete breakdown by continent is published in the January/February 2013 issue of "The DX Magazine"; a breakdown by mode and for 160/80 metres will be published in the March/April 2013 issue.

POSTAL RATES (CANADA) ---> Canadian postal rates will rise again on 14 January. The new base prices for standard letter items up to 30g are as follows:
Canada CAD 0.63
U.S.A. CAD 1.10
International CAD 1.85
Stamps are subject to taxes that can vary from Province to Province. Actual rates can be calculated through the "Find a Rate" on-line service provided by Canada Post (www.canadapost.ca).

+ SILENT KEY + John Dack, W7KH (ex W7GUV) passed away on 7 January at 91 years of age. First licensed in 1938, he sat at the top of DXCC Mixed standings, with 398 entities (340 current and 58 deleted).

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******* QSL ROUTES *******
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CALL MANAGER CALL MANAGER CALL MANAGER
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3A2MG F9JS ER3WFF ER3GS RW17AK R3COM
3V8BB LX1NO ER4DX RA4LW RZ1CWC RW6HS
3Z0WOSP SP5ZRW FM1II NI5DX S505SLG S59DCD
3Z1K SP1KRF FM4LV W3HNK S5300TP S59DAP
3Z5W SP5KP FM5CD F5VU SG0U SM3CXS
4A2I XE2I FM5FJ KU9C SK25VJ SK3VJ
4L1HD DL8KAC FM5WD W3HNK SN0KDD SP3POW
4L5O N3SL HB30OK HB9OCR T88CP JA6UBY
4O7CC UA4CC HF0WOSP SP2KFL T88SM JA6EGL

4S7KKG DC0KK HG7T HA7TM TJ3AY F5LGE
4T4RDP OA4O HL2ZBD/3 JK3IJQ TP2CE F5LGF
5W0W NR6M HS0ZDY SM3CVM UE75VV RW0UM
5X1JM EA5GL HS0ZED G4SQA UN7TK EA7FTR
6W7SK F6BLP HZ1DG/p EA7FTR UN8FE IK2QPR
9H1EU 9H1BT HZ1XB IZ8CLM V26BM M0URX
9K2UU EA5ZD IR7WAP IK7XNF V31ME DJ4EL
A45KK EA7FTR J28AA E77E or K2PF V31YN DJ4KW
A61AS YO3FRI J28NC F5RQQ V55A M0OXO
A62A IZ8CLM J28UC F5RQQ VI6AHR30 VK6IR
A65BD G5LP JD1BMH JG7PSJ VP2EYE K3PIN
A71CM NI5DX JY9ET M0OXO VP2MSW M0URX
A71EM EA7FTR K1GI/VP9 JG2BRI VP9HE W2AF
BM0LF BM2JCC LA190B LA1B W2V N2MUN
BV2013LF BM2JCC LU1ZG LU4DXU WP2NN NN6NN
C6AVA N6AWD LU6W VE3LYC XW1A E21EIC
CE2AWW VE7WY LX4A LX1NO XW4XR E21EIC
CE3EEA EA5GL LZ20TRC LZ1YE YB0MWM IK2DUW
CM5FZ M0OXO LZ60RCP LZ1JZ YN9SU TI4SU
CN2JF F6CTF NP4Z N4AO YP10KQT YO2KQT
CN2OS PD0JOS OE1KIDS OE1XIC YU15OTC YU6A
CW90A CX2ABC OH0R OH2PM Z320C Z32CC
D2ZR AC7DX OU1RAEM DF5LW Z320E Z35T
DB100AWPB DO6NIK P49X W0YK Z320G Z35G
DP0GVN DL5EBE PR2X PY2ADR Z320L Z34M
DU7TET WT3A PT5T K3IRV Z320R Z35F
E79D E77E R400DR RN3DG Z320Y Z37Y
EA9EU EA5KB R70SGG RM4A Z81Z K4ZW
EI13CLAN EI6AL RA70WR RM4A ZF2LC W2SM
EK6LP RN4LP RN1CW RW6HS ZV2K PY2SHF

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20317. 425 DX Calendar - #1132

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
******* CALENDAR *******
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PERIOD CALL REF
till 12/01 V31ME: Long Caye (NA-123) 1129
till 12/01 V5/DJ2HD: Namibia 1128
till 13/01 4T4RDP and 4T4DKR: special callsigns (Peru) 1130
till 13/01 IOTA Tour by F4BKV 1132
till 13/01 TG9IDX: Guatemala 1124
till 14/01 C6AVA: North Bimini Island (NA-048) 1129
till 14/01 T88SM, T88CP, T88HK: Koror (OC-009), Palau 1131
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till 18/01 AE6XY/VK9, W7AVO/VK9, W7PBL/VK9: Lord Howe (OC-004) 1131
till 18/01 DU9/M0GHQ: Mindanao (OC-130) 1127
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till 09/03 4S7KKG: Sri Lanka (AS-003) 1121
till 11/04 JX9JKA: Jan Mayen (EU-022) 1024
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till 31/12 DL50FRANCE: special station 1131
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till 31/12 HB30OK: special callsign 1130
till 31/12 OU1RAEM: special callsign 1130
till 31/12 S5300TP: special callsign 1130
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22/01-11/02 J76A: Dominica (NA-101) 1132
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January VI6AHR30: special event callsign 1129
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14/02-23/02 9U4U: Burundi 1131
18/02-28/02 H44KW: Guadalcanal (OC-047), Solomon Islands 1117
20/02-03/03 A31WH/p: Vava'u (OC-064), Tonga 1131
20/02-02/03 HS0ZJF/9: Koh Butang (AS-126) 1129
28/02-10/03 TX5K: Clipperton Island (NA-011) 1097
February ST2SF: Sudan 1131
February T6LG: Afghanistan 1111
February-March XT1T: Burkina Faso * by I2YSB and others 1125
01/03-08/03 9M6/N6MUF: East Malaysia 1132
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09/03-17/03 YE6A: Rondo Island (OC-245) 1128
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20318. ARLP002 Propagation de K7RA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-11 20:08:52 UTC
From: jjreisert@...
Topic: 12650 Message: 20318

SB PROP @ ARL $ARLP002
ARLP002 Propagation de K7RA

ZCZC AP02
QST de W1AW
Propagation Forecast Bulletin 2 ARLP002
>From Tad Cook, K7RA
Seattle, WA January 11, 2013
To all radio amateurs

SB PROP ARL ARLP002
ARLP002 Propagation de K7RA

After last week's somewhat downbeat look at sunspot cycles, current, past and future, we sure have some great activity to report this week.

The average daily sunspot number more than doubled in the past week, rising nearly 93 points to 163.3. Average daily solar flux was up more than 37 points to 147.7. On top of that, the geomagnetic conditions were very quiet, which is a wonderful combination, not often seen in more active solar cycles.

There is a bit of uncertainty regarding the mid-latitude A-index on January 5-6. Some sort of outage for 24 hours blocked the data (from Fredericksburg, Virginia) on 8 consecutive 3-hour readings from late January 5 (UTC) through early January 6. The mid-latitude K-index tracked closely with the planetary K-index from January 3-9, so if the data were not missing, the January 5 mid-latitude A-index would probably have been a little higher, and the January 6 mid-latitude A-index a little lower than reported. The daily A-index is based solely upon the eight K-index readings throughout the day.

Currently NOAA and USAF predict solar flux values of 175 on January 11-12, 170 on January 13-14, 165, 150 and 125 on January 15-17, 105 on January 18-19, 110 and 120 on January 20-21, 125 on January 22-24, 130 on January 25-28, 135 on January 29, 140 on January 30 through February 1, then 135, 140, 135 and 130 on February 2-5, and 125 on February 6-7.

A predicted planetary A index is 5 on January 11, 8 on January 12-13, 5 on January 14-19, 8 on January 20-21, 5 in January 22-25, 10 on January 26, 5 on January 27 through February 2, 8 on February 3-5, 5 on February 6-8, and 10 on February 9.

The forecast is from January 10, and the solar flux portion is identical to the same report on January 9. The A index portion is

only slightly different on a couple of days, otherwise the same as Wednesday's forecast.

OK1HH has an updated geomagnetic activity forecast. He says to watch for quiet to unsettled conditions January 11-12, active to disturbed January 13, quiet to unsettled January 14, mostly quiet January 15, quiet to active January 16, quiet on January 17-19, mostly quiet January 20-21, quiet on January 22-25, mostly quiet January 26, quiet to active January 27, quiet January 28-29, mostly quiet January 30-31, and quiet again on February 1-2.

Howard Lester, N7SO of Schuylerville, New York recently saw his wire antennas go down in a big wind. The former inverted vee is now suspended two feet above ground at the feedpoint, and 12 feet above ground at each end. So it is now an actual upright V instead of an inverted vee. Howard was excited to see what he could work this week with the fast rising solar flux and sunspot numbers.

He wrote, "Mysteriously, the antenna system still loads with identical settings on my transmatch. So I decided to try transmitting, called a guy on SSB in Germany, and he came back to me with a nice signal report. Then a guy in Greece. And on 17 CW I broke through a little pileup to Iceland."

This was from January 9-10. On January 10 he wrote, "I made a couple of contacts on 15 SSB to Poland and to eastern Ukraine, both less than 1 hour after sunrise. They're all using giant antennas, so no wonder they hear me. It seems awfully early in the morning this time of year for 15, let alone 12, to be open, except that the flux is so high right now.

"I just worked OZ1ADL, Jan, in Galten, Denmark on 12 meter SSB. He gave me a 59 report, and was especially surprised after I described my antenna situation. But, HIS antenna is a 13-element log periodic at 100 feet."

With the fast-rising solar flux this week, it has been fun to examine the thrice daily readings from the observatory at Penticton, British Columbia.

Check
ftp://ftp.geolab.nrcan.gc.ca/data/solar_flux/daily_flux_values/fluxtable.txt
and look at the first column on the left for date, second column for time and the fifth column for observed solar flux. Daily readings are at 1800, 2000 and 2200 UTC, but the 2000 UTC reading (local noon) is the official solar flux number for the day.

Carl Luetzelschwab, K9LA of Indianapolis, Indiana has some observations on recent solar activity. Carl wrote, "The New Year welcomed us with a nice increase in solar activity. In the past several days I, along with many others, worked A45XR and A65BP (and others) in the late morning hours on 12m and 10m via long path to

the southwest from here in the Midwest. I even worked VU2XO on 10m SSB via long path (to the south) at 1638z on Friday January 4 - he was extremely weak but workable.

"These QSOs are good examples of low probability openings, and they were aided by the increased aforementioned solar activity. VOACAP predicts these openings (even at low solar activity), along with many other low probability paths. You just have to be there when they happen.

"Both ends of the path are looking toward the equatorial ionosphere, with the highest MUFs in the world (even at low solar activity). Our end of the path is in daylight, which of course is good for these higher band QSOs. The other end is past sunset, but not far enough past sunset to have the MUF decrease significantly - thank goodness the ionosphere recombines much slower after sunset than it ionizes at sunrise. And more than likely this wasn't conventional multi-hop - I suspect chordal hops that kept the losses down."

Thank you, Carl.

Several readers had comments about past solar cycles. Lou De Chiaro, WB2IJT of Lindenwold, New Jersey wrote, "I was fairly active on HF during the late 1960s when Cycle 20 peaked. At the time, my rig was a Heath SB-300 receiver and SB-400 transmitter running around 100 watts CW output. My largest HF antenna consisted of a rhombic that measured around 40 feet in the short dimension and about 300 feet in the long dimension. The best propagation results happened on 10 meters during the 1969-1970 period, and I both observed 20 dB/S9 signals and received equally glowing reports from several VK and ZL stations on both CW and SSB. My QTH at the time was in northern NJ. Since then, I have unfortunately not seen signals of comparable strength from 'down under,' though one always wants to remain hopeful."

Ken Bourke, N6UN of San Diego, California wrote, "I was born in 1940 and fit the age group that you talk about and the expectations we had. I enjoyed the current article about this age group as it moved thru the 11 year sunspot cycles and it is very accurate and true. No cycle compares to the 1958 one.

"We old QCWA hams always hope and think we will have another cycle like that 1958 one, but it never has happened. In 1958 I was 18 years old, in Illinois (W9ZVG, Extra Class), with 1 KW and a quad at 60 feet. But I even got bored working so many DX countries. I did not know I was experiencing a once in a lifetime event. 15 meters was also hot. I made a tape recording of the crowded 10 meter band on old tape at 7.5 ips.

"But I always thought the band would come back like that 1958 event every 11 years, but it never has come back like 1958. I still keep hoping and do think some cycle in the future will be even stronger,

with a higher daily 23 cm solar flux than our 110 or 120 today, like over 150 or 200 daily, solar flux which might occur with a big long term solar eruption and massive solar wind. I keep waiting for a lot of long term continuous solar activity."

Fortunately, solar flux this week is actually over 150, rising to 174 on January 10 and predicted at 175 on January 11-12.

Tom Gallagher, N6RA of San Francisco, California wrote, "I was one of the lucky ones to be on the air and hunting DX in the 50s. I'm now 70. I was licensed in 1955 as KN4DRO in Miami at the age of 12. I quickly got into DXing (having been an SWL DXer at the age of 10 and a BC band DXer at the age of 6 when my parents gave me my own little BC band radio). In 1958 I received DXCC #3698. I had about 210 countries when I went off to college in 1960 (I was actually the #9 DXer in the state of Florida with my puny station when I went off to college). I had a very modest station--50 watts on CW and AM (I had 140 countries on AM phone) with a 2 element quad at 30 feet. My experience during the various sunspot cycles was very much like you outlined. I had them all for a while, but missed South Sudan (haven't sent in the new PJ cards yet).

"6 meters has taken my interest in the last 13 years or so. There seem to be a lot of geezer HF DXers on 6! I had hopes of making DXCC on 6, but it's harder than I ever envisioned from the West Coast and the sunspots don't seem to be cooperating. I do have some juicy DX on 6 from 2001, such as Z22JE, ZD7, 3W, DU, VR2, etc."

Before closing, check out a couple of interesting articles about solar activity at http://earthsky.org/space/nasas-three-minute-solar-cycle-primer and http://earthsky.org/space/frank-hill-sees-future-sunspot-drop-no-new-ice-age.

If you would like to make a comment or have a tip for our readers, email the author at, k7ra@....

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service web page at http://arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals. For an explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin, see http://arrl.org/the-sun-the-earth-the-ionosphere. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at http://arrl.org/w1aw-bulletins-archive-propagation. Find more good information and tutorials on propagation at http://myplace.frontier.com/~k9la/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://arrl.org/propagation.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of ARRL bulletins are at http://arrl.org/bulletins.

Sunspot numbers for January 3 through 9 were 116, 167, 181, 186,
196, 144, and 153, with a mean of 163.3. 10.7 cm flux was 128.8,
143.1, 145.1, 142.2, 149.7, 155.6, and 169.3, with a mean of 147.7.
Estimated planetary A indices were 2, 2, 3, 3, 3, 3, and 3, with a
mean of 2.7. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 2, 2, 1, 6, 3, 3,
and 3, with a mean of 2.9.
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20319. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-12 14:01:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 20319

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:Issued: 2013 Jan 12 1222 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30112
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 12 Jan 2013, 1201UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 12 Jan 2013 until 14 Jan 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Active (M-class flares expected, probability >= 50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Warning condition (activity levels expected to increase, but no numeric
forecast given)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 12 Jan 2013 10CM FLUX: 173 / AP: 002
PREDICTIONS FOR 13 Jan 2013 10CM FLUX: 173 / AP: 001
PREDICTIONS FOR 14 Jan 2013 10CM FLUX: 173 / AP: 001
COMMENT: NOAA AR 1654 still has the potential for M class flares in the
coming 48 hours, with a slight risk for an X flare; we therefore
forecast active conditions for solar activity. An M 1.0 flare occurred
on Jan. 11, in this region, at 1507 UT (peak time). So far, no
Earth-directed CME, related to this region's flaring activity can be
observed. However warning conditions are issued for the geomagnetic
activity. Current conditions are quiet.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 105, BASED ON 07 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 11 Jan 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 172
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 010
AK WINGST : 003
ESTIMATED AP : 003
ESTIMATED ISN : 110, BASED ON 12 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
11 0843 0911 0917 N05E36 M1.2 VI/2,II/1,IV/1 64 1654
11 1451 1507 1524 N06E39 M1.0 1F 64 1654
END
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20320. V25A Info

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-12 22:58:01 UTC
From: Phil Snyder
Topic: 20320 Message: 20320

At the request of Jack, W9NJB, I was asked to post this.

W9NJB is the manager for V25A prior to 12/23/2012. These QSO's were made by Bob K9MDO.

As of 12/23/2012 the call has been re-assigned to KG2A.

Thanks for the bandwidth.

Phil
N9LAH

20321. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-13 14:01:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 20321

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:Issued: 2013 Jan 13 1229 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30113
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 13 Jan 2013, 1212UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 13 Jan 2013 until 15 Jan 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Active (M-class flares expected, probability >= 50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Warning condition (activity levels expected to increase, but no numeric
forecast given)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 13 Jan 2013 10CM FLUX: 165 / AP: 003
PREDICTIONS FOR 14 Jan 2013 10CM FLUX: 165 / AP: 001
PREDICTIONS FOR 15 Jan 2013 10CM FLUX: 162 / AP: 001
COMMENT: Solar activity is dominated by NOAA ARs 1652 and 1654, which
both have the potential for M class flares in the coming 48 hours, with
a small risk of an X class flare from AR 1654. Two M flares occurred on
Jan. 13: a M1.0 flare, peaking at 00:50 UT, and a M1.7 flare, peaking at
08:38 UT, both in AR 1652. The second one was associated with a metric
type II burst. Both flares were quite impulsive with no obvious CME
signatures (but no LASCO observations are yet available for the second
event). If this is confirmed, geomagnetic conditions should be mostly
quiet during the next 48 hours, but due to the risk of a geoeffective
CME, warning conditions are issued.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 084, BASED ON 07 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 12 Jan 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 169
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 008
AK WINGST : 004
ESTIMATED AP : 003
ESTIMATED ISN : 105, BASED ON 15 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
13 0045 0050 0052 N18W18 M1.0 V/2,III/3 62 1652
END
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20322. activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-13 17:38:00 UTC
From: ve1al@...
Topic: 20322 Message: 20322

Have not seen any activity for days. Do I have an e-mail problem or is there just nothing happening?

73

Al, VE1AL

20323. Re: [DX-IS] activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-13 17:44:02 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 20322 Message: 20323

On 1/13/2013 1:38 PM, ve1al@... wrote:
> activity
>
> Have not seen any activity for days. Do I have an e-mail problem or
> is there just nothing happening?
>
> 73
>
> Al, VE1AL
>
>

Not much to talk about, Al . . . no DXpeditions ongoing, flux is up, 12/10 are not quite rocking yet because we are in the "January lull", and LoTW is fixed. Nothing to complain about and not much on the horizon to look forward to. Any DXpeditions of note in the next month or two?

73, Paul VE1DX

20324. 5T0SP

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-13 17:48:48 UTC
From: Roger D Johnson
Topic: 20324 Message: 20324

What was the 6 digit grid square for this op? Can't
find it anywhere.

73, Roger

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Remember the Liberty (AGTR-5)
http://www.usslibertyveterans.org/
http://www.gtr5.com/

20325. Re: [DX-IS] activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-13 17:51:06 UTC
From: Jim Sherwood
Topic: 20322 Message: 20325

On 1/13/2013 11:38 AM, ve1al@... wrote:
> activity
>
> Have not seen any activity for days. Do I have an e-mail problem or
> is there just nothing happening?
>
> 73
>
> Al, VE1AL
>
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>
Hi Al

Other than Paul's report I have gotten only two since yesterday around
1400Z.
Not much for these guys to talk about since LOTW is running again

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Jim Sherwood, N4UOZ
n4uoz@...

20326. RE: [DX-IS] activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-13 18:31:17 UTC
From: ve1al@...
Topic: 20322 Message: 20326

Yup, Jim, with LoTW seemingly fixed there appears to be little to talk about. Conditions might improve over the next few days, though.

I worked a JE8 on 30M around 1900 yesterday. Big signal and me with just an inverted vee and 100W on that band. Also worked JT1CO around the same time one day last week, also on 30M.

And yes, it was an e-mail issue here -- got 280 e-mails when I got it sorted out!!!!!

73

Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Jim Sherwood
Sent: Sunday, January 13, 2013 1:51 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] activity

On 1/13/2013 11:38 AM, ve1al@... wrote:

Have not seen any activity for days. Do I have an e-mail problem or is there just nothing happening?

73

Al, VE1AL

Hi Al

Other than Paul's report I have gotten only two since yesterday around 1400Z.
Not much for these guys to talk about since LOTW is running again

--

Jim Sherwood, N4UOZ

n4uoz@...

20327. Re: [DX-IS] 5T0SP

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-13 19:35:47 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 20324 Message: 20327

On 1/13/2013 1:48 PM, Roger D Johnson wrote:
> What was the 6 digit grid square for this op? Can't
> find it anywhere.
>
> 73, Roger
>

Hi Roger,

I have IK28ac in my log. I can't recall where I got it, but I try to get grids as close as possible for all stations I work because my logging program (DXKeeper od the DXLabs suite) calculates the distance from my QTH.I like to know how far the signal goes. I can't imagine it was a rough guess . . . I must have found it somewherefrom a source I considered credible.

73, Paul VE1DX

20328. Re: [DX-IS] activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-13 19:38:52 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 20322 Message: 20328

On 1/13/2013 2:31 PM, ve1al@... wrote:
> activity
>
> Yup, Jim, with LoTW seemingly fixed there appears to be little to talk
> about. Conditions might improve over the next few days, though.
> I worked a JE8 on 30M around 1900 yesterday. Big signal and me with
> just an inverted vee and 100W on that band. Also worked JT1CO around
> the same time one day last week, also on 30M.
> And yes, it was an e-mail issue here -- got 280 e-mails when I got it
> sorted out!!!!!
> 73
> Al, VE1AL

I worked XV1X on 10M long path this morning. Does that beat a JT
on 30M? :-)

73, Paul VE1DX

20329. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1095

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-13 19:53:19 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 20329 Message: 20329

SB DX @ WW < KB8NW $OPDX.1095
Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin No. 1095

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Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 6th-January, through Sunday, 13th-January there were 219 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3B9, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4X, 5B, 5R, 5T, 5U, 5W, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9Q, 9V, 9X, 9Y, A4, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C5, C6, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FK, FM, FO, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, H40, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J6, J8, JA, JT, JX, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ7, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S2, S5, S7, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TR, TT, TU, TY, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK9L, VK9N, VP2E, VP2M, VP2V, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XW, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, Z8, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD8, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

2012 DX SOUND BITES! Tom, K8CX, has done it again. He has provided DXers with 135 memorable DX sound clips from 2012. Visit Tom's famous "HAM GALLERY" Web at: http://hamgallery.com/dx2012
While there also check out some of his other features on his Web page,

such as: 15 years of "Rare DX Sound Clips" of the past (as well as some clips from the 1960's and 1970's), QSL Card Museum, Dayton Photo Galleries and Tribute to Silent Key Ham Operators. Tom states, "If anyone has any old HF recordings, I would be interested in hearing from them."

5B, CYPRUS. Roman, UR0MC, will be active as 5B/UW2M during the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 16-17th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via US0LW.

9M4, SPRATLY ISLANDS. Operators John/9M6XRO, Steve/9M6DXX, James/9V1YC, Ben/DJ0YI/N6MUF, Don/G3BJ, Christian/EA3NT and Tony/KM0O will be active as 9M4SLL from Layang-Layang Island (AS-051) between March 10-18th. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. They will have several stations on the air with amplifiers into vertical antennas all within a few meters of the ocean. QSL Manager for this operation is Tim, M0URX (OQRS, direct, by the Bureau, LoTW). Logs will be uploaded to LoTW as quickly as possible after the DXpedition. More details will be forth-coming.

AAW NEWS (How may I register my station for 10th AAW?). Gianni, I1HYW, reports: "Next month, February, will start the 10th Antarctic Activity Week; here below there is a brief explanation on how to join the Antarctica Activity Week (see <www.waponline.it>). To enter the AAW, it's necessary to get a special callsign (not the home call) issued to celebrate the event, (just for example I have requested as every year, my IR1ANT call issued by the Ministry of Communication of my Country for the AAW event). In alternative, one can use his home callsign adding /AAW, or /ANT, or /WAP, or /A which stands for Antarctica to any special event callsign will be given a WAP reference number to be used during the event. I don't know the law/rules of foreign countries, but the applicant should get in any case an authorization to eventually use his own callsign /ANT or /A etc.... , since just a pure own call is not a special event call, but a classic home call which could not be given a WAP reference number. Participation is open and hunters can try to contact as many as AAW SES which WAP reference number can be used when applying for WAP Antarctic Awards according to the Award□s rules. The list of participants already registered for the 10th AAW is available at WAP Web site at: http://www.waponline.it/Default.aspx?tabid=113 "

C6, BAHAMAS. Operators George/W4BUW (C6AGH), Joe/W8GEX (C6DX), Janet/W8CAA and Joe/AA4NN will be active adjacent to the ocean on Great Exuma Island (NA-001), Bahamas, between January 20-27th. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY, with three stations on the air. QSL C6AGH via W4BUW and C6DX via W8GEX.

C6, BAHAMAS. George, KQ8Z/GM0IIO, will once again be active as C6AZZ from Grand Bahama Island (NA-080, WLOTA 0527, WW Loc. FL06UO). This time it will be for the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 16-17th) and the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 2-3rd) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (20m)/Low-Power entries. He states that he will be on other bands for a few days before and after the contests. If like last time, activity will

focus on 6 meters (CW, SSB, FM) if there are any band openings, otherwise on 80-10 meters, mainly CW with some SSB using his Icom 756 Pro3. George will use a 80m OCFD antenna at 40 feet. The 20m antenna will be a full sized 20m delta loop right on the beach vertically polarized with the apex at 40 feet. QSL via KQ8Z.

CQ NEWS (CQ Facebook "Fans" Top 10,000). Richard, W2VU, Editor of CQ Amateur Radio, reports on January 9th: "CQ Facebook 'Fans' Top 10,000 Mark - Nearly Half Under Age 45 -- As 2013 began, the number of 'likes' on the CQ Facebook page exceeded 10,000 for the first time. These fans of CQ continue to represent a considerably younger group of ham radio operators than organized ham radio has been reaching through traditional means. CQ has had a page on Facebook since 2010, and the demographics of its fans have remained consistent even at the numbers have grown. 'Over 46% of CQ's Facebook fans are under age 45,' said CQ Editor Rich Moseson, W2VU. 'In addition, fully three-quarters are under age 55 and 20% are under age 35. This is continued proof that there is a significantly higher number of younger hams 'out there' than we commonly see at club meetings and hamfests. It also shows that reaching these younger hams requires 'meeting them on their turf'.'
Facebook statistics show that CQ's fans are drawn from all over the world, with some 20 countries represented and members in the U.S. accounting for fewer than half of the total. CQ's Facebook page may be found at < https://www.facebook.com/CQMag>.
CQ Amateur Radio magazine < www.cq-amateur-radio.com> is the world's leading independent amateur radio publication, with print and digital edition readers in over 100 countries. CQ sponsors more than a dozen amateur radio contests and operating awards, including the world's most popular participation sport, the CQ World Wide DX Contest.
CQ is a publication of CQ Communications, Inc., which also publishes Popular Communications < www.popular-communications.com>, CQ VHF <www.cq-vhf.com> and WorldRadio Online < www.worldradiomagazine.com> magazines. In addition, Spanish and Portuguese versions of CQ are published in Spain and Brazil, respectively."

DAYTON HAMVENTION NEWS.....
* Contest Dinner - Tim, K3LR, Dayton Contest Dinner Chairman reports - [edited] "The North Coast Contesters are proud to announce: The 21st Annual Dayton Contest Dinner
The 2013 Contest Dinner tickets are on sale now exclusively via the Contest Dinner Web site. Thanks to Scott, KA9FOX, and QTH.com for designing, building and running the Contest Dinner Web site: http://contestdinner.com
Master of Ceremonies for the Dayton Contest Dinner is CQ Contest Hall of Fame member and World Wide Radio Operators Foundation (WWROF) Chairman, John Dorr, K1AR. Dr. Robert G. Cox, K3EST will be our featured speaker.
The Contest Dinner will be held on Saturday night, May 18th, at 6:30 PM. Cash bar opens at 5:30 PM. Located at the newly renovated Crowne Plaza Hotel (Official Contester Hotel) 5th and Jefferson Streets (Next to the Dayton Convention Center) Dayton (Downtown), Ohio in the

PRESIDENTIAL BALLROOM on the second floor.
Seating is random. Tables are set in rounds of 10. You can purchase
an entire table for your club or group (purchased group tables are
set for 8).
Tickets are only available at: http://contestdinner.com
There will be no tickets for sale at the door.
Also remember to visit the 25th annual Contest Super Suite (all FOUR
nights during Dayton) - details are here: http://contestsupersuite.com
We expect another sold out event for the Dayton Contest dinner. Get
your tickets early!"

* Dayton Contest University - Tim, K3LR, CTU Chairman, reports [edited]:
"I am pleased to announce that early bird registration (lowest fee)
is now open for 2013 Dayton ConTest University ('CTU') to be held
all day on Thursday May 16, 2013, at the Crowne Plaza in Dayton, Ohio.
Six different countries have hosted CTUs. USA, Germany, Italy,
England, Brazil and Finland. CTU Australia will be held in a few weeks.
Nearly 2000 students have attended CTUs with more than 60 CTU Professors
sharing their contesting experiences.
2013 will be the seventh year in a row for CTU Dayton. The 2013
suggested CTU topics are listed on the CTU web site at:
http://contestuniversity.com
The 2013 CTU Professor line up is outstanding. New 2013 CTU Professors
are - K5GN, N0JK, K9YC, K3EST and K6MM. Also past CTU Professors - who
will give new papers this year are W3LPL, K1DG, W0YK, NC0B, N6TV, K5ZD,
M0DXR and K3LR.
Details and early bird discounted registration information is on
the CTU web site at: http://contestuniversity.com
Important - as we did last year - if you want to sign up for CTU
2013 Dayton and you have given (or will give by Dayton 2013) a talk
about Amateur Radio Contesting to any club, hamfest or group since
May 20, 2012 - you qualify for a 10.00 USDs registration fee discount.
Please choose the 'Registration w/Discount' option to get the 10.00
USDs discount. Spreading the word about contesting is lots of fun and
can save you money!
Early CTU student signups will have the opportunity to help select
the 2013 Dayton CTU class outline topics. For a limited time, once
you have registered, please help construct the CTU curriculum content
by going to this survey link: http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/8XZG5NS
Thanks to all of the CTU sponsors Icom America, Superbertha.com, DX
Engineering, CQ Magazine and INRAD for making CTU possible. Thanks to
W9PA and K1SO for all of their help with CTU. Special thanks to Scott,
KA9FOX from QTH.com for hosting and constructing the CTU web site."

DXCC NEWS. Bill Moore, NC1L, ARRL Awards Branch Manager, is now accepting
the following operation for DXCC credit:
3D2C ☐ Conway Reef; 2012 Operation
If you had cards previously rejected for this operation please send an
E-mail to <bmoore@...> to be put on the list for an update.

DX MARATHON (Update). John, K9EL, CQ DX Marathon Manager, reports [edited]:
"The 2012 DX Marathon ended at 0000z January 1, 2013, and the 2013 Marathon began immediately! Yes, everyone's country and zone count reset to Zero and the race for the most countries and CQ zones for 2013 is underway.
Everyone can participate in the Marathon ☐ details and complete rules are available at: http://www.dxmarathon.com
The deadline for submission of 2012 logs is January 31, 2013. We know an earlier date was published, so the date was extended to avoid any confusion. Next year's deadline will be January 10, 2014.
To submit your score, use the latest Marathon Score Sheet (2012.5) that can be downloaded from the DX Marathon website. If you use computer logging, see the website for links to tools that simplify the submission process. Please note if you are using the ADIF to DX Marathon tool created by Jim, AD1C, make sure you are using the latest version. The tool changes each year in response to DX Marathon changes.
Double-check your submission for errors, making sure all information is filled out at the top of the form, BAND data was used instead of frequencies and MODE is either CW, Phone or Digital. SSB is also accepted.
If you are entering in Formula Class, be sure to include a detailed description of your antenna. And don't forget to add your comments on the Marathon at the end of the form.
The Marathon offers special awards for single mode and single band submissions. Simply enter only QSOs for a particular band or mode and the computer will classify your submission accordingly.
The DX Marathon website offers additional information on pirates and other helpful hints. If you have questions, feel free to contact me at: john@dxmarathon.com
Once your submission has been computer validated for all required information and proper formatting, your callsign will be listed on the received logs page on the DX Marathon website.
High claimed scores will be published in February and the complete results of the 2012 Marathon will be in the June 2013 issue of CQ Magazine."

DX SURVEY RESULTS (DX Magazine's 2012 Most Wanted Countries Survey).
DX Magazine's has published their Most Wanted Countries. Here are the "Top 20" (in the World-Wide "Weighted" Rankings Mixed Modes) as per DX Magazine (Jan./Feb. issue):

2012 Rank	2011 Prefix	2012 Country	2011 Rank	2012 Rank	2011 Prefix	2012 Country	2011 Rank
1	P5	North Korea	1	11	PY0S	St. Peter and Paul	16
2	KP1	Navassa Island	2	12	KH5K	Kingman Reef	18
3	3Y/B	Bouvet	3	13	ZL9	Auckland/Campbell	15
4	FT5Z	Amsterdam	6	14	KH5	Palmyra	17
5	VK0/H	Heard Island	4	15	SV/A	Mount Athos	14
6	FT5/W	Crozet	7	16	E3	Eritrea	24
7	BS7H	Scarborough	8	17	BV9P	Pratas Island	21
8	VP8/S	South Sandwich	9	18	FR/JE	Juan de Nova/Europa	20
9	ZS8	Marion Island	10	19	VP8/G	South Georgia	22
10	FT5T	Tromelin Island	13	20	KH3	Johnston Island	23

The "Top 100" is on the DX Publishing, Inc. Web site at:
http://www.dxpub.net/MOST-WANTED-SURVEY.html

EY, TAJIKISTAN. Nodir, EY8MM, from Dushanbe, will be active during the CQ 160 Meter CW Contest (January 25-27th) as a Single-Op entry. QSL K1BV via direct, by the Bureau or LoTW. Check out his home page at:
http://www.ey8mm.com

FR, REUNION ISLAND. Operator Pierre/F8APV will once again return to Reunion Island (AF-016) this time with Stéphane/F8EOI and be active as FR/F8APV and FR/F8EOI between January 21st and February 8th. Activity will be active on 40-10 meters, using a Buddipole antenna system (longer than standard with telescopic long whip) and with a focus on 30 meters CW and 20 meters SSB. QSL via their home callsigns. ADDED NOTE: Pierre will accept skeds at: pierre.goasguen.f8apv@...

FY, FRENCH GUYANA. Marc, F1HAR, will be active as FY5KE in the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 2-3rd) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (15m)/High-Power entry. QSL via LoTW, by the REF Bureau or direct to FY5KE.

GB6, ENGLAND (Special Event). Operator Herbie/G6XOU and friends will be operating as GB6WLB between January 19-27th, as part of the RNLI SOS Radio week. They will operate on most HF bands from Walton on the Naze, in Essex, England. (EU-005, WAB TM22, Loc. JO01PU). Herbie is a keen PSK operator, and this call has been registered as EPC #19125. QSL via G6XOU - please see QRZ.com for details. All logs will be uploaded to eQSL.cc. Event details are on the Web site at <www.sosradioweek.org.uk>.

IOTA NEWS.....
EU-145. Operators Colin/G3VCQ, Andy/M0GAV and Sharon/M3VCQ will be active as CT7ACG (callsign pending) from Culatra Island (DIA Ai-01, DIP AL-001, PIP ST-019, WLOTA 0144) between July 26-29th. Activity will include an entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th). Outside of the contest, look for the team members to be active on all bands and modes. QSL direct or by the Bureau to CT7ACG. Look for updates at:
http://www.sheffield-live.co.uk

NA-143. Joe, K5KUA, will once again activate Galveston Island (USI TX001S, Galveston county, Texas) between January 18-21st. Activity will be CW only on 40-10 meters, mainly 40/20m as conditions and time permits. QSL via K5KUA, direct or by the Bureau.

SA-050. Jose, CE8DMT, is now active from Puerto Williams on Navarino Island. His length of stay is unknown at this time. Activity has been on 40 and 15 meters SSB. QSL via his home callsign.

SA-096. (A CALL FOR HELP/Donations) Lutz, DK8UH, Secretary & QSL Manager of GDXF, informs OPDX readers [edited]: "The GDXF has supported the LU6W DXpedition, which a short time ago activated the South American IOTA group SA-096 for the first time ever. The experienced crew with Cezar/VE3LYC, Johan/PA3EXX, as well

as members of the Radio Club Puerto Madryn, experienced consider-
able difficulties on the island of Escondida. Both a team and
a boat crew member were so severely injured, that an immediate
return was required for medical attention. Items already off-
loaded had to be immediately secured and left on the island,
but were then lost to the heavy seas. This loss of several
radios, antennas, a laptop and other equipment has hit the
team hard financially. Further details can be read at:
http://lu8w.yosalite.com
The GDXF requests anyone who wishes to help to please donate
to the LU6W team. All received donations will be forwarded and
a list for accountability purposes will be published. For
donations from outside of Germany:
PayPal - schmadel@...-heidelberg.de
Or for direct transfer:
Account holder: GDXF c/o Schmadel
Bank: Volksbank Neckartal eG
BIC: GENODE61NGD
IBAN: DE116729170000262036 00 "

J3, GRENADA. Bob, G3PJT, will be active as J34G from Grenada (NA-024,
WLOTA 0718) between March 5-20th. Activity will probably be holiday style
using a K2 w/100 watts and vertical antennas. He plans to also be in the
RSGB's 75th Commonwealth Contest (March 9-10th). Look for him outside of
the contest, especially on 80 and 30 meters. QSL via his home callsign.

J7, DOMINICA. Operators Bernie/W3UR (Editor of "The Daily DX") and his
father Tony/N3ME will be active from Dominica (NA-101) between the end
of January and early February. Their schedule and callsigns are as
follows: J77A - Operator Bernie; between January 22nd-February 1st
J76A - Operator Tony; between January 22nd-February 11th
ADDED NOTE: Their special prefixes represent the year they
received their amateur radio license (1976 and 1977).
Activity will be during their spare time and on 160-6 meters using CW,
SSB and RTTY. QSL via their home callsigns, direct or by the Bureau
or LoTW.

JD1, MINAMI TORISHIMA. Take, JG8NQJ, will once again be active as JG8NQJ/JD1
from Marcus Island in the Minami Torishima (OC-073) group starting January
15th. He is there to work on the island's weather station and will stay
until mid-April. Activity will be mainly on 17/15/12/10 meters CW. QSL
via his home callsign, by the Bureau or direct to JA8CJY: Susumu 'Sin'
Sanada, 5-17, 5-4, Shin-Ei, Toyohira, Sapporo 004, Japan. Online log is
available at: http://dx.qsl.net/cgi-bin/logform.cgi?jd1-jg8nqj

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (January 14-20th)....
Jan/14th AN Jan/17th AN Jan/19th AN
Jan/15th AN Jan/18th AN Jan/20th AN
Jan/16th AN

SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS/INDEXES AND GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE
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NORMALITY	GEOMAG K Values	Alpha
AN - Above Normal	Quiet K=0-1	0-7
HN - High Normal	Unsettled K=2	8-15
LN - Low Normal	Active K=3	16-29
BN - Below Normal	Minor Storm K=4	30-49
DIS - Disturbed	Major Storm K=5	50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed	Severe Storm K=6-9	100-400

OH0, ALAND ISLAND. Operators Juha/OH1JT, Ari/OH5DX and Tomi/OH6EI will be active as OH0Z during the CQ 160 Meter CW Contest (January 25-27th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via W0MM.

P2, PAPUA NEW GUINEA (Update). Nao, JA2VQP, who has been in PNG since September 26, 2012, and will be there for the next two years, informs OPDX of the following update. He is a volunteer of JICA (Japanese ODA) teaching mathematics at the Divine Word University in Wewak, East Sepic Province (north coast of PNG main land). He states that he has received a full PNG license, P29NO, thanks to some advice by Renzo, P29FR. Nao, states, "Recently, I brought my FT-857 and a antenna tuner from Japan. There is wide space to build up antennas, but I have no materials. I would like to start with a long wire. I would appreciate if anyone could send me materials to make antennas. Blacking out is very frequent, and the internet condition is really bad. I've not decided the QSL Manager yet. I have applied for the LoTW. I'll be in Port Moresby, the capital city of PNG, starting Jan. 19th, and stay for a week. Then I'll be able to get other things there. I will try to be active at Wewak by the end of this month, maybe. I can operate CW, SSB and RTTY. I am thinking of other modes." So begin looking for P29NO in the coming months. Watch QRZ.com for updates.

PW7, BRAZIL (Special Event). Look for members of the Natal Digital Group <http://natal-digital-group.blogspot.com.br> to activate special event station PW7F between January 18-20th. Activity is to celebrate the 413th anniversary of "Fortaleza dos Reis Magos" or also known as "Forte dos Reis Magos", located in the city of Natal, state of Rio Grande do Norte, BRAZIL. See QRZ.com for some pictures. Operations will be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. Operators mentioned are Ed/PS7DX, Nazareno/ PS7NN, Mac/PS7GL, Carlos/PS7KC and Nat/PS7HD. QSL Manager is PS7HD.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated January 13th)

3Z21WOSP via SP5YOW DR13IGS via DL9HCO OE2013U via OE3GCU
4L1HD via DL8KAC EA8/DL8JJ/M via DL8JJ OP2A via ON5CD
4O7CC via UA4CC EI8BLB via EI3JB OX3LX via OZ1PIF
5Z4/DL7UCX via DL7UCX EM7AAA via UT1AN OZ/F4BKV via F4BKV
5Z4/EA4ATI via EA4YK GB2GP via GI4FUM PJ2/W1MJ via W1MJ
7X5NZ via EA7FTR GB4FE via M1EDF SL7BT via SM7GUY
9X0PY via SM6CPY HB0/HB9LCW via HB9LCW SQ0WOSP via SP7YLD

A61E via IZ8CLM HF5WOSP via SP5PPK T88CP via JA6UBY
A71BO via A71A HF21WOSP via SP9PDG UA2FL via RN3RQ
AE6XY/VK9L via JA1CJA HS0ZJS via HB9PHJ UE75VV via RW0UM
CE2AWW via VE7WY (d) IZ0UIL via M0OXO W7AVO/VK9L via JA3AVO
CN8KD via EA5XX KH7XS/W4 via K4XS (d) XR3Y via XQ7UP
CT8/EA5KA via EA5KA LU8EEM via LU7DR XV9NPS via JA2NPS
CT9/MJ0ASP via MJ0ASP LZ20TRC via LZ1YE YP10KQT via YO2KQT
DL/F4BKV via F4BKV LZ60RCP via LZ1JZ Z320L via Z34M
DM0E via DL6UKW OE2013E via OE4VIE
DN4SB via DG1EA OE2013LWV via OE9LWV

(d) direct only (B) Bureau only (L) LoTW only

CORRECT QSL ROUTE FOR V25A. Please take note that the current V25A QSL Manager is NOT W9NJB. The V25A callsign has been reassigned to KG2A in 2012, and he apparently only responds to direct QSL requests. W9NJB cannot handle these cards for 2012 and after.

POSTAL INCREASE (Italy). Gianni, I1HYW, informs OPDX that in 2013 an increase in Postal rate has reached a huge amount! He states, "Just to inform DXers of the new postal rate in force since Jan. 1st, 2013, in Italy. Within Italy the rate goes from 0.60 to 0.70 cents, within Europe, from 0.75 to 0.85 cents. From Italy to North & South America, Africa & Asia, the rate goes from 1.60 Euro to 2.00 Euro. From Italy to Australia & Oceania from 2.00 Euro to 2.50 Euro. The USDs is trading in Italy to the value of 1 Euro = 1.3056 USD or 1 USD = 0.7659 Euro; that means it is necessary for 3 USDs to cover postal expense to deliver a letter to North & South America, Africa & Asia and 4 USDs to Australia & Oceania. It□s embarrassing to say that, but this is unfortunately, the situation that affects not only this country but I think, the entire globe. As QSL Manager of quite a few different foreign callsigns, I am therefore sorry to say that if there isn't a sufficient postal coverage, I can't deliver your QSL cards direct, nor put them in the bureau as for that, I should pay an extra costs (ARI asks about 35 USD/year for each different foreign callsign managed by the Italian bureau). I trust, in your understanding, and I suggest eventually to join your friends and send a cumulative requests in one envelope to share the costs (at least when you QSL through I1HYW)."

LOTW UPDATE. The ARRL's Web page and Letter report: "The processing queue for Logbook of The World (LoTW) -- the ARRL's online log processing system -- has been shrinking steadily since Monday, January 7th, when the system was brought back online after the completion of previously announced maintenance involving the installation of a new database server equipped with solid state drives (SSDs). Since then, the system has been stable and, as expected, the SSDs are proving to be much faster. As of January 9th, the delay between a file being uploaded and processed is about 8 days and is dropping by one day approximately every 10 hours."

TIME TO UPDATE YOUR GS-IRC CHART. Bill, W9OL, states that this is the 15th year for his GS/IRC Chart and it's time to update the information/

data again. (U.S. Postage rates increase effective January 27, 2013)
Bill states, "Please take a look at the GS-IRC Chart and let me know
of any changes in postage for the country YOU reside in. There is a lot
of OLD data that I have NOT received updates on. If you live in or have
a friend who resides in these missing countries, please elicit his help
in obtaining the new information."
The current chart resides at:
http://www.qsl.net/w9ol/IRC_Chart.htm
If you wish to download the whole file, go to:
http://www.qsl.net/w9ol/IRC_Chart.xls

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 5T0SP,5V7TH, 5W1SA, 7P8D, 8R1PY, C6AKQ, CT1JOP,
FM/S35R, H7/AJ9C, HR2/NP3J, IQ3UD, J6/N7QT, JR1GMK, P40W, PJ2/K2PLF,
PJ4D, RI1ANF, T77C, TG9IDX, TO9R, V31MW, V31YK, V73CW, VE3RZ and WP3A

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3V8BB, 5V7TH, 7Z7AB, 9Y4LAS, A45XR, C5A, C50C,
C6AUM, C6AZZ, E51AIU, EL2A, EL2DT, KH2/N2NL, LZ1ANA, P29NI, P29VPB,
P29VCX, TF/VE3IKV, V63PR, VU3BPZ/mm and WA4DAN/CY0

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 5R8IC, 5R8X, 6O3A, 7X2ARA, 9K2/SP4R,
9M2/SQ9UM, 9M4SLL, 9M8DX/2, 9V1VV, 9V1WW, 9V40VV, 8R1PY, 9X0TL, BD1BYV,
BV2WR, BW1/VR2RR, BX2AJ, BX2AN, CE0Y/LA5UF, DA2MORSE, E51MAN, EA9/G3TXF,
FM/AI5P, HF36POL, HL5BLF, HR9/AI5P, J5NAR, KH8/AI5P, LZ20HR, LZ907SKB,
LZ1363PTT, MU/F5CWU, PJ5/SP6EQZ, PJ5/SP6IXF, T2XG, T6MB, T8XO, TA2DA,
TC4X, TO5T, TO8A, TX4T, TX6T/P, V5/DK1CE, VP2MXF, VP6T, XF3LH, XX9TTR,
YB26SEAG, YB0DJ, YB0NDT, ZD8XF and ZX8C

ST, SUDAN. Lourens, ZS6AKB, is currently active as ST2/ZS6AKB when mobile
in the Darfur region of Sudan. The length of his stay is not known, but
he was heard on 20 meters January 10th - between 1600-1640z on 14181 kHz.
He used a FT857 with a Tarrheel 11 antenna. Lourens normally lives in a
small suburb (Eastvale) of a town called Springs approximately 70 Km
east of Johannesburg.

SU, EGYPT. Gerd, DJ5IW, will once again be active as SU/DJ5IW from El
Fardous between January 14th and February 8th. Activity will be limited
to his spare time and mainly on 40/20/17/15/12/10 meters CW only using
a IC-756 PRO with 100 watts. There will be no 80m, 30m and RTTY because
it is not allowed in Egypt. QSL via his home callsign.

TO1, FRENCH GUYANA. Herve, F5HRY, will be active as TO1A in the ARRL DX
SSB Contest (March 2-3rd) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (10m)/High-Power
entry. QSL via LoTW.

TRIATHLON DX CONTEST. Kostas, SV1DPI, Triathlon DX Contest's Manager,
is inviting everyone to participate in the "1st Triathlon DX Contest".
The Triathlon will take place the first full weekend of February every
year. This year it will be on Saturday, February 2nd. Kostas states,
"We are trying to simulate the original Triathlon athletic event. So we
involved 3 major ham radio modes, RTTY, SSB and CW. It will be a 24 hour
non-stop event divided in 3 sections, each one devoted to a different mode.
We start at 0000z on Saturday, February 2nd, with RTTY until 0759z.

After that we continue from 0800z with SSB until 1559z, and finally there is the CW part starting at 1600z until 2359z. The exchange is simple; just 59(9) and serial number... Multipliers are the DXCC entities in every mode and band plus the number of different Greek stations you will work during the entire contest. There are simple mode categories and mixed mode as well. Also you can make your own teams and participate in team contesting also. The best of all is that the winner will get a wonderful prize: 10 days all paid for 2 persons in Zakynthos Island (EU-052) in Greece, offer of Xenos Hotels Group. You can find more info as well as the complete rules in several languages at:
http://www.triathlon-dx-contest.gr
We are looking for your participation...
73... de Triathlon-DX-Contest team <dxtriathlon@...>"

VK9C, LORD HOWE ISLAND. Tomas, VK2CCC (aka LY1F), will once again be active as VK9LL between September 22-29th. Activity will be limited to his spare time with a focus on 160/80 meters. QSL via LoTW, and by the Bureau or direct via VK2CCC. For updates and possibly more details, watch the following Web pages: http://www.qrz.com/db/VK9LL
(Web page from his 2010 operation) http://www.qrz.lt/ly1df/vk9clh.htm

XV, VIETNAM (IOTA Op!). Just a reminder that operators Sei/JA7LU and Hiroo/JA2VWG will be active as XV4LU and XV4DDD, respectively, from Phu Quoc Island (AS-128) between January 12-16th (2013). Activity will be on 40/20/17/15/12/10 meters using SSB and RTTY. See QRZ.com for details on QSL information.

YN, NICARAGUA. Scott, K7ZO, will once again be active as YN5ZO during the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 2-3nd) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. He usually operates "Field Day Style" using a 5 band Spiderbeam and 40m dipole on a push up mast. The radio is a TS-590 driving a KPA-500 amp. QSL via LoTW and K7ZO, direct or by the Bureau. Look for Scott to be active before the contest as well.

Z8, SOUTH SUDAN. Ken, K4ZW, is currently active as Z81Z from Juba. His length of stay is unknown at this time, but some reports say a month. Activity will be 80-10 meters CW. He was heard this past week on 40/20/15 meters. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by LoTW.

ZF, CAYMAN ISLANDS. Dick, WN3R, will be once again active as ZF2RW from Grand Cayman Island (NA-016, WLOTA 1042) between February 20-26th. Activity will be on all HF bands and modes. QSL via his home callsign direct (see QRZ.com).

ZK3, TOKELAU (Update). Operators Hans/DL6JGN and Guenter/DL2AWG will be active as ZK3N from Nukunonu Atoll (OC-048) between April 23rd and May 8th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. They will be using a TS590 with a Tokyo Hy-Power solid state amp; K3 with a 500 watt solid state amp; AV640 and Tripod Leg for 40-10 and GP for 80m. QSL via DL2AWG. Subject to a reliable Internet connection, they will upload their log to ClubLog on a daily basis. Otherwise, the complete log will be uploaded upon their return. There is a ZK3N Web page available at:

http://www.tokelau2013.de

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20330. RE: [DX-IS] activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-13 20:36:43 UTC
From: VE1AL
Topic: 20322 Message: 20330

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However, down to the wire I'd say a JT1 on 30 with just an inverted vee and
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Yahoo! Groups Links

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-13 20:44:17 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 20322 Message: 20331

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20332. Re: [DX-IS] 5T0SP

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-13 20:54:04 UTC
From: Roger D Johnson
Topic: 20324 Message: 20332

Thanks, Paul. There used to be an 160m award called "The 40,000 Mile WAC" sponsored by the now defunct Low Band Monitor magazine. I still do it just for fun every year. Right now at just over 37,000 miles. I've got to find someone a lot deeper onto the Dark Continent!

73, Roger

Paul M Dunphy wrote:
> On 1/13/2013 1:48 PM, Roger D Johnson wrote:
>> What was the 6 digit grid square for this op? Can't
>> find it anywhere.
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>> 73, Roger
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> Hi Roger,
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> I have IK28ac in my log. I can't recall where I got it, but I try
> to get grids as close as possible for all stations I work because my
> logging program (DXKeeper od the DXLabs suite) calculates the distance
> from my QTH.I like to know how far the signal goes. I can't imagine it
> was a rough guess . . . I must have found it somewherefrom a source I
> considered credible.
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> 73, Paul VE1DX
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> Yahoo! Groups Links
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Remember the Liberty (AGTR-5)
http://www.usslibertyveterans.org/
http://www.gtr5.com/

20333. RE: [DX-IS] activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-13 21:04:22 UTC
From: ve1al@...
Topic: 20322 Message: 20333

WOW! That's amazing. I've suspected for years that there's a vast difference in propagation between Sydney and Halifax. Now I know.

I've had my beam SE all day, waiting for a LP opening on 20 or at least AF on 15 and 10. Nuttin', NADA!!! All I've heard other than EU are a few SA (watery at best) and on 20 just FK8DD who wasn't as strong as he was yesterday.

Mind you, I worked a JE8 on 30 yesterday around the same time of day as JT1CO but there was nothing on that path today. Also heard an HL (been a very long time since the last one) on 20M last evening but I couldn't break the pile-up because he seemed to be working west coast and central US only -- I was just too weak. :-(

Don't think anyone wants to get into our "contest" cause there've been no comments :-)

73,

Al, VE1AL

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Yahoo! Groups Links

20334. RE: [DX-IS] activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-13 21:40:49 UTC
From: KQ8M
Topic: 20322 Message: 20334

So no copy OM

73,

Tim Herrick, KQ8M

Charter Member North Coast Contesters

kq8m@...

AR-Cluster V6 kq8m.no-ip.org

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Sent: Sunday, January 13, 2013 12:38 PM
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Al, VE1AL

20335. RE: [DX-IS] activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-13 21:52:22 UTC
From: ve1al@...
Topic: 20322 Message: 20335

Nope, Tim, got the problem resolved. So you're wall to wall and 10' tall.

73

Al, VE1AL

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of KQ8M
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20336. Re: [SPAM]RE: [DX-IS] activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-13 23:40:10 UTC
From: John G.
Topic: 20336 Message: 20336

It depends on whether you already have zone 23 on 30m or 26 on 10m. I have 26 confirmed on 10, but am waiting for my JT1CO card on 30m so I would say that is the better catch. XV1X was S6 here on LP today but couldn't hear my small signal.

John AF5CC

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20337. Re: [SPAM]Re: [DX-IS] activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-13 23:40:36 UTC
From: John G.
Topic: 20337 Message: 20337

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Not much to talk about, Al . . . no DXpeditions ongoing, flux is
up, 12/10 are not quite rocking yet because we are in the "January
lull", and LoTW is fixed. Nothing to complain about and not much on the
horizon to look forward to. Any DXpeditions of note in the next month
or two?

73, Paul VE1DX

20338. Re: [SPAM]Re: [DX-IS] activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-13 23:47:29 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 20337 Message: 20338

On 1/13/2013 7:40 PM, John G. wrote:
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73, Paul VE1DX

20339. Re: [SPAM]Re: [SPAM]Re: [DX-IS] activity

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-14 02:14:55 UTC
From: John G.
Topic: 20339 Message: 20339

Hi Paul,
Any reason why this happens? I see that the flux is pretty high, but not much activity on 12 or 10m. Did catch VU2RTS on 12m RTTY the other day on Long Path. I don't remember the lull during the last solar peak.

I remember reading in "The Complete DXer" that DXing generally isn't that good around high noon, except in the dead of winter. THat made me think that this time of year would actually improve DX conditions.

73 John AF5CC

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20340. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-14 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 20340

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:Issued: 2013 Jan 14 1235 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30114
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 14 Jan 2013, 1205UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 14 Jan 2013 until 16 Jan 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >= 50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 14 Jan 2013 10CM FLUX: 153 / AP: 008
PREDICTIONS FOR 15 Jan 2013 10CM FLUX: 150 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 16 Jan 2013 10CM FLUX: 145 / AP: 007
COMMENT: AR NOAA 1652 and NOAA 1654 remain the most eruptive regions
featuring several C flares with the highest value a C6.5 flare
originating from NOAA 1652 peaking at 01:22 UT. A very faint and slow
(260km/s) CME was observed in LASCO C2 at around 13:00 UT and confirmed
with STEREO A and B. It is not likely that this CME will become
geo-effective.
Geomagnetic conditions have been quiet to active in the last 24 hours,
we expect geomagnetic conditions to be mostly quiet during the next 48
hours.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 081, BASED ON 09 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 13 Jan 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 156
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 022
AK WINGST : 012
ESTIMATED AP : 012
ESTIMATED ISN : 087, BASED ON 14 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
13 0835 0838 0840 M1.7 140 III/2,II/2,IV/2 62 1652
END
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20341. YUK

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-14 16:07:47 UTC
From: ve1al@...
Topic: 20341 Message: 20341

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Al, VE1AL

20342. Re: [DX-IS] YUK

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-14 16:15:05 UTC
From: Richard Solomon
Topic: 20341 Message: 20342

No worse than the TO or TM calls ...

73, Dick, W1KSZ

On Mon, Jan 14, 2013 at 9:07 AM, <ve1al@...> wrote:

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20343. RE: [DX-IS] YUK

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-14 16:25:23 UTC
From: Ron Notarius W3WN
Topic: 20341 Message: 20343

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73, ron w3wn

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of ve1al@...
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20344. Re: YUK

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-14 16:27:35 UTC
From: Bob
Topic: 20341 Message: 20344

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20345. RE: [DX-IS] YUK

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-14 17:05:25 UTC
From: ve1al@...
Topic: 20341 Message: 20345

Hi Ron,

Well, I accept all of what you have said. However, I suspect that if the ARRL, as the national organization in the US, were to take on this issue, something could, in fact, be done. What particularly depresses me is US-licensed stations from outside the CONUS (and that includes KLs who actually are in NA) are not mandated to append the suffix for the area from which they are operating. A KP4 operating from NYC, a KH2 in FL, a KP2 in NH, a KL7 in CO or a W6 in MA, an N6 in GA, N7 in NC...all of these, to me, are ethically wrong.

My views about W1s operating from FL, AZ and so on are well known to readers of this reflector. Yes, the current law is the law. That doesn't mean it is correct. And to me those guys who have moved to other areas of the US and don't change their calls to reflect that area or use a portable identifier are equally unethical.

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20346. RE: [DX-IS] YUK

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-14 17:06:52 UTC
From: ve1al@...
Topic: 20341 Message: 20346

On a miniscule scale, by comparison, you're absolutely correct, Dick. I could say more but I won't. :-)

73

Al, VE1AL

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20347. RE: [DX-IS] Re: YUK

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-14 17:09:45 UTC
From: ve1al@...
Topic: 20341 Message: 20347

But I shouldn't have to do that, Bob. I have QRZ.com tied to my DXbase logging program but.....

AL

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Bob
Sent: Monday, January 14, 2013 12:28 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: YUK

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-14 17:13:12 UTC
From: Phil & Anne Irons
Topic: 20341 Message: 20348

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He refuses to upgrade to DXLabs, Bob. Says the learning curve is too steep. He uses DXBase (!)

73,

Phil/VE1BVD
(who lives around the corner)

20349. RE: [DX-IS] YUK

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-14 17:17:54 UTC
From: ve1al@...
Topic: 20341 Message: 20349

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Date: 2013-01-14 17:30:04 UTC
From: Ron Notarius W3WN
Topic: 20341 Message: 20350

Hi Al,

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But, OK, let's delve into it again.

First, you'd have to convince the ARRL leadership that this is an issue that needs addressing. I'm not sure if they would or not. Then you'd have to convince them to talk to the FCC, and that presumes that the FCC will be willing to listen. Considering that it appears that the FCC, or at least some of their staff, consider the Amateur service and (at least some of) it's licensees to be the equivalent of a boil on the buttocks.

That aside, if it were up to me, I'd find a way to craft the rules to require an Amateur who moves from the continental US call districts (1 - 10) to any of the AK / Caribbean / Pacific districts (11 - 13), or who moves from any one of those three "non-CONUS" districts to any other, to change calls. Or at the very least, mandate they sign a portable prefix to indicate where they are (W4/KH2D, for example). I'd even go so far as to make it so that if you move out of your call district and don't change your call, you'd have to sign portable, to be fair to all of us. I guess I'm just old-fashioned, as I remember all to well the days when you had to notify your local/district FCC engineer-in-charge if you were going to be operating away from home for more than 48 hours.

(And don't flame me for my opinion gang, after all, this is merely speculation, it's not going to happen)

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Date: 2013-01-14 17:30:43 UTC
From: Ron Notarius W3WN
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That tears it. Now you ARE channeling KH2D!

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20352. Re: [DX-IS] Re: YUK

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-14 17:31:41 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 20341 Message: 20352

On 1/14/2013 12:27 PM, Bob wrote:
> This is manageable for US calls.
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> Just run DXkeeper/Spotcollector with the USAP Database and the minute you type in the call it will give you recent and correct info.
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As a fellow user of DX Labs, I agree 100%. I have never wondered where a person is, at least with a US issued call. DX Labs takes care of it. It also takes care of the TO and TM confusion almost as easily. I am surprised other logging software doesn't as well.

I think it is unfair to call any operator an asshole for using the legal call given to them by their government. The problem goes beyond the FCC allowing Hams to keep their calls when they move between call areas. The problem is resistance to change. This isn't 1960 or 1970 or 2007. It is 2013. Technology and rules have changed. We may not like or agree with the changes, but we can either adapt to them or be constantly mad.

This is not directed at you specifically, Al. It is directed at all those who learned a set of rules when they were first licensed and expect they will remain static forever. I've only been licensed since 1987, and I seen a huge number of changes. I adapted with them, and didn't fight them and complain that things were better in 1987. I have personal views on all the changes and I don't necessarily agree all of them were good or made Ham radio better. However, I keep those views to myself, and I really tire of the old guys who try to tell others "The

only right way to do it is the way *I* do, because when I was licensed it was better."

Specifically, where does it say a WH6 living in South Carolina must sign /W4? If there is no regulation so stating, why is he an asshole? Why are the people at the FCC jerks? We are a shrinking subset of the population who are clinging to an ancient, obsolete method of communicating. With the exponential implementation of Internet circuits, cell phones and all sorts of other network attached devices as well as satellite communication and 100s if not 1000s of cable TV channels, etc. how can the FCC or any other country's communication agency hone and enforce rules and regulations for those of us who want to communicate using an ancient, obsolete technology? They are not jerks. They are trying to cope with the huge increase if data flow that came on like an avalanche from about 1990 onwards.

Everyone has at least one PC, one cell phone (I see kids on buses with 2-3 going at once), and I can get 400-500 TV channels if I want to. When I was licensed in 1987, I had 3 TV channels, and AM/FM radio and a land-line phone. The military, coast guard and commercial interests communicated via radio, be it CW or SSB. It's all changed. We can't cling to the past.

It ended. Have a look:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2a4scmlC7tI

DA has gone QRT. Can you copy her? I can, but I bet only 1 in 10,000 in the general population can . . . if that.

73, Paul VE1DX

20353. RE: [DX-IS] YUK

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-14 17:36:30 UTC
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Topic: 20341 Message: 20353

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Date: 2013-01-14 17:36:57 UTC
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy (K5MWH)
Topic: 20341 Message: 20354

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20355. RE: [DX-IS] YUK

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-14 17:54:55 UTC
From: KQ8M
Topic: 20341 Message: 20355

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Tim Herrick, KQ8M

Charter Member North Coast Contesters

kq8m@...

AR-Cluster V6 kq8m.no-ip.org

User Ports: 23, 7373 with local skimmer, 7374 without local skimmer

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From: John
Topic: 20341 Message: 20356

Not to disagree with Al, because I don't, but how could we fix the problem?

The FCC could require anyone who is in another area to sign portable, and write this into Part 97. How is that going to be enforced? The FCC would have to constantly monitor the bands (which they don't do at all anymore) looking for violators.

Or they could require you to change your call when you move to a new district. That used to be done. However, there are so many ways around that if I want to keep my old call. I just have to get a PO box where I used to live, or use a friends/relative's address, etc.

You want to talk about really screwed up-I have a friend here in town with a NL7 call from when he lived in Alaska. A few years ago he decided to get a 2 x 1 5 land callsign thru the vanity program, so he did. He decided after a couple of months he didn't like it and applied for his NL7 call back, with a 5 land address on his application. The FCC gave it to him since he was a former callsign holder of it. So now, you don't even need to currently have a mailing address in a "special area" as long as you used to hold a call from there-whatever.

I am glad that I am not the only one who things the ET USA VE licensing things sure seems illegal also.

John AF5CC (actually in 5 land)

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-14 18:21:47 UTC
From: John
Topic: 20341 Message: 20357

I also don't like the reverse, when a DXpedition goes to Kingman Reef, Navassa, Kure, or whereever, and then gets a 1 x 1 call so they don't have to sign /KH5K or /KP1. As a prefix collector I want those rare prefixes (have both KH5 and KP1, though). The 1 x 1 callsigs (as dumb as they are) are supposed to be used for special event stations. I spent the first few days of the last Kingman Reef DXpedition ignoring the K5K spots because I figured it was some special event station in Texas.

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Date: 2013-01-14 18:29:27 UTC
From: Dave AA6YQ
Topic: 20341 Message: 20358

“Nothing so much needs reforming as other people’s habits”.

- Mark Twain

20359. Re: [DX-IS] YUK

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-14 18:32:25 UTC
From: Richard Solomon
Topic: 20341 Message: 20359

Alright, I have listened to all this petty $%^& and have said nothing, BUT,
when a fellow Amateur calls me ..."unethical"... , I draw the line.

As far as I am concerned, the Law of the Land says I am within my rights
and I don't need some outsider telling us our Laws are wrong.

If you don't like it, write your Congressman, if you are outside the USA,
you have no say in the matter.

73, Dick, W1KSZ
In Olde Arizona and staying here, with my W1 Call.

On Mon, Jan 14, 2013 at 11:19 AM, John <af5cc@...> wrote:

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> Not to disagree with Al, because I don't, but how could we fix the problem?
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> The FCC could require anyone who is in another area to sign portable, and
> write this into Part 97. How is that going to be enforced? The FCC would
> have to constantly monitor the bands (which they don't do at all anymore)
> looking for violators.
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> Or they could require you to change your call when you move to a new
> district. That used to be done. However, there are so many ways around
> that if I want to keep my old call. I just have to get a PO box where I
> used to live, or use a friends/relative's address, etc.
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> You want to talk about really screwed up-I have a friend here in town with
> a NL7 call from when he lived in Alaska. A few years ago he decided to get
> a 2 x 1 5 land callsign thru the vanity program, so he did. He decided
> after a couple of months he didn't like it and applied for his NL7 call
> back, with a 5 land address on his application. The FCC gave it to him
> since he was a former callsign holder of it. So now, you don't even need
> to currently have a mailing address in a "special area" as long as you used
> to hold a call from there-whatever.
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20360. Re: [DX-IS] YUK

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-14 18:41:39 UTC
From: Bob
Topic: 20341 Message: 20360

Hi Al,

??????? That doesn't make him an A**HOLE.?? He may be under no legal obligation to sign anything other than his call.

????????? Many in the US like the present system.? If I move to Florida? I want to keep my call that I've had for many years.? Kind of like for 30 years I've been Sam but starting next week I'll be known as Fred.?? I do not know the answer but is the US alone, does DL 1 to 0 or F 1 to 0 make any difference? And are they required? to change...?

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73,
Bob
K2TK ? EX KN2TKR (1956) & K2TKR

PS: ? My call is old enough that it is not considered a vanity call.? It was a long agonizing decision to go from K2TKR to K2TK.?? While considering the change I missed out on call signs that were my initials.
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On 1/14/2013 11:15 AM, Richard Solomon wrote:
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Topic: 20341 Message: 20361

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Topic: 20341 Message: 20362

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-14 21:48:16 UTC
From: KQ8M
Topic: 20341 Message: 20363

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AR-Cluster V6 kq8m.no-ip.org

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-14 22:54:06 UTC
From: John G.
Topic: 20364 Message: 20364

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AR-Cluster V6 kq8m.no-ip.org

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-15 02:43:22 UTC
From: ve1al@...
Topic: 20341 Message: 20370

He was well over S9 here when I heard him, Gary. My mistake was stopping to tune the amp. I made one call and he went to 2s. I didn't even think of calling him as a 3 but by then he was going down in strength. By the time he got to 8s he was in the mud. I never heard him again. He's the big one that got away. I hope to live long enough to get that last one on my needed list. ☺

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We can debate what's legal, right, or ethical, but ultimately it's just the man in the mirror we have to satisfy. Our peers may have their say, but in the end, the man in the mirror knows if he is satisfied as to how he played the game.

73 ES DX,
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73,

Tim Herrick, KQ8M

Charter Member North Coast Contesters

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AR-Cluster V6 kq8m.no-ip.org

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Cc: ve1al@eastlink.ca
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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-15 02:49:46 UTC
From: GARY HUBER
Topic: 20341 Message: 20371

As the license trustee of N1SF, yes, on that day it was.

73 ES DX,
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From: Roger D Johnson
Sent: Monday, January 14, 2013 6:58 PM
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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-15 03:01:56 UTC
From: ve1al@...
Topic: 20369 Message: 20372

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John AF5CC

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20373. RE: [DX-IS] YUK

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-15 03:06:54 UTC
From: KQ8M
Topic: 20341 Message: 20373

The difference in using 2 different callsigns is that whatever is worked on one is not good for awards for the other. So working with N1SF doesn't count for AB9M but then IMHO the N1SF call should only have been used when he was on 9's since that is where the QSO was made from. But again we will hear from those legal purists that it is not against the rules to do that which is rue but as was said before you are only cheating yourself.

73,

Tim Herrick, KQ8M

Charter Member North Coast Contesters

kq8m@...

AR-Cluster V6 kq8m.no-ip.org

User Ports: 23, 7373 with local skimmer, 7374 without local skimmer

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Topic: 20341 Message: 20374

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20375. Re: [DX-IS] YUK

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-15 03:59:31 UTC
From: GARY HUBER
Topic: 20341 Message: 20375

And if there was no physical HF station for the N1SF Radio Club, is the trustee of the radio club unable to use the call? Perhaps you should look up N1SF on QRZ.com and note the license address is my home as is AB9M.

I guess there are some other opinions in this matter, but in the end I just logged the P5/4L4FN contact as made using N1SF in my log and never even requested a QSL. It was no shenanigan, it wasn’t borrowed, and in my role as control operator / trustee it was a valid contact as my only interest was to determine if I could work Ed from my station with my call IF I got the chance.

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20376. Re: [DX-IS] YUK

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-15 04:35:30 UTC
From: iain macdonnell - N6ML
Topic: 20341 Message: 20376

There's nothing in part 97 that restricts where a station is located
(i.e. it doesn't have to be on real estate that I own, or anything
like that). I can designate my neighbour's station to be my station
when I want to operate from there, without violating any part 97
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that contacts must either be made by the licensee, or from the station
normally operated by the licencee, to get around this - i.e. it would
not violate part 97 if I had my friend work some rare DX from his
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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-15 05:02:24 UTC
From: John G.
Topic: 20377 Message: 20377

The one good thing the FCC did regarding callsigns (now here is a sign of the apocolypse-I agreed with an FCC decision) was to designate special prefixes for Kure Is and Desecheo. Before that, Kure was just another KH6 and Desecheo was a KP4. Navassa Island used to be KC4-the same prefix as Antarctica! I bet there was some confusion back in those days.

Of course more recently the FCC raided the Kure Island prefix to give Hawaii more 2 x 1 and 2 x 2 callsigns, and they probably will do the same to KP5 once Puerto Rico uses up the KP3 prefixes.

I wish they could come up with special prefixes for Kingman Reef, Swains Island, and Kure again. How about KP6 for Kingman (its old prefix), KP7 for Kure (similar to KH7) and KP8 for Swains (similar to KH8). I don't see the US getting any additional Carribean Territories in the near future to save the KP prefixes for, but I guess one never knows.

One of my prized possessions is a KH7AA QSL from Kure, the first (and probably only) Kure Island callsign to be issued.

Other than using CY9 and CY0 for the Atlantic territories which count for separate DXCC countries, it sounds like Canada doesn't do things much differently than you proposed Al. Any idea why they chose to use VY2 for PEI?

73 John AF5CC

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From: ve1al@...
To: DX-IS@...m
Sent: Tuesday, January 15, 2013 3:01 AM
Subject: [SPAM]RE: [SPAM]RE: [SPAM]RE: [DX-IS] YUK

I haven't heard a VE0 for a very long time, John. I know there are some shipboard stations active but they're always on SSB and I don't work much of that mode.

My plan would have used all the V prefixes from VA1A-VG0ZZZ, VO1A-VO0ZZZ, VX1A-VY0ZZZ. That would have left the CF1A-CK0ZZZ, CY9A-CY0ZZZ and the XJ1A-XO0ZZZ blocks for SES operations. I even suggested at that time (back in the early 80s) that individuals be allowed to permanently hold single-letter suffixes for contest and DX activity. Two and three-letter suffixes would have supplied Canada until...well, forever. Today I'd add a foundation-type of license in which the applicant's callsign would include an "F" like in Australia.

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I know that VE0 is for MM stations, but how often are those issued? Would love to have one of those in my collection. How different was your idea from what is currently in place for Canada?

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Sent: Monday, January 14, 2013 11:10 PM
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Yes there are a few OTs who have kept their old VE1 calls. They're mostly the guys who chew the rag on 80. Mind you, there are at least two guys in NB who are heard on HF but I can't think of anyone from PEI who's an HF type using a VE1 call.

OTOH, the issuance of the VE9 and VY2 prefixes a is a whole other discussion.

Years ago I presented a logical plan of using all of the "V" prefixes we have in Canada to what was then the Canadian Amateur Radio Federation. It was dismissed by the executive -- all of whom, as I recall, were old farts in their mid to late 60s and 70s.

Hey, John, I'm all for change if it makes logical sense and serves a purpose. What the FCC did made no logical sense and helped no one.

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logical system for indicating the relative location of its amateur radio operator's locations using ten districts. Everyone knew that W7 was near the left coast and that W1 was the northeast. So, in that respect, I am an OT. A KH6 was in Hawaii, a KL7 in Alaska, and each of the ten districts of CONUS indicated the QTH of the operator. I totally disagree with the policy of issuing 1x1 calls for DXpeditions and many SES operations. An N8 is in the 8th call area, not in the middle of the Pacific Ocean. A K4 operating from Puerto Rico ain't the way I would identify a KP4.

Do England, France and Germany have identifiable districts? Not an issue because each of them is miniscule compared to the USA. You know that a VE1 is in Nova Scotia (with few exceptions), that a VE6 is in Alberta and that Canadians operating in provinces other than their home location append an indicator of that other place or they get another call...just like I did when I operated VE3FRA while I lived in Ontario. Unless you use DXLabs to log (I don't and won't) you can't readily know. I'll stick with what I have for logging (I really like it) and hope that a new version will include a similar location finder.

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Flame me as you will. However, I have every right to harp on this issue. Just as I have about wind power and the slaughter of whales.

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From: ve1al@...
Topic: 20377 Message: 20378

If I remember correctly, no personal calls were ever issued for the Antarctic bases. Most of the bases had club stations like KC4USx although I seem to also recall KC4AAA. Perhaps there were others.

And I think, when there were operations from KC4 Navassa they were all either stateside calls with a /KC4, like the 1971 QSL I have for W0EXD/KC4. All of the other Navassa cards I have are KP1/N0xx. I'm sure there were a few KC4xx calls issued but I don't have proof of that. However, they would have been two-letter suffixes as opposed to the three-letter suffixes issued for Antarctica.

All I'm concerned about is the issuance of definitive prefixes for definitive areas. So an N7 operating from NC is required to indicate he's in the 4th US call district. Just like an N6 operating from MA is required indicate his location in W1.

All of the 1x1 SES operations should be stopped as well.

I don't think that too much to ask from the most sophisticated nation on earth.

Now it is time for bed.

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Al, VE1AL

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of John G.
Sent: Tuesday, January 15, 2013 1:02 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [SPAM]RE: [SPAM]RE: [SPAM]RE: [DX-IS] YUK

The one good thing the FCC did regarding callsigns (now here is a sign of the apocolypse-I agreed with an FCC decision) was to designate special prefixes for Kure Is and Desecheo. Before that, Kure was just another KH6 and Desecheo was a KP4. Navassa Island used to be KC4-the same prefix as Antarctica! I bet there was some confusion back in those days.

Of course more recently the FCC raided the Kure Island prefix to give Hawaii more 2 x 1 and 2 x 2 callsigns, and they probably will do the same to KP5 once Puerto Rico uses up the KP3 prefixes.

I wish they could come up with special prefixes for Kingman Reef, Swains Island, and Kure again. How about KP6 for Kingman (its old prefix), KP7 for Kure (similar to KH7) and KP8 for Swains (similar to KH8). I don't see the US getting any additional Carribean Territories in the near future to save the KP prefixes for, but I guess one never knows.

One of my prized possessions is a KH7AA QSL from Kure, the first (and probably only) Kure Island callsign to be issued.

Other than using CY9 and CY0 for the Atlantic territories which count for separate DXCC countries, it sounds like Canada doesn't do things much differently than you proposed Al. Any idea why they chose to use VY2 for PEI?

73 John AF5CC

----- Original Message -----

From: ve1al@...
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tuesday, January 15, 2013 3:01 AM
Subject: [SPAM]RE: [SPAM]RE: [SPAM]RE: [DX-IS] YUK

I haven't heard a VE0 for a very long time, John. I know there are some shipboard stations active but they're always on SSB and I don't work much of that mode.

My plan would have used all the V prefixes from VA1A-VG0ZZZ, VO1A-VO0ZZZ, VX1A-VY0ZZZ. That would have left the CF1A-CK0ZZZ, CY9A-CY0ZZZ and the XJ1A-XO0ZZZ blocks for SES operations. I even suggested at that time (back in the early 80s) that individuals be allowed to permanently hold single-letter suffixes for contest and DX activity. Two and three-letter suffixes would have supplied Canada until...well, forever. Today I'd add a foundation-type of license in which the applicant's callsign would include an "F" like in Australia.

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Al, VE1AL

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of John G.
Sent: Monday, January 14, 2013 9:18 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [SPAM]RE: [SPAM]RE: [DX-IS] YUK

I know that VE0 is for MM stations, but how often are those issued? Would love to have one of those in my collection. How different was your idea from what is currently in place for Canada?

John AF5CC

----- Original Message -----
From: ve1al@...
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, January 14, 2013 11:10 PM
Subject: [SPAM]RE: [SPAM]RE: [DX-IS] YUK

Yes there are a few OTs who have kept their old VE1 calls. They're mostly the guys who chew the rag on 80. Mind you, there are at least two guys in NB who are heard on HF but I can't think of anyone from PEI who's an HF type using a VE1 call.

OTOH, the issuance of the VE9 and VY2 prefixes a is a whole other discussion.

Years ago I presented a logical plan of using all of the "V" prefixes we have in Canada to what was then the Canadian Amateur Radio Federation. It was dismissed by the executive -- all of whom, as I recall, were old farts in their mid to late 60s and 70s.

Hey, John, I'm all for change if it makes logical sense and serves a purpose. What the FCC did made no logical sense and helped no one.

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Al, VE1AL

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of John G.
Sent: Monday, January 14, 2013 6:54 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [SPAM]RE: [DX-IS] YUK

Hi Al,

I have a somewhat related question you can hopefully answer for me. I am not trying to fan the flames, I am asking out of curiousity. When I was first licensed, VE1 consisted on NB, NS and PEI. At some point NB became VE9 and PEI became VY2. Did hams in those provinces have to change their calls to the new prefix? If not, do you know if there are many VE1s still in NB or PEI?

73 John AF5CC

----- Original Message -----
From: ve1al@...
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, January 14, 2013 9:30 PM
Subject: [SPAM]RE: [DX-IS] YUK

To those who have rightly pointed it out, I AM NOT AN AMERICAN CITIZEN. Do I, however, have the right to talk about this callsign issue? You can bet your sweet bippy I do.

As a DXer, I strongly disagree with the FCC's abandonment of the call area system. I point out to you that the USA, as one of the largest countries on the planet, used to have a logical system for indicating the relative location of its amateur radio operator's locations using ten districts. Everyone knew that W7 was near the left coast and that W1 was the northeast. So, in that respect, I am an OT. A KH6 was in Hawaii, a KL7 in Alaska, and each of the ten districts of CONUS indicated the QTH of the operator. I totally disagree with the policy of issuing 1x1 calls for DXpeditions and many SES operations. An N8 is in the 8th call area, not in the middle of the Pacific Ocean. A K4 operating from Puerto Rico ain't the way I would identify a KP4.

Do England, France and Germany have identifiable districts? Not an issue because each of them is miniscule compared to the USA. You know that a VE1 is in Nova Scotia (with few exceptions), that a VE6 is in Alberta and that Canadians operating in provinces other than their home location append an indicator of that other place or they get another call...just like I did when I operated VE3FRA while I lived in Ontario. Unless you use DXLabs to log (I don't and won't) you can't readily know. I'll stick with what I have for logging (I really like it) and hope that a new version will include a similar location finder.

US amateurs who follow the letter of the law are, in my estimation, being unethical because they know full well that they are not being truthful with the guy at the other end who expects that a W1 in Arizona isn't being forthwith. The guy might need Maine for WAS and what he gets is just another Arizonan. Likewise the guy who works an N7 in NC might have needed Nevada for WAS. Needless to say, I could go on and on.

Those guys just aren't being honest. They're not using common sense for us guys outside the US. However, without having given any thought to the chaos it would unleash, the FCC says you can do it, because like other government agencies in most other countries, they don't give a rat's ass about our hobby. But other large countries like Canada, Australia, China, Russia and Brazil have prefix systems that indicate where operators are. All I ask is: Why can't the USA re-introduce some sanity to their call-sign system?

So, we're given the task (I hate "tasked") of regulating ourselves. Don't be something you're not. Be ethical.

And yes, I did call WH6LE an a**hole and the FCC a bunch of jerks. I called the WH6 down because he would seem to know better and I feel the FCC made a horrible mistake. My own government has done some stupid things when it comes to ham radio. But nothing quite as moronic as this. And, as Ron said, most government agencies are run by less than logical people who just naturally fall into that category.

Few of you guys who operate with your original calls from locations outside that area will admit that what I'm saying is true. Of course, you have a vested interest in protecting your precious call. Me, I just don't plan to move again from VE1. I've got my dream call. Rest assured, however, that if I do, I will change my call to indicate my area of residency. Unless I

retire to Florida or Arizona. Then I'll be VE1AL/W4 or VE1AL/W7. Our Japanese friends won't get excited.

Flame me as you will. However, I have every right to harp on this issue. Just as I have about wind power and the slaughter of whales.

73

Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Ron Notarius W3WN
Sent: Monday, January 14, 2013 1:37 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] YUK

Dang, hit the send key prematurely.

Ahem.

Al, a non-resident who is spouting a US call has done two things:

(1) Passed an FCC exam - somewhere

(2) Given the FCC a "permanent" mailing address somewhere within the jurisdiction of the US Postal Service

So, as far as the FCC knows, they are a "permanent" resident.

That many of these "permanent" addresses are merely mail drops, or a buddy's address, or a QSL manager's address. or worse. IIRC, at one time, many of the KH2 calls were using KG6DX's home address, without his permission.

In short, they figured out a way to "beat" the system.

Now. I don't like it any more than you or anyone else does. How do we fix it? Without creating a paperwork burden on the FCC?

.and I know that AE7Q, for one, has offered on many occasions to take over running the call system database management & do so on behalf of the FCC, at least for the Amateur service. But they've yet to take him up on his offer.

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of ve1al@...
Sent: Monday, January 14, 2013 12:18 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com

Subject: RE: [DX-IS] YUK

On an entirely different note, I would like to see the FCC stop issuing US calls to non-resident citizens, even if they write an FCC exam. Like in most other nations, visitors to US soil should use their own nationally assigned calls with a prefix ID for the area from which they operate. So JH1xxx cannot obtain a KH0 call and would have to operate as KH0/JH1xxx unless he were to take up permanent residency on KH0. If I were to operate from FL during a two-week vacation, I should not be allowed to be anything but VE1AL/W4. Were I, however, to moved for 6-months a year to Orlando, I should be able to write the FCC exam and get a W4 call.

73

Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of ve1al@...
Sent: Monday, January 14, 2013 1:05 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] YUK

Hi Ron,

Well, I accept all of what you have said. However, I suspect that if the ARRL, as the national organization in the US, were to take on this issue, something could, in fact, be done. What particularly depresses me is US-licensed stations from outside the CONUS (and that includes KLs who actually are in NA) are not mandated to append the suffix for the area from which they are operating. A KP4 operating from NYC, a KH2 in FL, a KP2 in NH, a KL7 in CO or a W6 in MA, an N6 in GA, N7 in NC...all of these, to me, are ethically wrong.

My views about W1s operating from FL, AZ and so on are well known to readers of this reflector. Yes, the current law is the law. That doesn't mean it is correct. And to me those guys who have moved to other areas of the US and don't change their calls to reflect that area or use a portable identifier are equally unethical.

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Ron Notarius W3WN
Sent: Monday, January 14, 2013 12:25 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] YUK

Al,

The FCC is run by bureaucrats and professional politicians who are, for the most part, lawyers or had a legal background. Not engineers or technically

trained people.

In short, to call them jerks (or worse) is at best redundant. It goes without saying.

That said, the mistake was made in 1977, when the current callsign sequential allocation system was designed, and actually began in March 1978 when that system was implemented. So after 35 years. they must figure we're all used to it.

To say nothing of the fact that it would cost $$$ to reprogram the computer system. yeah, I know, it should only cost $, but this IS Government we're talking about.

I am not unsympathetic! Far from it. But, to put it bluntly, it ain't gettn' fixed. We all have only one choice: Deal with it.

73, ron w3wn

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of ve1al@...
Sent: Monday, January 14, 2013 11:08 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] YUK

Just got all excited when I heard a WH6 on 17M far earlier in the day than I would have expected. Called him, got him and learned that he wasn't in Hawaii at all but in North Carolina. A**HOLE for not signing /W4. Once again, I blame the FCC for this inexcusable confusion. They created it and they can fix it. JERKS.

73

Al, VE1AL

20379. Re: [DX-IS] YUK

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-15 11:06:56 UTC
From: Roger D Johnson
Topic: 20341 Message: 20379

So what you're saying is that there is really no State Farm club station.
It's actually your own station at your home. This little fiction allows
you to obtain another call for your own personal use. perhaps not illegal
but it does strike me as being selfish as it deprives anyone here in 1 land
from obtaining that call.

73, Roger

GARY HUBER wrote:
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> And if there was no physical HF station for the N1SF Radio Club, is the
> trustee of the radio club unable to use the call? Perhaps you should
> look up N1SF on QRZ.com and note the license address is my home as is AB9M.
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> I guess there are some other opinions in this matter, but in the end I
> just logged the P5/4L4FN contact as made using N1SF in my log and never
> even requested a QSL. It was no shenanigan, it wasn’t borrowed, and in
> my role as control operator / trustee it was a valid contact as my only
> interest was to determine if I could work Ed from my station with my
> call IF I got the chance.
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> 73 ES DX,
> Gary -- AB9M
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http://www.usslibertyveterans.org/
http://www.gtr5.com/

20380. Re: [DX-IS] YUK

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-15 11:12:12 UTC
From: Roger D Johnson
Topic: 20341 Message: 20380

Your comprehension of the English language is seriously deficient! It always amazes me that someone can read a paragraph in simple English and swear up and down that it means something completely different.

73, Roger

iain macdonnell - N6ML wrote:
> There's nothing in part 97 that restricts where a station is located
> (i.e. it doesn't have to be on real estate that I own, or anything
> like that). I can designate my neighbour's station to be my station
> when I want to operate from there, without violating any part 97
> rules. I could also designate it as my station and authorise him (or
> anyone else, with the appropriate license class) to operate there,
> using my callsign, if I so-desired. The DXCC rules necessarily state
> that contacts must either be made by the licensee, or from the station
> normally operated by the licencee, to get around this - i.e. it would
> not violate part 97 if I had my friend work some rare DX from his
> station using my callsign, but that contact would not be valid for
> DXCC.
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> 73,
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> ~iain / N6ML
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20381. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-15 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 20381

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:Issued: 2013 Jan 15 1229 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
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SIDC URSIGRAM 30115
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 15 Jan 2013, 1201UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 15 Jan 2013 until 17 Jan 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >= 50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 15 Jan 2013 10CM FLUX: 150 / AP: 001
PREDICTIONS FOR 16 Jan 2013 10CM FLUX: 145 / AP: 001
PREDICTIONS FOR 17 Jan 2013 10CM FLUX: 140 / AP: 001
COMMENT: Solar activity has become less active in the last 24 hours
with the decay of NOAA AR 1652. There were several C flares coming from
both NOAA AR 1652 and 1654 with the strongest one a C3.4 flare from NOAA
AR 1654 peaking at 15:46 UT. C flaring is still likely to occur
especially from NOAA AR 1654 with a small chance for an M-flare.
There was a filament eruption in the South-West region around 7:15 UT
associated with a CME, but it is unlikely to become geo-effective. An
increase of the electron levels (especially 0.8 MeV) has been detected
since January 14th 06:30 UT and has reached a maximum level of almost
50000 pfu since January 14th 15:00 UT and this level has been maintained
until now.
Geomagnetic conditions have been quiet and are expected to remain so
for the next 48 hours.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 077, BASED ON 04 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 14 Jan 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 154
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 012
AK WINGST : 010
ESTIMATED AP : 009
ESTIMATED ISN : 085, BASED ON 18 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
END
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20382. Please tone it down

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-15 14:39:36 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 20382 Message: 20382

I am as guilty as everyone else (I used the term a**hole without the ** yesterday.) However, we are now starting to get into ad hominem remarks. We had one person unsubscribe this morning. He gave no explanation why, but the bickering over the FCC's regulations and nit-picking over the difference between legal, ethical and moral operating might be a factor. No one cares who worked P5/4L4FN, or how they did it. It was 11 years ago.

Let's try to keep it DX related here. A good place to fight is the QRZ.COM forums. Ifthat is still too tame, find a usenet group. That's the wild west of the Internet and anything goes there! :-)

73, Paul VE1DX (co-owner of this list)

20383. Ohio/Penn DX Special Bulletin #1095.1

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-15 14:43:51 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 20383 Message: 20383

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Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

Thanks to the Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society, Northern Ohio DX Association, Ohio/Penn PacketCluster Network, AB5K & the AR TelNet Clusters Network, W2VU and W6SZN for the following DX information.

CQ NEWS (Ron Ochu, KO0Z, Named CQ Beginners Editor). Richard, W2VU, Editor of CQ Amateur Radio, sent out the following:
FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: January 14, 2013

Ron Ochu, KO0Z, Named CQ Magazine Beginners Editor

(Hicksville, NY January 14, 2013) ☐ Ron Ochu, KO0Z, of Girard, Illinois, has been named Beginners Editor of CQ Amateur Radio magazine, Editor Rich Moseson, W2VU, announced today. He will begin writing the "Learning Curve" column as of the April 2013 issue. Ochu succeeds Rich Arland, K7SZ, who stepped down after a decade of writing various columns for several CQ Communications magazines.

Ochu is a recently-retired high school English teacher and ham radio license instructor. A ham since 1974, he has held an Extra Class license since 1982. His ham radio interests include DXing, antennas, VHF/UHF/SHF, RTTY and contesting, but notes that "nothing beats a good, down to earth ragchew with a fellow ham." In addition to ham radio, Ron enjoys photography, reading and spending time with his grandchildren. His wife, Debbie, is KC9ULA.

CQ Editor Rich Moseson said, "I am looking forward to working with Ron. His wide-ranging interests and experience both as a teacher and in working with new hams should be just the right formula for the 'Learning Curve' column, which is aimed both at new hams and at more experienced hams learning new aspects of the hobby."

"My hope is to encourage readers to discover and to experience, first hand, the many many avenues for growth and personal satisfaction that our hobby makes available," said Ochu. "I hope that my passion will be evident and perhaps even a little contagious!"

YASME NEWS (Press Release--Revised). Kip, W6SZN, sent out the revised press release that clarifies some statements made in our December 7, 2012 press release:
FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
(Revision to December 7, 2012 Press Release)

January 14, 2013
Temple Hills, Maryland

[The following revision of our original award announcement clarifies the relative contributions of award recipients G3PLX and SP9VRC. The Yasme Foundation apologizes for creating any confusion about the origins of PSK31.]

YASME EXCELLENCE AWARDS AND SUPPORTING GRANTS

The Yasme Excellence Award is awarded to individuals who through their own service, creativity, effort and dedication have made a significant contribution to amateur radio. The contribution may be in recognition of technical, operating or organizational achievement, as all three are necessary for amateur radio to grow and prosper. The Yasme Excellence Award is in the form of a cash grant and an individually-engraved crystal globe.

The Board of Directors of The Yasme Foundation is pleased to announce the award of the Yasme Excellence Award to the following individuals:

- George Fremin, K5TR; Tree Tyree, N6TR; Trey Garlough, N5KO; and Scott Neader, KA9FOX for their contributions to many infrastructure projects that benefit the ham community at large
- Mark Spencer, WA8SME for his instrumental work in the ARRL Teachers Institute and other training efforts, development of PIC microcontroller projects and books for amateurs, and work with leaders in student and scientific teams applying amateur radio to scientific projects and experiments
- Champ Muangamphun, E21EIC, and Pornchai Semjang, HS2JFW, for leadership in the Thai amateur community, especially during the recent flooding which helped open the door to the new Thai HF licensing and enhanced the stature of amateur radio with the Thai government
- Tomas Hood, NW7US, and Carl Luetzelschwab, K9LA, for sustained education of the amateur community regarding propagation, solar and geomagnetic physics
- David Freese, W1HKJ, for creating and maintaining the freeware software package FLDIGI, probably the most widely used digital communication software in ham radio and a frequent gateway for new hams who are more familiar with computer-based communications
- Dean Straw, N6BV, for his contributions to amateur antenna system design and the development of software tools such as HFTA to optimize system design
- Peter Martinez, G3PLX, and Pawel Jalocha, SP9VRC, for their individual and distinct contributions to digital communications technology. Peter Martinez is recognized for his invention of PSK31, a widely used digital mode that enables many amateurs to successfully communicate on HF with very modest stations. Pawel Jalocha, SP9VRC is recognized for his

contributions to the field of digital signal processing as applied to
communications systems that are used by amateurs, such as the mode
Olivia.
- Arie Kleingeld, PA3A; Ad Van Ginneken, PA8AD; and Arie, PA3AN for their
sustained contributions to the Mercy Ships Project

Thank you for your fine work and congratulations to you all!

The Board of Directors also announces supporting grants to the following:
- WRTC 2014 (www.wrtc2014.org)

- World Wide Radio Operators Foundation (www.wwrof.org)

- Club Log (www.clublog.org)

- NCDXF Beacon Project (www.ncdxf.org)

- Yasme Scholarships (administered by ARRL) (www.arrl.org)

- Amateur Radio Association of Kosovo (SHARK)

The Yasme Foundation is a not-for-profit corporation organized to conduct
scientific and educational projects related to Amateur Radio, including
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mail to me via " kb8nw@... "...... TNX de Tedd KB8NW
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PLEASE NOTICE (as of February 12th), NEW ADDRESS CHANGES FOR THE
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Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@...?subject=unsubscribe>
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Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW - kb8nw@... --or-- kb8nw@...
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President of the "Northern Ohio DX Association" (NODXA)
DX Chairman for the "Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society
ARRL Assistant Director of the Great Lakes Division
Sysop of the "Basic Amateur Radio Frequency BBS" (BARF80.ORG)

20384. Re: [DX-IS] YUK

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-15 14:54:28 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 20341 Message: 20384

Our local club has a callsign. We use it for a repeater. Other than that, it gets used on Field Day each year. That's about it. Another local club has a callsign. The club trustee sometimes uses it from home but it also roves around - various members have used it in contests now and then. Neither have a club station.

In fact, a majority of club calls I know of have been assigned to trustees who do not have a separate club station location from which to operate. That doesn't mean there isn't a club. Gary never said there isn't a State Farm Radio Club.

73, Zack W9SZ

On 1/15/13, Roger D Johnson <n1rj@...> wrote:
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20385. Re: [DX-IS] YUK

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-15 15:10:27 UTC
From: John G.
Topic: 20341 Message: 20385

I know of quite a few clubs that only exist on paper so the trustee can get another callsign to use. For quite a while, the FCC didn't issue club licenses and radio clubs got along just fine without them. I think we might need to return to that point. If a club wants to get up a repeater or a FD station, use one of the member's calls on it.

After a WPX contest, go thru QRZ and check out how many 2 x 1 calls actually belonged to "clubs", many who have as a trustee a well known contester.

John AF5CC

----- Original Message -----
From: "Zack Widup" <w9sz.zack@...>
To: <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 15, 2013 2:54 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] YUK

Our local club has a callsign. We use it for a repeater. Other than that, it gets used on Field Day each year. That's about it. Another local club has a callsign. The club trustee sometimes uses it from home but it also roves around - various members have used it in contests now and then. Neither have a club station.

In fact, a majority of club calls I know of have been assigned to trustees who do not have a separate club station location from which to operate. That doesn't mean there isn't a club. Gary never said there isn't a State Farm Radio Club.

73, Zack W9SZ

On 1/15/13, Roger D Johnson <n1rj@...> wrote:
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> It's actually your own station at your home. This little fiction allows
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Yahoo! Groups Links

20386. Re: [DX-IS] YUK

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-15 15:13:10 UTC
From: iain macdonnell - N6ML
Topic: 20341 Message: 20386

I'll try to ignore the personal insult for now. Which paragraph am I
failing to comprehend?

~iain / N6ML

On Tue, Jan 15, 2013 at 3:12 AM, Roger D Johnson <n1rj@...> wrote:
> Your comprehension of the English language is seriously deficient! It
> always amazes me that someone can read a paragraph in simple English
> and swear up and down that it means something completely different.
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>> rules. I could also designate it as my station and authorise him (or
>> anyone else, with the appropriate license class) to operate there,
>> using my callsign, if I so-desired. The DXCC rules necessarily state
>> that contacts must either be made by the licensee, or from the station
>> normally operated by the licencee, to get around this - i.e. it would
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20387. Re: [DX-IS] YUK

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-15 16:01:22 UTC
From: Ron Notarius W3WN
Topic: 20341 Message: 20387

Haven't dealt with too many lawyers & politicians then, have you?

(or is that redundant?)

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Yahoo! Groups Links

20388. Re: [DX-IS] YUK

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-15 19:06:53 UTC
From: GARY HUBER
Topic: 20341 Message: 20388

Roger, I think you've already made up your mind. The N1SF Club exists today as it did back in 2002 and before; we have members and we have a fair amount of HF equipment, but no permanent HF station location unless storage cabinets count. The VHF station is a separate matter but nonetheless the FCC assigns the trustee's primary license address as the club station address. In fact I listed the VHF station's address for the N1SF Radio Club and it still was issued to my home address.

So let's return the thread to disparaging remarks towards the regulatory agencies rather than telling stories of DX and propagation.... I tried to talk about P5 but became the target of those who would question my ethics.

Game on, the puck has been dropped!

73 ES DX,
Gary -- AB9M

From: Roger D Johnson
Sent: Tuesday, January 15, 2013 5:06 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] YUK

So what you're saying is that there is really no State Farm club station.
It's actually your own station at your home. This little fiction allows
you to obtain another call for your own personal use. perhaps not illegal
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20389. Re: [DX-IS] YUK

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-15 20:08:18 UTC
From: Richard Solomon
Topic: 20341 Message: 20389

I guess some folks just don't know how the Club Call Sign is assigned or what the regs are.

There are many Club Call Signs that are assigned to Clubs that have no physical facilities.
That means any Club Member can use the call as long as the Trustee is aware of who
does what when. Typically, the address of the Club Call is the Trustees address.

I agree, let's get back to DX and stop the name calling and the personal insults. Most
of us are above such tactics.

73, Dick, W1KSZ

On Tue, Jan 15, 2013 at 12:06 PM, GARY HUBER <glhuber@...> wrote:

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> *Sent:* Tuesday, January 15, 2013 5:06 AM
> *To:* DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> *Subject:* Re: [DX-IS] YUK
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20390. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-16 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 20390

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:Issued: 2013 Jan 16 1221 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30116
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 16 Jan 2013, 1155UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 16 Jan 2013 until 18 Jan 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >= 50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 16 Jan 2013 10CM FLUX: 135 / AP: 001
PREDICTIONS FOR 17 Jan 2013 10CM FLUX: 132 / AP: 001
PREDICTIONS FOR 18 Jan 2013 10CM FLUX: 129 / AP: 001
COMMENT: Solar activity has been eruptive featuring several C-flare
with the largest one a C1.8 flare from AR NOAA 1654. C flaring is likely
to occur with a small chance for an M-flare.
Electron levels remain on the same high value around 40000 pfu.
Geomagnetic conditions have been quiet and are expected to remain so
for the next 48 hours.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 065, BASED ON 07 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 15 Jan 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 140
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 009
AK WINGST : 005
ESTIMATED AP : 005
ESTIMATED ISN : 076, BASED ON 06 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
END
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20391. Apology

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-16 13:49:09 UTC
From: Roger D Johnson
Topic: 20341 Message: 20391

I recently disparaged Iain, N6ML, on this forum so it's only right that I apologize to him here also. It appears that the FCC has changed their rule sohat amateur stations are not required to have a designated location. It also appears that they failed to change 97.119 (station identification) to match. I guess they weren't satisfied with just screwing up the callsign allocation system!

I'm sorry Iain! Time to go eat my crow.

73, Roger

20392. Apology

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-16 17:26:50 UTC
From: Roger D Johnson
Topic: 20341 Message: 20392

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20393. Re: [DX-IS] Apology

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-16 23:06:40 UTC
From: GARY HUBER
Topic: 20341 Message: 20393

Good job Roger..... and by the way the original address for N1SF was,

Number 1 State Farm plaza

Bloomington Illinois, 61710

I notice your call is N1RJ..... isn’t that one of those VANITY calls?

73 ES DX,
Gary -- AB9M
From: Roger D Johnson
Sent: Wednesday, January 16, 2013 7:49 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] Apology

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73, Roger

20394. RE: [DX-IS] YUK

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-17 03:07:08 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 20341 Message: 20394

Hi Al (my Canadian friend in Canada),

Well anything can be fixed, the USA has been credited with some marvellous achievements in history, not being the least put a man on the moon and in fact 12 men on the moon!

All that is needed is the desire, who cares about the cost and money (moon missions aren't cheap either). Not everyone is going to be happy over there though. We all get very fond and possessive of our calls and when you tell e.g. K1XX in California who moved from Connecticut many years ago that he is going to have to change his call (to something like K6XX) I don't think he will be too pleased. However if the benefit is sold properly and the situation is explained correctly, surely some common sense will prevail.

If the FCC aren't going to do it, the ARRL could take leadership on this and who knows perhaps France will follow on.

73, Lance - VK6DU

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of ve1al@...
Sent: Tuesday, 15 January 2013 5:31 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] YUK

To those who have rightly pointed it out, I AM NOT AN AMERICAN CITIZEN. Do I, however, have the right to talk about this callsign issue? You can bet your sweet bippy I do.

As a DXer, I strongly disagree with the FCC's abandonment of the call area system. I point out to you that the USA, as one of the largest countries on the planet, used to have a logical system for indicating the relative location of its amateur radio operator's locations using ten districts. Everyone knew that W7 was near the left coast and that W1 was the northeast. So, in that respect, I am an OT. A KH6 was in Hawaii, a KL7 in Alaska, and each of the ten districts of CONUS indicated the QTH of the operator. I totally disagree with the policy of issuing 1x1 calls for DXpeditions and many SES operations. An N8 is in the 8th call area, not in the middle of the Pacific Ocean. A K4 operating from Puerto Rico ain't the way I would identify a KP4.

Do England, France and Germany have identifiable districts? Not an issue because each of them is miniscule compared to the USA. You know that a VE1 is in Nova Scotia (with few exceptions), that a VE6 is in Alberta and that Canadians operating in provinces other than their home location append an indicator of that other place or they get another call...just like I did when I operated VE3FRA while I lived in Ontario. Unless you use DXLabs to log (I don't and won't) you can't readily know. I'll stick with what I have for logging (I really like it) and hope that a new version will include a similar location finder.

US amateurs who follow the letter of the law are, in my estimation, being unethical because they know full well that they are not being truthful with the guy at the other end who expects that a W1 in Arizona isn't being forthwith. The guy might need Maine for WAS and what he gets is just another Arizonan. Likewise the guy who works an N7 in NC might have

needed Nevada for WAS. Needless to say, I could go on and on.

Those guys just aren't being honest. They're not using common sense for us guys outside the US. However, without having given any thought to the chaos it would unleash, the FCC says you can do it, because like other government agencies in most other countries, they don't give a rat's ass about our hobby. But other large countries like Canada, Australia, China, Russia and Brazil have prefix systems that indicate where operators are. All I ask is: Why can't the USA re-introduce some sanity to their call-sign system?

So, we're given the task (I hate "tasked") of regulating ourselves. Don't be something you're not. Be ethical.

And yes, I did call WH6LE an a**hole and the FCC a bunch of jerks. I called the WH6 down because he would seem to know better and I feel the FCC made a horrible mistake. My own government has done some stupid things when it comes to ham radio. But nothing quite as moronic as this. And, as Ron said, most government agencies are run by less than logical people who just naturally fall into that category.

Few of you guys who operate with your original calls from locations outside that area will admit that what I'm saying is true. Of course, you have a vested interest in protecting your precious call. Me, I just don't plan to move again from VE1. I've got my dream call. Rest assured, however, that if I do, I will change my call to indicate my area of residency. Unless I retire to Florida or Arizona. Then I'll be VE1AL/W4 or VE1AL/W7. Our Japanese friends won't get excited.

Flame me as you will. However, I have every right to harp on this issue. Just as I have about wind power and the slaughter of whales.

73

Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com<mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com> [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Ron Notarius W3WN
Sent: Monday, January 14, 2013 1:37 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com<mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] YUK

Dang, hit the send key prematurely...

Ahem.

Al, a non-resident who is spouting a US call has done two things:

(1) Passed an FCC exam - somewhere
(2) Given the FCC a "permanent" mailing address somewhere within the jurisdiction of the US Postal Service

So, as far as the FCC knows, they are a "permanent" resident.

That many of these "permanent" addresses are merely mail drops, or a buddy's address, or a QSL manager's address... or worse. IIRC, at one time, many of the KH2 calls were using KG6DX's home address, without his permission.

In short, they figured out a way to "beat" the system.

Now... I don't like it any more than you or anyone else does. How do we fix it? Without creating a paperwork burden on the FCC?

...and I know that AE7Q, for one, has offered on many occasions to take over running the call system database management & do so on behalf of the FCC, at least for the Amateur service. But they've yet to take him up on his offer.

73

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com<mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com> [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com]
On Behalf Of ve1al@...<mailto:ve1al@eastlink.ca>
Sent: Monday, January 14, 2013 12:18 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com<mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] YUK

On an entirely different note, I would like to see the FCC stop issuing US calls to non-resident citizens, even if they write an FCC exam. Like in most other nations, visitors to US soil should use their own nationally assigned calls with a prefix ID for the area from which they operate. So JH1xxx cannot obtain a KH0 call and would have to operate as KH0/JH1xxx unless he were to take up permanent residency on KH0. If I were to operate from FL during a two-week vacation, I should not be allowed to be anything but VE1AL/W4. Were I, however, to moved for 6-months a year to Orlando, I should be able to write the FCC exam and get a W4 call.

73

Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com<mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com> [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com]
On Behalf Of ve1al@...<mailto:ve1al@...>
Sent: Monday, January 14, 2013 1:05 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com<mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] YUK
Hi Ron,

Well, I accept all of what you have said. However, I suspect that if the ARRL, as the national organization in the US, were to take on this issue, something could, in fact, be done. What particularly depresses me is US-licensed stations from outside the CONUS (and that includes KLs who actually are in NA) are not mandated to append the suffix for the area from which they are operating. A KP4 operating from NYC, a KH2 in FL, a KP2 in NH, a KL7 in CO or a W6 in MA, an N6 in GA, N7 in NC...all of these, to me, are ethically wrong.

My views about W1s operating from FL, AZ and so on are well known to readers of this reflector. Yes, the current law is the law. That doesn't mean it is correct. And to me those guys who have moved to other areas of the US and don't change their calls to reflect that area or use a portable identifier are equally unethical.

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com<mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com> [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com]
On Behalf Of Ron Notarius W3WN
Sent: Monday, January 14, 2013 12:25 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com<mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>

Subject: RE: [DX-IS] YUK
Al,

The FCC is run by bureaucrats and professional politicians who are, for the most part, lawyers or had a legal background. Not engineers or technically trained people.

In short, to call them jerks (or worse) is at best redundant. It goes without saying.

That said, the mistake was made in 1977, when the current callsign sequential allocation system was designed, and actually began in March 1978 when that system was implemented. So after 35 years... they must figure we're all used to it.

To say nothing of the fact that it would cost $$$ to reprogram the computer system... yeah, I know, it should only cost $, but this IS Government we're talking about.

I am not unsympathetic! Far from it. But, to put it bluntly, it ain't gettn' fixed. We all have only one choice: Deal with it.

73, ron w3wn

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com<mailto:DX-IS@...m> [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of ve1al@...<mailto:ve1al@...>
Sent: Monday, January 14, 2013 11:08 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com<mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Subject: [DX-IS] YUK

Just got all excited when I heard a WH6 on 17M far earlier in the day than I would have expected. Called him, got him and learned that he wasn't in Hawaii at all but in North Carolina. A**HOLE for not signing /W4. Once again, I blame the FCC for this inexcusable confusion. They created it and they can fix it. JERKS.

73

Al, VE1AL

20395. Re: [DX-IS] Apology

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-17 03:15:17 UTC
From: iain macdonnell - N6ML
Topic: 20341 Message: 20395

No worries, Roger. I had a good cry, and I'm over it now ;)

73/DX,

~iain / N6ML

On Wed, Jan 16, 2013 at 5:49 AM, Roger D Johnson <n1rj@roadrunner.com> wrote:
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20396. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-17 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 20396

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:Issued: 2013 Jan 17 1204 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30117
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 17 Jan 2013, 1146UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 17 Jan 2013 until 19 Jan 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Quiet conditions (<50% probability of C-class flares)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 17 Jan 2013 10CM FLUX: 132 / AP: 010
PREDICTIONS FOR 18 Jan 2013 10CM FLUX: 129 / AP: 003
PREDICTIONS FOR 19 Jan 2013 10CM FLUX: 125 / AP: 001
COMMENT: Solar activity has been quiet with one isolated C2.2 flare
originating from AR NOAA 1650. Conditions are expected to be rather
quiet, but an isolated C flare or M flare is possible especially from AR
NOAA 1654.
A partial HALO CME has been detected by LASCO C2 at January 16th 2013
19:12 UT and confirmed in STEREO A C2. The source region seems to be
NOAA 1650 on the southwest limb based on the SWAP images of Proba2.
CACTUS indicates a velocity of around 680 km/s and an angular width of
122 degrees. There is a small chance that this CME might reach Earth
around January 20th 2013 01:30 UT and become geo-effective.
The interplanetary magnetic field increased slightly to 10 nT with a
positive Bz component. Geomagnetic conditions are quiet and expected to
remain so for the next 48 hours.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 045, BASED ON 04 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 16 Jan 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 121
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 137
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 017
AK WINGST : 008
ESTIMATED AP : 007
ESTIMATED ISN : 062, BASED ON 11 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
END
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20397. Re: YUK

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-17 18:21:42 UTC
From: Bob
Topic: 20341 Message: 20397

Ridiculous! Get over it guys!

The US is a highly mobile country.

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From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 20398 Message: 20398

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20399. RE: [DX-IS] 2nd reminder

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-17 19:36:48 UTC
From: ve1al@...
Topic: 20398 Message: 20399

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20400. Re: [DX-IS] 2nd reminder

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-17 19:55:54 UTC
From: iain macdonnell - N6ML
Topic: 20398 Message: 20400

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20401. Re: [DX-IS] 2nd reminder

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-17 20:00:00 UTC
From: Brian Alsop
Topic: 20398 Message: 20401

CQ does not accept 9Q6AL either. Last years Marathon rejected credits
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73 de Brian/K3KO

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20402. DX topics

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Date: 2013-01-17 20:10:40 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 20398 Message: 20402

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(1) Because he was 3X2 at best and it got so I couldn't tell who he was coming back to, and those who did get his attention from the mid to west coast were exchanging 59+ reports with him. I was out-gunned. I could initially hear him, but he was never workable and finally faded away bit lots of west coast were still working him. Then I saw a spot comment saying he went QRT.

(2) Probably because he was dishwater weak here and the K = 5, so any auroral attenuation would attenuate your path more than mine.

(3) I don't know. I head rumors it was "iffy." Some stations that come and go from Africa seem to be bounced by the league. I just got to 9Q6AL cards in the buro, and I wondered if they were counters. I had some TT8PK ones a few years ago that about half counted -- an email exchange with the league indicated he's been there a number of times and only sent in documentation for some of the trips. It's just a feeling. I don't need it so I won't be sending in the cards. Acceptance by Club Log is a good indication they are OK for DXCC, but not a guarantee.

73, Paul VE1DX

20403. RE: [DX-IS] 2nd reminder

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-17 20:42:56 UTC
From: Robert Carroll
Topic: 20398 Message: 20403

Paul, Al, and the List

How about comments on this subject if anyone has a source: Ionosphere Drops To <http://wattsupwiththat.com/2008/12/16/earths-ionosphere-drops-to-a-new-low/> A New Low .

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Sent: Thursday, January 17, 2013 2:37 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
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20404. RE: [DX-IS] Re: YUK

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-17 20:47:20 UTC
From: KQ8M
Topic: 20341 Message: 20404

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Bob
Sent: Thursday, January 17, 2013 1:22 PM
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20405. RE: [DX-IS] Re: YUK

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-17 20:49:15 UTC
From: KQ8M
Topic: 20341 Message: 20405

Sorry I didn't see the request to stop the thread.

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20406. QSL info request

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-17 22:19:39 UTC
From: Jack
Topic: 20406 Message: 20406

Has anyone received a QSL card from TT8TT?

73,
Jack KB8RJ. In Michigan

20407. Re: [DX-IS] 2nd reminder

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-17 22:21:13 UTC
From: Kathy Bookmiller
Topic: 20398 Message: 20407

I can answer one of your queries Paul. I uploaded a100 qso's to LOTW yesterday and had my matches show up in about a minutes time. Never saw it work that fast ever in the past.
73,
Kathy

From: Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...>
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20408. Re: QSL info request

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-17 22:29:08 UTC
From: Bob
Topic: 20406 Message: 20408

Yep Dec 13 card, Dec 2 LoTW

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "Jack" wrote:
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20409. Re: QSL info request

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-17 22:32:19 UTC
From: oz4vw2006
Topic: 20406 Message: 20409

Hello Jack
Have recieved in mid Novenber
Br Arne OZ4VW

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20410. V73AX

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-17 22:35:04 UTC
From: oz4vw2006
Topic: 17842 Message: 20410

Another question about QSL

Have anyone here information who was working V73AX in August 2012
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20411. Re: [DX-IS] 2nd reminder

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-17 22:54:38 UTC
From: GARY HUBER
Topic: 20398 Message: 20411

I've been experimenting with Weak Signal Reporting System 2.11 software using the Meinberg NTP time server software, my FLEX-1500 and K9AY Loop System receiving antennas. So far the weakest signal recorded at −33 db below the −110 dBm noise floor was a W1 running +37 dBm output on 40M. The furthest signal spotted (on 40m) was a VK1 also running 5W! Additional information at http://wsprnet.org/drupal/

73 ES DX,
Gary – AB9M

PS; I did not see a 1st warning but I do regret anything I might have said to incite an uncivilized exchange here. Anyone who believes my exchanges are less than acceptable should feel free to email me directly with their complaint.

From: Robert Carroll
Sent: Thursday, January 17, 2013 2:42 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] 2nd reminder

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Date: 2013-01-17 22:59:48 UTC
From: iain macdonnell - N6ML
Topic: 17842 Message: 20412

http://www.ik3qar.it/manager/man_result.php?call=V73AX

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20413. ARLD003 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-17 23:28:21 UTC
From: jjreisert@...
Topic: 8921 Message: 20413

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ARLD003 DX news

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>From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT January 17, 2013
To all radio amateurs

SB DX ARL ARLD003
ARLD003 DX news

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by NC1L, PS7DX, The Weekly DX, the OPDX Bulletin, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, DXNL, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

TANZANIA, 5H. Sam, F6AML will be QRV as 5H1Z from Zanzibar Island, IOTA AF-032, from January 20 to February 28. Activity will be in his free time on 40 to 10 meters using CW and SSB. This may include visits to IOTAs AF-054, AF-063 and AF-075. QSL via bureau to home call.

SAMOA, 5W. Ralph is QRV as 5W0W from Apia until March. QSL via NR6M.

BAHAMAS, C6. Operators W4BUW, W8GEX, W8CAA and AA4NN plan to be QRV as C6AGH and C6DX from Great Exuma Island, IOTA NA-001, from January 20 to 27. Activity will be on 160 to 10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY with three stations. QSL C6AGH via W4BUW and C6DX via W8GEX.

CHILE, CE. Jose, CE8DMT is QRV from Puerto Williams on Navarino Island, IOTA SA-050. Activity is on 40 and 15 meters using SSB. His length of stay is unknown. QSL to home call.

ARMENIA, EK. Aram, EK6LP has been active on 12 meters around 1415z. QSL direct via RN4LP.

REUNION ISLAND, FR. Operators F8APV and F8EOI will be QRV as FR/home calls from January 21 to February 8. Activity will be on 40 to 10 meters using CW and SSB with a focus on 30 meter CW and 20 meter SSB. QSL to home calls.

ENGLAND, G. A group of operators will be QRV as GB6WLB from January 19 to 27 as part of the RNLI SOS Radio week. Activity will be on most of the HF bands. QSL via G6XOU.

COLOMBIA, HK. Lothar, DK8LRF is QRV as HK3JCL from Restrepo until March 31. Activity is on 40, 20, 17, 15 and 10 meters using SSB. QSL to home call.

DOMINICA, J7. Operators Bernie, W3UR and Tony, N3ME will be QRV as J77A and J76A, respectively, from January 22 to February 1 and January 22 to February 11, respectively. Activity will be during their spare time on 160 to 6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL to home calls.

MINAMI TORISHIMA, JD1. Take, JG8NQJ is QRV as JG8NQJ/JD1 from Marcus Island, IOTA OC-073, until mid April while on work assignment with the island's weather station. Activity will be mainly on 17 to 10 meters using CW. QSL to home call.

ANTARCTICA. Robert is QRV as LU1ZG from the Ejercito General Belgrano II Base. Of late he has been active on 20 meters using SSB between 0425 and 0510z. QSL via LU4DXU.

BRAZIL, PY. Members of the Natal Digital Group are QRV as special event station PW7F until January 20 to celebrate the 413th anniversary of Fortaleza dos Reis Magos located in the city of Natal. Activity is on 160 to 10 meters using CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL via PS7HD.

SUDAN, ST. Lourens, ZS6AKB is QRV as ST2/ZS6AKB in Kutum in the Darfur region of Sudan until June while on work assignment. Activity is in his spare time on 40, 30 and 20 meters. QSL to home call.

EGYPT, SU. Gerd, DJ5IW is QRV as SU/DJ5IW from El Fardous until February 8. Activity is on 40 to 10 meters using CW only in his spare time. QSL to home call.

INDIA, VU. Gwalior, VU2JAU is QRV as ATS150 until January 20 to commemorate the 150th birthday of orator and philosopher Swami Vivekanada. Activity of late has been on 20 meters using SSB. QSL via operator's instructions.

OPERATION APPROVED FOR DXCC CREDIT. The following operation is approved for DXCC Credit: Republic of South Sudan, Z81Z, current operation commencing January 8, 2013.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The ARRL January VHF Contest, North American SSB QSO Party, AWA Linc Cundall Memorial CW Contest, QRP CW Fox Hunt, NCCC Sprint CW Ladder, Feld Hell Sprint, LZ Open CW Contest, YL-ISSB SSB QSO Party and Hungarian DX Contest are all on tap for this upcoming weekend. The Run for the Bacon QRP CW Contest is scheduled for January 21. The SKCC CW Sprint, CWops Mini-CWT Test and QRP CW Fox Hunt are scheduled for January 23. Please see January 2013 QST, page 87, and the ARRL and WA7BNM Contest websites for details.
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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-17 23:32:43 UTC
From: ve1al@...
Topic: 20398 Message: 20414

Rumours also had indicated that 9Q/DK3MO was not valid. It is. So why would 9Q6AL (same operator) not be valid?

Where in that release does it say anything about 9Q6AL? And who said 9Q6AL wasn't valid?

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> him and from his previous 9Q/DK3MO operation and don't recall any problems.
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> From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf
> Of Paul M Dunphy
> Sent: Thursday, January 17, 2013 3:28 PM
> To: DX IS!
> Subject: [DX-IS] 2nd reminder
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> No one likes tosee the list silent, but haven't we beat this one into
> the ground? When I see insults and apologies, it tells me that we have
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count for DXCC?
> What's the optimum number of radials for a vertical if you want long
> haul performance?
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> 73, Paul VE1DX (co-owner of the DX IS! list)
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20415. RE: [DX-IS] Re: YUK

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-17 23:32:57 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 20341 Message: 20415

Hi Bob,

Good one. Highly mobile, great, just sign KB1JZU/4, I have no problem with that when you are in Florida, just like you would sign KB1JZU/KP4 if you went to Puerto Rico.

73, Lance - VK6DU

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Bob
Sent: Friday, 18 January 2013 2:22 AM
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Subject: [DX-IS] Re: YUK

Ridiculous! Get over it guys!

The US is a highly mobile country.

Case in point...I have lived in 7 states from CA to ME, and have had temporary residence in another 4.

Presently I reside in 3 states.

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Might have a case for DX countries but its just a matter of time.

Use the computer resourses at your disposal.

Bob KB1JZU

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20416. Re: V73AX

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-17 23:35:36 UTC
From: Bob
Topic: 17842 Message: 20416

WH0AI is correct. I have received a QSL from him recently.
Bob

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, iain macdonnell - N6ML wrote:
>
> http://www.ik3qar.it/manager/man_result.php?call=V73AX
>
> .. suggests WH0AI
>
> 73,
>
> ~iain / N6ML
>
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>
> On Thu, Jan 17, 2013 at 2:35 PM, oz4vw2006 wrote:
> >
> >
> >
> > Another question about QSL
> >
> > Have anyone here information who was working V73AX in August 2012
> > I have worked hin the 23 off August but need a manager / contact person
> >
> > 73 Arne OZ4VW
> >
> >
>

20417. Re: [DX-IS] 2nd reminder

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-17 23:40:16 UTC
From: iain macdonnell - N6ML
Topic: 20398 Message: 20417

I didn't say the 9Q6AL was invalid .. I said that it was "on hold" for
DXCC approval, pending receipt of documentation. It's been that way
for many months. DX stations must submit proof of their *authorised*
activities to the ARRL DXCC desk before they can be approved for DXCC
credit. Presumably DK3MO sent in docs for his 9Q/ license, but has not
sent in docs for 9Q6AL.

73,

~iain / N6ML

On Thu, Jan 17, 2013 at 3:32 PM, <ve1al@...> wrote:
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> Rumours also had indicated that 9Q/DK3MO was not valid. It is. So why
> would 9Q6AL (same operator) not be valid?
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> From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of
> iain macdonnell - N6ML
> Sent: Thursday, January 17, 2013 3:56 PM
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> Subject: Re: [DX-IS] 2nd reminder
>
> Rumour has it that 9Q6AL is not a valid license. Rumour aside, it was
> stated by NC1L, on Jan 8th 2013, that documentation has not been received
> for for 9Q6AL, so it is "on hold", as far as DXCC is concerned.
>
> 9Q/DK3MO was on hold for a long time, but finally was approved for DXCC
> credit in Dec 2010...
>
> http://www.arrl.org/news/eight-african-operations-approved-for-dxcc-credit
>
> 73,
>
> ~iain / N6ML

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> On Thu, Jan 17, 2013 at 11:36 AM, ve1al@...> wrote:
> >
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> >
> > You raise two questions I'd like answered, Paul.
> >
> > 1. Why indeed could you not hear the 5W?
> >
> > 1a. Why couldn't I hear the FK8 you worked on 17 today?
> >
> > 1b. Why couldn't I hear the same FK8 on LP on 20 a little while later?
> >
> > 2. Why would 9Q6AL not count for DXCC? I have bunches of cards from
> > him and from his previous 9Q/DK3MO operation and don't recall any
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20418. 9Q6AL and DXCC

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-17 23:42:31 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 20398 Message: 20418

On 1/17/2013 7:32 PM, ve1al@... wrote:
> Rumours also had indicated that 9Q/DK3MO was not valid. It is. So why
> would 9Q6AL (same operator) not be valid?
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Well, here for one:

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And here for another:

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And here for a third:

http://dxfor.me/?_s=9Q6AL

I have no direct knowledge, but these links suggest no
documentation has been sent in to the DXCC desk for 9Q6AL. In
particular the 2nd one is telling because CQ tends to be more lenient
than the DXCC Desk in some areas . . .

Instead of us proving 9Q6AL doesn't count, do you have any evidence
that it does count?

73, Paul VE1DX

20420. Re: YUUUUK

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-17 23:47:22 UTC
From: Bob
Topic: 20420 Message: 20420

Hi Lance

Hopefully Paul doesn't blackball me...
(can't type any better, bad news for a RTTY OP)

Just couldn't resist.

73
Bob
KB1JZU/1/FN42/MA/4237Nx7142W/Lunenburg/Desk/rightside

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> Good one. Highly mobile, great, just sign KB1JZU/4, I have no problem with
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20421. [DX-IS] QSL info request

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-17 23:57:20 UTC
From: Juhani Viitala
Topic: 20406 Message: 20421

Does any one have address for G3KEF ex. P29KE.
is he still active

73's John OH3SR

20422. Caribbean

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-18 00:05:22 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 20422 Message: 20422

Hi Guys,

I just wanted to thank J67ZF and J8/W6HGF for their patience recently in standing by for VK6.

Most of the Caribbean is direct polar path for us and even though there are lots visiting these isles, many of the ops. just work piles of NA, EU, JA, (which is understandable). It's greatly appreciated though when some of the other locations in the world are considered.

Good job guys and thank you again!

73, Lance - VK6DU

20423. RE: [DX-IS] 9Q6AL and DXCC

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-18 00:13:15 UTC
From: ve1al@...
Topic: 20398 Message: 20423

Nope. It was (and is) my belief that 9Q6AL is as "valid" as 9Q/DK3MO. And I reiterate that Club Log has not rejected my claims for 9Q6AL. So, in fact, who knows?

In the end, it doesn't matter much to me.

73

Al, VE1AL

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Paul M Dunphy
Sent: Thursday, January 17, 2013 7:43 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] 9Q6AL and DXCC

On 1/17/2013 7:32 PM, ve1al@... wrote:
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Yahoo! Groups Links

20424. RE: [DX-IS] Re: YUUUUUUUK

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-18 00:15:52 UTC
From: ve1al@...
Topic: 20419 Message: 20424

Actually, Bob, Lance has simply cemented my argument. When you're somewhere your call doesn't say you are, simply append the proper identifier so us poor suckers outside the US can have an idea where you really are located.

It isn't an unreasonable request and the FCC should simply mandate it.

73

Al, VE1AL

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Bob
Sent: Thursday, January 17, 2013 7:44 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: YUUUUUUUK

Hi Lance

Hopefully Pual doesn't backball me...

Just couldn't resist.

73
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KB1JZU/1/FN42/MA/4237Nx7142W/Lunenburg/Desk/rightside

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20425. Re: YUUUUUUUK

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-18 00:18:07 UTC
From: Bob
Topic: 20419 Message: 20425

Alan

Didn't you see how I signed the note to Lance???
Just for you!

Bob

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> > 73, Lance - VK6DU
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20426. RE: [DX-IS] Re: YUUUUUUUK

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-18 00:23:08 UTC
From: ve1al@...
Topic: 20419 Message: 20426

Actually, Bob, I hadn't!

Brilliant. Now, would you do that on the air? :-)

73

AL

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Bob
Sent: Thursday, January 17, 2013 8:18 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: YUUUUUUUK

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20427. Re: [DX-IS] Caribbean

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-18 00:23:05 UTC
From: John G.
Topic: 20422 Message: 20427

Congrats on the J8 Lance! I have been trying to get him also for a new RTTY country, but never have very good copy on him when he is on the high bands for some reason. Guess he is 1 1/2 hops away from me or something. Is VK6 antipodal to any area in NA?

John AF5CC

----- Original Message -----
From: Lance Martin
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Friday, January 18, 2013 12:05 AM
Subject: [DX-IS] Caribbean

Hi Guys,

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Good job guys and thank you again!

73, Lance - VK6DU

20428. RE: [DX-IS] 2nd reminder

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-18 00:31:21 UTC
From: ve1al@...
Topic: 20398 Message: 20428

It isn't a topic I have researched, Bob. I'm personally at that stage in DXing that I turn on the radio, take what I can hear for a particular day and go away. My days of trying to figure out what's happening with propagation have become fewer. With only P5 to work and confirm, I just live in hope the propagation god will smile on me.

Seriously, I'll delve into the topic but at this moment have nothing to offer.

73

Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Robert Carroll
Sent: Thursday, January 17, 2013 4:43 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] 2nd reminder

Paul, Al, and the List

How about comments on this subject if anyone has a source: Ionosphere <http://wattsupwiththat.com/2008/12/16/earths-ionosphere-drops-to-a-new-low /> Drops To A New Low .

As best I remember at first it was believed the lowering of the ionosphere was the case only near the equator, but it was later found to be widespread. I saw some later Indian data which suggested the ionosphere was lower in some areas and higher in others. As best I can find out, CINDI ended in 2010 but I never saw any later data. Queries to the former program manager have yielded no response. If the lowered ionosphere has continued it would have implications for propagation. It is clear to me that in "olden times," indices such as we are seeing now might not have been considered great but would have produced decent propagation. Also, I am astounded to go into the shack on a winter night and hear so little DX on 160m and 80m. The HK had a good signal on 160m last night for hours, but not much other activity was audible by 10PM or so. How many Japanese dawn openings on 160m have there been this year? In any event I suspect the "circuit" data which produced all the ancient propagation charts could be obsolete and propagation programs based on that data for path probability could be way off with a lower ionosphere. Anyone have later info than the first CINDI data?

Bob W2WG

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of ve1al@...
Sent: Thursday, January 17, 2013 2:37 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] 2nd reminder

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20429. Re: [DX-IS] 9Q6AL and DXCC

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-18 02:37:21 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 20398 Message: 20429

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> Instead of us proving 9Q6AL doesn't count, do you have any evidence
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> 73, Paul VE1DX
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>

I see no reason to challenge your belief that it counts. :-)

73, Paul VE1DX

20430. Re: [DX-IS] Re: YUUUUUUUK

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-18 03:41:15 UTC
From: Richard Solomon
Topic: 20419 Message: 20430

Paul, I thought you requested we put this to bed. Can you please get Al
to stop his incessant prattle, he has beat this poor dead horse enough.

Thank you,

Dick, W1KSZ

On Thu, Jan 17, 2013 at 5:15 PM, <ve1al@...> wrote:

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20431. RE: [DX-IS] Caribbean

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-18 03:42:33 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 20422 Message: 20431

Hi John,

Yes, the closest antipodal point to Perth is Bermuda. On a great circle map the island is a big line that spans either side of the north pole.
Which makes it interesting when I hear a VP9 on, I never really know exactly where to beam!

Made the J8 QSO on 17m, would love to get him on the higher bands too.

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To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Caribbean

Congrats on the J8 Lance! I have been trying to get him also for a new RTTY country, but never have very good copy on him when he is on the high bands for some reason. Guess he is 1 1/2 hops away from me or something. Is VK6 antipodal to any area in NA?

John AF5CC

----- Original Message -----
From: Lance Martin<mailto:L.Martin@...>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com<mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Friday, January 18, 2013 12:05 AM
Subject: [DX-IS] Caribbean

Hi Guys,
I just wanted to thank J67ZF and J8/W6HGF for their patience recently in standing by for VK6.
Most of the Caribbean is direct polar path for us and even though there are lots visiting these isles, many of the ops. just work piles of NA, EU, JA, (which is understandable).
It's greatly appreciated though when some of the other locations in the world are considered.
Good job guys and thank you again!
73, Lance - VK6DU

20432. To ALL members

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-18 04:13:38 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 20419 Message: 20432

On 1/17/2013 11:41 PM, Richard Solomon wrote:
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> Paul, I thought you requested we put this to bed. Can you please get Al
> to stop his incessant prattle, he has beat this poor dead horse enough.
>
> Thank you,
>
> Dick, W1KSZ
>

The only way a list owner or moderator can force a person to stop
is to put them in "moderated" status or remove them from the list
completely. My two requests to everyone to stop this thread were
because it had degraded to some direct or implied remarks at other
members, one person unsubscribed, and I received several private emails
asking that I put a stop to it.

From the subscribe header:

"Sales by amateurs of personal equipment is not permitted. Nor do
we welcome political statements. Please ask yourself the following
question before you click send, "Would I give my callsign, and then send
this on HF?" If the answer is no, don't click!"

That is sent to all members when they join. As adults, Hams and
DXers, I (and N1DG, the co-owner) expect members to respect it. It's
rare we have to intervene. It is my hope we all can sleep on the
discussions of the past day or two and put them to rest. The last thing
Don or I have time to do is moderate and approve messages from members,
and we don't want to unsubscribe anyone.

I just had to rebuild the VE1DXI DX Cluster node after a
motherboard meltdown. This took 15 hours of my time and cost me
~$800. N1DG routinely goes on mega-DXpeditions, the last one (VP8ORK)
costing the team over $350,000. We are both giving back to the hobby in
different ways to the best of our ability. This list us another small
contribution. I can't speak for N1DG, but I'm sorry if I have not lived
up to everyone's expectations.

The thread is dead. Finished. No more posts on it. If it
doesn't, there is one other option. The list can be deleted by a single
mouse click. That singles no one out, and solves the problem for everyone.

73, Paul VE1DX

20433. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1094

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-06 20:47:40 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 20433 Message: 20433

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Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 30th-December, through Sunday, 6th-January there were 219 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3B9, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4X, 5B, 5R, 5T, 5U, 5W, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8Q, 8R, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C5, C6, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, F, FG, FH, FK, FM, FO, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, H40, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HC8, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J5, J6, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JX, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S2, S5, S7, S9, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV/a, SV5, SV9, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TR, TT, TU, TY, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VP2E, VP2M, VP2V, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XW, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, Z8, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD8, ZD9, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

8P, BARBADOS. Members of the "Buddies in the Caribbean" suitcase mini-DXpedition group which specializes in 100 watt or less low power radios and Buddipole portable antenna systems is going to Barbados (NA-021) and will be active between January 29th and February 6th. Operators mentioned

are Mike/KC4VG (8P9VG), Weymouth/K8EAB (8P9EA), Paul/KB9AVO (8P9DG), Daniel/WZ1P (8P9WZ), Budd/W3FF (8P9FF), Chris/W6HFP (8P9HF), Guy/N7UN (8P9UN) and Steve/WG0AT (8P9RT). There will be 3 villa stations during the operation on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB, and RTTY or PSK. The equipment used this year will be four Elecraft KX3, two Yaesu 857-D and two Icom IC-7000 transceivers. All members will use Buddipole portable HF/VHF antennas in both horizontal and vertical configurations at 100 watts or less. At the same time, several teams will be battery-only, field portable either from Barbados beaches or scenic mountain tops and will sign call/p. They state, "Our goal is to demonstrate 'ultralite' DXpeditioning into magnificent 'vista' locations, operating field portable battery-only radios with backpackable, lightweight antennas and most of all 'having fun' with a number of local operators from a 5-star Villa near the ocean." QSL via LoTW or to the operator□s home callsign (w/SASE).

9X, RWANDA. Carl, SM6CPY, will be active as 9X0PY from Rwanda between January 15-31st. Activity will be holiday style on all bands, if possible depending on antenna possibilities, using mainly CW listening up 25 kHz and operating with 100 watts. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

AFRICAN TOUR. Operators Steve/HA0DU and Laci/HA0NAR plan to be on an African tour to Guinea Bissau (J5) and Senegal (6V) starting next month and to be active as J5NAR and 6V2R. They will start their journey in Cabrousse (South-Senegal). From there they will drive to Guinea-Bissau and expect to be on the air around February 9th. Additionally, they also plan to activate (in February) Carabane Island (AF-078) with the callsign 6V2R/P and Jeta Island (AF-093) with J5NAR/P. On their QRZ.com page they state, "We would like to remind you that the entire trip and stay on islands is paid in full by each of the operators and that any contribution/support will help us to reduce the high logistical costs." Their PayPal account is <ha0nar@...>. QSL for both J5NAR and 6V2R go to Laci, HA0NAR (direct or by the Bureau). For details and updates, watch the Web page at: http://www.ha0nar.hu

ARCTIC/ANTARCTIC INFO NEEDED! John, KL7JR, is requesting that if you or any of your radio friends, SWL or Ham operator, has worked or heard any Arctic or Antarctic stations, he would love to hear from you for his monthly Arctic and Antarctic DX column which goes to CIDX (Canadian Int'l. DX Club) for publication in the monthly Messenger. Scanned copies of QSLs or reception reports from anywhere north of 60 degrees or the Antarctica are also welcomed. You can receive a sample of his column by E-mailing him at: KL7JR@yahoo.com

CS8/CT8, AZORES. Operators Dervin/PD9DX and Derk/PD9DX will be active as CS8/PD9DX (or with a CU callsign) and CT8/PA4N from Sao Miguel Island (EU-003) in the Azores between March 26th and April 3rd. Activity will be on all HF bands using CW and SSB. Rigs will be a Kenwood TS590 and an Elecraft K3. Power will be 100 watts for both radios. Antennas will consist of a multiband doublet (inverted vee-style), a multiband vertical and an FD4 off-center fed antenna. They mention, "As we will be on the

west side of the Sete Cidades volcanic mountain, propagation to the Americas will be much easier than propagation to Europa and Asia." Read QRZ.com for QSL info on each operator.

CT9, MADERIA. Mathieu, MJ0ASP, will be active as CT9/MJ0ASP from Madeira between January 4-9th. Activity will be on 40-10 meters using CW only. The log will be uploaded to LoTW and Clublog on January 10th. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

DAYTON HAMVENTION NEWS. From Bill Salyers, AJ8B, <AJ8B@...> --
FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE - "The SouthWest Ohio DX Association (SWODXA) is pleased to announce that we will again sponsor the DX Dinner ☐, held in conjunction with the 2013 Dayton Hamvention®. This, our 28th annual dinner, will be on Friday, May 17th, 2013, at the Dayton Marriott, 1414 S. Patterson Blvd., Dayton, OH 45409.
There will be a cash bar starting at 5:30 p.m., with dinner served at 7:00. Following the meal, there will be a separate room and cash bar available for more fellowship. This is an excellent opportunity to meet new hams, and renew old acquaintances, as well as learn about past DXpeditions and those in the planning stages.
The Marriott is very accommodating to a group our size. The dining room is on the ground floor so there are no steps, the dining room is very large, and there is ample free, on-site parking.
This dinner is always well attended by some of the most avid DXers in the world. As in the past, there will be some major door prizes, and there is always great anticipation as to who will be named the 'DXpedition of the Year'.
The Marriott is a large hotel with many room choices. Should you need accommodations, their website is
http://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/dayoh-dayton-marriott
and their phone number is 937 223-1000.
Details and dinner reservation information can be found on the SWODXA Events website <www.swodxaevents.org>. From there, click on the DX Dinner icon. You can print the reservation form and submit it with your personal check or money order. We are also accepting PayPal and credit card payments. Program details and a list of the prizes will be on the website as they become available and updates will be sent out regularly via Twitter. Check out our Facebook page at 'Southwest Ohio DX Association', or follow us on Twitter - @SWODXA"

FY, GUYANA. Christian, F5UII, will be active as FY/F5UII from the FY5KE Radio Club of Kourou between January 13-30th. Activity will be limited to SSB between 2200-1200z during the weekdays. He is there on a business trip but has plans to activate Salut Islands (SA-020, WLOTA 0911) on this trip, January 19-20th. His precise location is on the main island called Royal Island (Ile Royale), which is part of the group of islands with Devil's Island (Ile du Diable) and St. Joseph Island (Ile Saint Joseph). Activity will be on 40/20/17/15/10 meters using 100 watts into as GPA-030 vertical and dipoles for 40/17m. Updates will be available on his Twitter page and Web page at: http://www.f5uii.net

https://twitter.com/f5uii
QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

HR, HONDURAS. After his trip in Uganda with the F6KOP gang, Gerard, F2JD, will be back in Honduras from around February 25th for 3 months. As usual, he will be active as HR5/F2JD, but he needs to repair his tower which was destroyed by the very strong wind last autumn. QSL via F6AJA. The log will be online at: http://lesnouvellesdx.fr/voirlogs.php

IOTA NEWS.....
OC-261. Craig, VK5CE, will be active as VK5CE/p from Flinders Island later in the new year between August 15-21st. Activity will be on 80-10 meters, with most of the operations being on 40/20/15m, using SSB and PSK. QSL via his home callsign. For more details and updates, watch Craig's Blog page at: http://oc261.blogspot.co.uk

SA-022. (Update) Members of the Bahia Blanca DX Group (GDXBB) will be active as L22D from Gama Island between January 24-27th, after being off the air for 10 years. Operators mentioned are Osmar/ LU8DWR (Team Leader), Carlos/LU7DSY, Eduardo/LU5DEM, Carlos/ LU4ETN, Hugo/LW9EVA, Carlos/LW2EHD, Willy/LU4DBT, Marcos/ LU7DKO, Edgar/LU5VAT, Daniel/LU9VS, Federico/LU1WJF and Pedro/ LU7WW. The Camp Manager is Damian, LU5VDG. Activity will be on 160-10 meters, including the 17/12 meter, and using CW, SSB and PSK31. They will have 4 stations on the air with various mono-banders and dipoles. QSL via Carlos Almirón, LU7DSY: P.O.Box 709, 8000 BAHIA BLANCA, ARGENTINA. Direct with SASE + 3 dollars or 2 IRCs. Sorry not Paypal. Also, watch the following Web page for updates at: http://lu6evd.wordpress.com/2012/12/07/activacion-isla-gama-iota-sa-022

IOTA TOUR. Operators Vincent/F4BKV and Col/MM0NDX plan to activate nine islands starting January 10th for three days. Look for the following callsigns from the following Danish, German and Polish IOTAs:
EU-029 ☐ operating from Sjaelland, Elleore, Gavno, Masnedo, Fallster, Lolland, Sprogo and Amager (OZ/F4BKV & OZ/MM0NDX)
EU-128 - operating from Fehmarn (DL/F4BKV and DL/MM0NDX)
EU-057 - operating from Ruden (DL/F4BKV and DL/MM0NDX)
EU-129 ☐ operating from Usedom (DL/F4BKV and DL/MM0NDX)
EU-132 ☐ operating from Wolin (SP/F4BKV and SP/MM0NDX)
EU-042 ☐ operating from Sylt (DL/F4BKV and DL/MM0NDX)
EU-125 ☐ operating from Romo (OZ/F4BKV and OZ/MM0NDX)
EU-172 ☐ operating from Fyn (OZ/F4BKV and OZ/MM0NDX)
EU-171 ☐ operating from Jegindo (OZ/F4BKV and OZ/MM0NDX)

Their full itinerary can be found at: http://t.co/nLV0UopH
Activity will be on 40/20/17/15 meters SSB. Operators will be using Twitter to follow their progress <https://twitter.com/IOTA_Trip>. For Bureau cards, QSL via their home callsigns. For direct cards, QSL both via F4BKV, preferably via the OQRS Web Page at: http://www.f4bkv.net/oqrs

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (January 7-13th)....
Jan/07th AN Jan/10th AN Jan/12th AN-HN
Jan/08th AN Jan/11th AN Jan/13th HN-AN
Jan/09th AN

SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS/INDEXES AND GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE
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NORMALITY GEOMAG K Values Alpha
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AN - Above Normal Quiet K=0-1 0-7
HN - High Normal Unsettled K=2 8-15
LN - Low Normal Active K=3 16-29
BN - Below Normal Minor Storm K=4 30-49
DIS - Disturbed Major Storm K=5 50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed Severe Storm K=6-9 100-400

KP2, U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS. Three JA operators will be active from the KP2M
Radio Reef Contest Station (rental shack) on St. Croix (NA-106) between
April 3-9th. Look for the following:
Yoshi, K1HP/KP2 via JE2EHP
Taka, KP2/JF1BVG via JF1BVG
Toshi, WH7P/KP2 via JP1IOF
Activity will be on all bands and modes. Both Bureau and direct cards are
accepted via the JA home callsign. LoTW and OQRS will also be available.
For more details about the KP2M station, see: http://www.radioreef.com

KP4, PUERTO RICO (W1AW GOES DX!). The Puerto Rico Amateur Radio League
and the Caribbean Amateur Radio Group, sponsors of the American Radio
Relay League Puerto Rico State Convention to be held in the city of
Hatillo, Puerto Rico, on January 26th and 27th, are proud to announce
that the official ARRL Amateur Radio station, W1AW, will be on the air
as W1AW/KP4. It is of historical significance being the first time the
callsign is used outside the United States. Those amateurs who would
like to operate the station can contact Wilfredo Avilés ☐ KP4ARN at
<wavilesjr@...> for scheduling. Before that, between January
11-25th the callsign N4D will also be on the air to commemorate this
event. For more info, go to: http://www.arrlpr.org

P2, PAPUA NEW GUINEA. Nao, JA2VQP, who is now living in PNG for the next
two years, is a volunteer of JICA (Japanese ODA) teaching mathematics
at the Divine Word University in Wewak, East Sepic Province (north coast
of PNG main land). He states that he has received a PNG license and
planned to bring radio equipment from Japan during the month December
(2012), so begin looking for P29NO in the coming months. Watch QRZ.com
for updates.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated January 6th)

3Z0WOSP via SP5ZRW LZ1771SDG via LZ1KCP TK4LS via EB7DX
4T4RDP via OA4O MW/UT5UDX via RA4LW TP2CE via F5LGF
9A22MINE via 9A1MB OK8DCC via DL3DCC TT8/US3EZ via US3EZ

9H1EU via 9H1BT ON100TT via ON4EKO UN7TK via EA7FTR
CT7/CU3AA/P via CU3AA OO2T via ON5SWA UT/F5RAV via F5RAV
DR90VOX via DG8MH PF35OLM via PE1OLM VI6AHR30 via VK6IR
E79D via E77E R400DR via RN3DG VP9/WW3S via WW3S
EI13CLAN via EI6AL RA70WR via RM4A W2V via N2MUN
ER3WFF via ER3GS S79QT via DC8QT YB0MWM via IK2DUW
FY/F6CKD via F6CKD S5300TP via S59DAP YE1NZ via W7NZ
G100RSGB via M0VFC SG0U via SM3CXS YU15OTC via YU6A
HF0WOSP via SP2KFL SK25VJ via SK3VJ Z6/9A6AA via 9A6AA
HG7T via HA7TM SN0KDD via SP3POW Z320G via Z35G (d)
(d) direct only (B) Bureau only (L) LoTW only

5W0W QSL STATUS. Rex, NR6M, reported on January 2nd: "I received the QSL cards from the printer today for 5W0W. All requests that I have received thru today will be in tomorrow's outgoing mail."

CY0 QSL STATUS. Sable QSL cards scheduled to be sent between December 26th (2012) and January 31st, 2013.

OLD QSL COLLECTION (Update). Jean Michel, F6AJA, wants to remind everyone to visit the Les Nouvelles DX (LNDX) Web page to see more than 10500 old QSL cards in several different albums/galleries. This site contains:
- The ten most wanted DXCC entities (2004 to 2011) with more than 300 QSLs
- At least one card for each 60 deleted DXCC countries (more than 1400+ QSLs)
- Nearest the totality of current prefixes, disappeared now (more than 3700+ QSLs)
- Album for stations from North Africa 1945-1962 (400+ QSLs)
- More than 850 QSLs from the Antarctic bases.
- Nearly 270 QSLs from the TAAF (Terres Australes and Antarctiques Francaises).
- More than 300 QSLs for the rare French Pacific Islands such as FK/C, FO/C, FO/A, FO/M, FO/C and FW
- Nearly 100 cards from Eparses Islands such as FR/B/E/G/J/T
- The FG, FM, FP, FS, FY stations from 1945 to 1970
- More than 1500 cards for the old timer with more than 130 countries before 1945.
- Cards from the French Department before 1945.
- At least one card from each of the states in the U.S. before 1945.
The URL address for the Web site is: http://LesNouvellesDX.free.fr
Some cards are still needed for the collection, and your particip-ation is welcome. Please visit their site and give them your comments by sending an E-mail to: LesNouvellesDX@...

SU9VB AND LOTW. Vlad, SU9VB, says, "I have currently indefinitely totally discontinued uploading any newer latest QSOs to LoTW until the system is slightly more manageable and more user logical and friendly."

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 9L0W, C6AKQ, CW5W, E7DX, EA1PO, EA3NE, ED3X, EI7M, F6HRP, GI7AXB, HC2UB, HI8PLE, KH6GMP, OH0X, OH0X, PJ2/K3ND, RT0Q, RV3FT, SM4RGD, SP5GRM, UT5EPP, VA7ST, VE7JH, VU2PAI, WP3A, ZF1A and ZL9HR

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 1A0C, 3D2C, 4O7VB, 7X4AN, 7Z7AB, 9A8OK, 9A8VB, A71CT, AA4VK/CY0, AH0/N0AT, C6AXY, CP4DR, E20VB, EL2LF, ES5Q, JW7QIA, JY8VB, GO3TXF, JW7QIA, KL7RRC/P, LA2S, NH8S, P29VCX, SU9VB, T6LG, TR8CA, VP2MGZ, V85TL, VP2MDD, VP2MYL, WA4DAN/CY0, XX9THX and ZL7A

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: NONE REPORTED FOR THIS WEEK!

S7, SEYCHELLES. Nobby, G0VJG, will be active (callsign not issued yet) from the Seychelles (AF-024) between April 4-16th. Activity will be on the 40-10 meters using SSB only and HF verticals on the beach (QRO). QSL via G4DFI.

ST2, SUDAN. Samual, K0YAK (ex-9N7AK), will be active as ST2SF from Khartoum beginning late January and continuing through at least mid-April. Activity will be on 40-10 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. There may also be 80 and 6 meter operations. QSL via K0YAK or LoTW. More details will be forthcoming.

T6, AFGHANISTAN (Update). Ilian, LZ1CNN (ex-YI9LZ), has been active as T6LG from Kandahar and will be there until the end of February. Activity over the past week has been on CW, the lower bands and 20/10 meters. Ilian states, "I will keep trying low bands daily within the next 2 months. In the beginning of March I will remove all antennas and leave. It was a good DXpedition, but hope to do a bit more on low bands especially. Did not have so good setup and opportunity to install many antennas when I was in Iraq as YI9LZ. Listen for me on top band, I will do my best!" QSL Manager is LZ1ZF. Postal address since September 1st, 2012, for LZ1ZF is: G. Vodenicharov, P.O. Box 25, 3600 Lom, BULGARIA. All QSOs will be uploaded to LoTW.

T8, PALAU. Just a reminder that operators Mike/JA6EGL, Yasu/JA6UBY and Yu/JE6DND will once again be active as T88SM, T88CP, and T88HK, respectively, from Koror Island (OC-009) between January 9-14th. Activity will be 80-10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via their home callsigns (direct only).

V6, MICRONESIA. Haru, JA1XGI, will once again be active as V63XG from Pohnpei Island (OC-010) between April 3-11th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters (especially 30/17/12m) using mainly CW, with some SSB and the Digital modes. Also JT65. Suggested frequencies are (no 80m):
CW - 1823, 7025, 10105, 14010, 18075, 21010, 24895 and 28010 kHz
SSB - 7125, 14175, 18135, 21260, 24940 and 28450 kHz
RTTY - 10140, 14088, 18120, 21088, 24910 and 28088 kHz
JT65 - 7076, 10138, 14076, 18102, 21076, 24920 and 28076 kHz
6m - 50110/CW, 50150/SSB, 50090/RTTY and 50330/JT65

He will use an IC-7000 into a two element yagi for 17/12m and a fishing rod (only 5m long) antenna. QSL via JA1XGI, direct or by the Bureau. QSOs

will be uploaded to LoTW. Look for updates and details on Haru new Web page or Blog page at: http://island.geocities.jp/v63xg/index.htm
http://ja1xgidxvacation.blogspot.com

VK9/N, NORFOLK ISLAND. Lee, VK3GK, will be active as VK3GK/9 from the Governor's Lodge on Norfolk Island (OC-005) between January 11-15th. Activity will be holiday style as Lee is celebrating his 21st wedding anniversary, so look for operations on 80-10 meters, mainly SSB, with CW possible and using IC-7000 into a Multi-band vertical and 80-10m OCF dipole.

YS, EL SALVADOR. Roberto, I2JIN, will be active as YS3CW from Corinth between January 11-31st. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using mainly CW. QSL via I2JIN, direct or by the Bureau. Log will be uploaded LoTW.

ZL7, CHATHAM ISLANDS (Update). Jim, ZL1LC, informs OPDX that he has booked airlines and accommodations to allow him to run as ZL7LC from Chatham Island between March 14-20th. He adds that all other preparations are going well, and this is a micro DXpedition which includes himself and his XYL with limited gear. Jim will be running PSK31 only. The rigs will be Icom 7000 and 7200 units, and the antennas will be verticals on 10, 15, 20 and 40 meters. The QTH is within 100 meters of the sea, so DX should be hot. The frequencies will be the standard PSK frequencies of 7035, 14070, 21070 and 28120 kHz. Jim states [edited], "I'll normally be operating on the highest working frequency. If/when a pileup develops, callers will be asked to work SPLIT and transmit 100 - 400Hz higher. For ZL contacts, there is a chance of SSB on 3677 kHz between 0700-0800z, but it depends upon the PSK activity. The IOTA is OC-038, the grid locator AE16ug and the nearby lighthouse (1km away) is CHA009. ClubLog will be uploaded about 24 hours later, as there is no internet at the QTH. All QSLs are direct to ZL1LC and further updates will be on the ZL7LC QRZ.com page."

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20434. Re: [DX-IS] To ALL members

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-18 04:55:17 UTC
From: Donald R Greenbaum
Topic: 20419 Message: 20434

Amen

Don
N1DG

Sent from my iPhone

On Jan 18, 2013, at 7:13 AM, Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...> wrote:

> On 1/17/2013 11:41 PM, Richard Solomon wrote:
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>> Paul, I thought you requested we put this to bed. Can you please get Al
>> to stop his incessant prattle, he has beat this poor dead horse enough.
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>> Thank you,
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>> Dick, W1KSZ
>
> The only way a list owner or moderator can force a person to stop
> is to put them in "moderated" status or remove them from the list
> completely. My two requests to everyone to stop this thread were
> because it had degraded to some direct or implied remarks at other
> members, one person unsubscribed, and I received several private emails
> asking that I put a stop to it.
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> From the subscribe header:
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> "Sales by amateurs of personal equipment is not permitted. Nor do
> we welcome political statements. Please ask yourself the following
> question before you click send, "Would I give my callsign, and then send
> this on HF?" If the answer is no, don't click!"
>
> That is sent to all members when they join. As adults, Hams and
> DXers, I (and N1DG, the co-owner) expect members to respect it. It's
> rare we have to intervene. It is my hope we all can sleep on the
> discussions of the past day or two and put them to rest. The last thing
> Don or I have time to do is moderate and approve messages from members,
> and we don't want to unsubscribe anyone.
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> I just had to rebuild the VE1DXI DX Cluster node after a
> motherboard meltdown. This took 15 hours of my time and cost me
> ~$800. N1DG routinely goes on mega-DXpeditions, the last one (VP8ORK)
> costing the team over $350,000. We are both giving back to the hobby in
> different ways to the best of our ability. This list us another small
> contribution. I can't speak for N1DG, but I'm sorry if I have not lived

> up to everyone's expectations.
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> The thread is dead. Finished. No more posts on it. If it
> doesn't, there is one other option. The list can be deleted by a single
> mouse click. That singles no one out, and solves the problem for everyone.
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> 73, Paul VE1DX
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> Yahoo! Groups Links
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20435. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-18 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 20435

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:Issued: 2013 Jan 18 1224 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30118
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 18 Jan 2013, 1146UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 18 Jan 2013 until 20 Jan 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Quiet conditions (<50% probability of C-class flares)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 18 Jan 2013 10CM FLUX: 120 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 19 Jan 2013 10CM FLUX: 119 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 20 Jan 2013 10CM FLUX: 115 / AP: 016
COMMENT: Solar activity has been quiet with only two small C flares
with the largest one a C2.5 flare originating from NOAA 1652. Solar
activity is expected to remain quiet with possibly an isolated C flare.
Geomagnetic activity reached storm level on January 17th between 15:00
UT and 18:00 UT. Ace IMF data of this period shows a jump of the
magnetic field strength from 5 nT to 15 nT with a negative Bz component.
There was no shock detected in the ACE solar wind data. This geomagnetic
activity is likely related to the slow CME of Sunday January 13th 13:00
UT (as seen in LASCO C2). Geomagnetic activity is possible to rise in
the night of January 19th- 20th due to the CME of January 16th 19:12 UT
(as seen in LASCO C2).

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 028, BASED ON 03 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 17 Jan 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 123
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 026
AK WINGST : 016
ESTIMATED AP : 017
ESTIMATED ISN : 042, BASED ON 10 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
END
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20436. ARLP003 Propagation de K7RA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-18 17:24:10 UTC
From: jjreisert@...
Topic: 8898 Message: 20436

SB PROP @ ARL $ARLP003
ARLP003 Propagation de K7RA

ZCZC AP03
QST de W1AW
Propagation Forecast Bulletin 3 ARLP003
>From Tad Cook, K7RA
Seattle, WA January 18, 2013
To all radio amateurs

SB PROP ARL ARLP003
ARLP003 Propagation de K7RA

Solar activity pulled back over the past week, following a stellar performance in the week prior. Average daily sunspot numbers were down 34.3 points to 129, but average daily solar flux actually rose 9.7 points to 157.4. This was because solar flux values seemed to lag behind last week's activity, raising this week's average in the first few days of the current week.

The current prediction is for solar flux at 125 on January 18-20, 120 on January 21-22, 115 on January 23-24, 130 on January 25, 135 on January 26-28, 130 and 135 on January 29-30, 140 on January 31 through February 1, 150 on February 2, 155 on February 3-4, 150 on February 5-11, then 145, 140, 135, 140 and 145 on February 12-16.

The predicted planetary A index is 10, 15 and 18 on January 18-20, 8 on January 21-22, 5 on January 23 through February 4, 8 on February 5, 5 on February 6-8, 8 on February 9-10, and 5 on February 11 through the beginning of March.

The most active geomagnetic day was January 13, but only in relation to very, very quiet recent conditions. The mid-latitude A index was 10, and the K index only reached 4 in one three-hour period. The college A index (from Fairbanks, Alaska) was 11 and 12 on January 13-14, with the K index reaching 4 in two 3-hour periods on February 13 and 5 in one 3-hour period on February 14. The reading before that K index of 5 had a K index of 0.

There is a possibility of aurora on Sunday, January 20. NOAA reports the geomagnetic field is expected to be at minor storm levels today (January 18), active levels on January 19, and minor storm levels again on January 20.

A strong solar wind on January 17 was from the waning effects of a CME (coronal mass ejection) on January 13. On January 19 solar wind may rise again as the result of a coronal hole rotating into

geo-effective position. A January 16 CME could cause a rise in geomagnetic activity on January 20. Effects should decrease into background levels by mid-day (UTC) on January 20.

The Australian Space Forecast Centre issued a warning at 2335Z on January 17 about increased geomagnetic activity January 19-20 due to a CME. For January 19 they predict quiet to unsettled conditions, but with active to minor storm periods after 1200Z. For January 20 they predict unsettled to active conditions, with minor storm levels possible.

OK1HH predicts geomagnetic activity will be quiet on January 18-19, mostly quiet on January 20-21, quiet to unsettled January 22-23, mostly quiet January 24-26, quiet January 27 through February 1, mostly quiet February 2-3, quiet to active February 4-5, quiet February 6-7, quiet to unsettled February 8-9, active to disturbed February 10-11.

Jon Utley, K7CO reports that on January 11 he was in the state of New York, and using a 5 element monoband Yagi at 100 feet he worked XV1X at 1334Z and XW4XR at 1600Z on 10 meter CW long path.

Also on January 11, Jeff Hartley, N8II in West Virginia reported, "I have operated every evening this week with poorer than expected results. Before Thursday January 10, 12 and 10 meters were closed here very shortly after sunset to all areas. A45XR was S9 on 10 meter long path Sunday morning January 6, but the band was never open well to Europe unless I rechecked it a bit late. VR2XMT was about S5-7 on 12 meter SSB long path as well Sunday. All of the higher bands still seem to close pretty early including 20 meters both west and north by 0200Z, but I expect by today things are better. On 10 meters Thursday, KH6 was heard until past 2250Z and there were west coast and South American stations on 10 until around 2230Z. I have been looking for Asia long path QSOs on 20 and 30 meters without much luck, but did manage to catch UK8OM on 30 meters short path around 0100Z."

Rick Radke, W9WS of Balsam Lake, Wisconsin wrote: "Just wanted to share an experience I had on Wednesday January 9. I was checking the bands for DX. As usual, I start on 10 and work on down to 20 to see what's open. Nothing was 'happening,' in fact there were very few signals at all. So I went to 40 just looking for a ragchew and out of nowhere there was ER4DX calling CQ with a big signal. We exchanged 59 reports and went our ways. This was 1400 local (2000Z) on a sunny afternoon in northern Wisconsin, a good three hours before grayline on this end. In almost 50 years of hamming I've never seen 5K+ miles of 40 meter propagation mid-day. Nothing special here, running 1 kW to a vertical with a bunch of radials."

That is an interesting time to work Moldova. ER4DX is Vasily Romanyuk, and just doing an internet search with his callsign yields some clues that he operates a pretty serious big gun station. For

instance, using a popular search engine to search that callsign, then hitting the Images option leads to many photos of big antennas.

W6ELprop indicates that between ER4DX and W9WS on 40 meters on that date signals may have taken a 10 dB jump from 2000-2030Z, and another 10 dB by 2230Z. I used 45.456 deg N, 92.42 deg W for Rick's location, and using the grid locator from an image of a ER4DX QSL card (KN38vk), the AMSAT tool at http://www.amsat.org/amsat/toys/gridconv.html shows 48.438 deg N, 27.792 deg E. at the other end. W6ELprop shows this is a 5,016 mile or 8,073 km path, and about 6 hours after sunset at 2030Z in Moldova. So conditions were probably favorable, and ER4DX was probably putting out a big signal, perhaps with a large 40 meter Yagi.

Using today's date (January 18) shows that first 10 dB bump moving out by 30 minutes, to happen around 2030-2100Z instead of 2000-2030Z.

Reg Beck, VE7IG of Williams Lake, British Columbia on January 12 wrote: "I had the long path openings on 10 and 12 meters for 3 days here before they petered out. I still saw W6 stations working long path after it closed for me after the 3 days. A4, A6, A9 and 7Z1 were worked on 10 meters; A4, A6, A7 were worked on 12 meters. What was very surprising to me was the immediate resurgence of 160 meter propagation right after the 10 meter long path propagation stopped. Europeans all over the band and easily worked just like during the sunspot minimum with relatively low noise levels. Pretty amazing propagation up here in the northern end of the Pacific Northwest."

Reg is way up north in British Columbia, not down near the border. Seattle is 47.7 degrees north latitude, Vancouver BC is 49.2 degrees, and VE7IG is just north of 52 degrees in Williams Lake.

Oleh Kernytskyy, KD7WPJ in Salt Lake City, Utah wrote: "Solar flux was 170 on January 12. I called CQ with 5 watts and an indoor dipole on 28.060 MHz from Salt Lake City, and immediately received a response from Fred, N3FLL in West Chester, PA. He also operated QRP - 5 watts and used a dipole. I was impressed with this contact, because the eastern direction is blocked by the Wasatch Mountains."

In another email, Oleh wrote: "We had solar flux 158 and K=2 on January 13. It produced a short opening on 28 MHz. I had a QSO with CE2AWW, using 5 watts and indoor dipole. The distance between our stations was 5707 miles."

Jon Jones, N0JK wrote with 6 meter E-skip news from Kansas: "Heard the WR7NV/b DM25 and K0YW DM69 on Es around 0130 UTC on January 14 while I was mobile near El Dorado, Kansas EM17. The Nevada beacon was in for over 30 minutes."

And finally, in last week's Propagation Forecast Bulletin ARLP002 we mistakenly put Carl, K9LA in Indianapolis. Carl is in Fort Wayne, Indiana.

If you would like to make a comment or have a tip for our readers, email the author at, k7ra@....

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service web page at http://arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals. For an explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin, see http://arrl.org/the-sun-the-earth-the-ionosphere. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at http://arrl.org/w1aw-bulletins-archive-propagation. Find more good information and tutorials on propagation at http://myplace.frontier.com/~k9la/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://arrl.org/propagation.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of ARRL bulletins are at http://arrl.org/bulletins.

Sunspot numbers for January 10 through 16 were 145, 166, 156, 126, 128, 120, and 62, with a mean of 129. 10.7 cm flux was 173.9, 172.3, 168.5, 156.4, 154.1, 139.7, and 137.1, with a mean of 157.4. Estimated planetary A indices were 3, 2, 3, 9, 8, 4, and 5, with a mean of 4.9. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 2, 3, 2, 10, 6, 4, and 3, with a mean of 4.3.
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20437. 425 DX News - #1133

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-18 17:47:36 UTC
From: r_brothers
Topic: 20437 Message: 20437

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** DX INFORMATION ****
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Direttore Responsabile I2VGW

5H - Sam, F6AML will be active as 5H1Z from Zanzibar Island (AF-032)
from 20 January to 28 February. He will operate CW and SSB on
40-10 metres in his spare time. Side trips to IOTA groups AF-054,
AF-063 and AF-075 are being considered. QSL via F6AML, direct or
bureau. [TNX DX Coffee]
5X - Announced frequencies for the 6-18 February 5X8C DXpedition to
Uganda [425DXN 1123] are:
CW 1826.5 3524 7024 10104 14024 18074 21024 24892 28024
SSB 1850 3785 7075 14145 18140 21295 24960 28480
RTTY 1842 3585 7042 10142 14082-90 18102 21082 24922 28082
PSK 3570 7040 10140 14072 18100 21072 24920 28122
RX frequencies on 160m CW will be 1834.5 for EU/NA and 1821.5 for
AS/OC. A large multi-national team (DF1LON, DJ7JC, DL1YFF, DL8OBF,
EI9FBB, F2DX, F2JD, F2VX, F5CWU, F5EOT, F5NHJ, F5NKX, F5UFX, F5UOW,
F5VHQ, F6ENO, F8BJI, F8IXZ, F9IE, FM5CD, K4SV, ON4LO, ON7RN, RG8K
and UA9KGH/1) will be active with six stations and a focus on the
low bands; operations are expected to start on 8 February around
noon. F4TTR and V51B will be the pilot stations. QSL via F1NGP,
direct or bureau (OQRS provided by Club Log), and LoTW. Further
information at www.5x2013.com. [TNX F5NQL]
6W - Jean-Claude, F6IRS will be active holiday style as 6W/F6IRS from
Senegal from 21 January to 7 February. He plans to be QRV on all
bands SSB, typically in his late afternoon-early evening hours.
QSL via bureau. [TNX F8REF]
A3 - Werner, DJ9KH [425DXN 1131] will not be able to collect his
licence (hopefully A35WH or A31WH) until he arrives in Tonga. He
will be active from Tongatapu (OC-049) on 13-23 February and from
Vava'u (OC-064) from 24 February to 2 March, with activity on
160-10 metres CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via home call, direct or
bureau. He plans to post updates to http://www.qrz.com/db/A31WH on
a regular basis while on the islands.
CT8 - Rudi, HB9CQL and Hermann, HB9CRV will be active as CT8/HB9CQL and
CT8/CT3FN from Flores Island (EU-089), Azores on 22-25 January.
They will team with Antonio, CU8AS and Toze, CT1GFK and
participate in the CQ WW 160M Contest (CW) as CR2W. After the
contest expect them to be signing CR2V until 8 February, with a

focus on the low bands and an entry in the Mexico International RTTY Contest (2-3 February). QSL CR2W and CR2V via HB9CRV, direct and bureau, and LoTW.
FT - Gildas, TU5KG is leaving on a new fishing campaign in the Southern Indian Ocean. He will be sailing in the Kerguelen and Crozet areas; when on land he will use his new callsigns, FT5XT (Kerguelen) and FT5WQ (Crozet), otherwise he will be signing /mm. QSL via F4DXW, direct only. [TNX DX World]
HK - Once again Lothar, DK8LRF will be active as HK3JCL from Colombia between 18 January and 1 April. He will operate SSB on 40-10 metres. QSL via home call, bureau preferred.
JA - Nobu, JP1EWY will be active as JP1EWY/1 from Hachijo Island (AS-043) on 19-21 January. He will operate mainly CW with some SSB on 40-10 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX JN6RZM]
PY - Ed PS7DX, Nazareno PS7NN, Mac PS7GL, Carlos PS7KC and Nat PS7HD will be active as PW7F on 18-20 January to celebrate the 415th anniversary of the Fortaleza does Reis Magos, located in the city of Natal. They will operate SSB, CW and digital modes on 160-10 metres. QSL via PS7HD, direct or bureau, plues LoTW and eQSL.
S7 - Bert, CX3AN will be active as S79AN from Mahe (AF-024), Seychelles on 4-11 February. He will operate mainly SSB and CW on 80-6 metres. QSL via CX3AN. [TNX CX3AN]
SM - Raf ON5RZ, Dirk ON7DS and Jean ON4JW will be active from SI9AM (the King Chulalongkorn Memorial Amateur Radio Society, www.si9am.se) in Ragunda on 23-28 January, including an entry in the UBA DX Contest (26-27 January). Outside the contest they will be on 160-10 metres CW and SSB. QSL via SM3CVM, direct or bureau. [TNX SM3CVM]
TA - The TC Special Wireless Activity Team will be active as TC150RC until 31 January and again on 1-31 July to celebrate the 150th anniversary of Robert College of Istanbul, the oldest American school still in existence in its original location outside the US. All of the QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau. TCSWAT's activity calendar for 2013 can be found at www.tcswat.org [TNX I3TGW]
VK - Look for VK4NM/p to be active from Fraser Island (OC-142) on 15-18 February. Two operators (Andrew, VK4NM and Peter, VK4LAT) plan to be QRV on 80-10 metres, with an emphasis on the higher bands. QSL via M0OXO. [TNX rsgbiota.org]
VK9C - Chris, GM3WOJ and Keith, GM4YXI will be active as VK9C/GM2MP from the Cocos-Keeling Islands (OC-003) from 30 March to 13 April. They will operate SSB and CW, with some RTTY. They hope to have a real-time logging system and daily LoTW uploads if possible. More details are expected in due course. [TNX GM3WOJ]
ZF - Ted, K8AQM will be active as ZF2TA from the Cayman Islands (NA-016) from 26 January to 2 February. He will operate holiday style on 20-10 metres SSB and CW. QSL via K8AQM. [TNX The Daily DX]
ZS8 - David, ZS1BCE has been appointed as the new radio technician for Marion Island (AF-021). He will depart Cape Town on 15 April, and expects to be QRV about four weeks later until May 2014. He will

operate SSB only on most HF bands (callsign still to be applied
for). QSL via ZS1HF. [TNX DX World]

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** GOOD TO KNOW ... ****
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DAYTON TOPBAND DINNER ---> The 24th Annual Dayton Topband dinner will be held on 17 May at the Crowne Plaza Hotel. Deatils and tickets are now available on http://topbanddinner.com

DXCC NEWS ---> Z81Z (Republic of South Sudan, current operation commencing 8 January 2013) has been approved for DXCC credit. [TNX NC1L]

LU6W ---> The German DX Foundation (www.gdxf.de) is collecting donations to help the LU6W team replacing the equipment they lost during their recent operation from Isla Escondida (SA-096, read about their trials and tribulations at http://lu6w.yolasite.com/).

QSL V25A ---> Jack, W9NJB is the QSL manager for V25A prior to 23 December 2012 (QSOs made by K9MDO). As of 23 December 2012, the call has been re-assigned to KG2A. [TNX N9LAH]

SOS RADIO WEEK ---> Some forty stations in the United Kingdom have registered to take part in the SOS Radio Week, a fund raising event in aid of the Royal National Lifeboat Institution that will run from 19 to 27 January. Details on registered stations and the awards (free of charge) for contacting them can be found at www.sosradioweek.org.uk [TNX VA3RJ]

TRIATHLON DX CONTEST ---> The Triathlon DX Contest is a competition that combines the main operating modes into one single non-stop event to be held on 2 February, from 00.00 UTC to 23.59 UTC, with 8 hours of operation on each mode (RTTY, Phone and CW). Complete details (look at the first prize!) can be found on www.triathlon-dx-contest.gr [TNX SV8CYV]

QSLs received direct or through managers: 1A0C, 3B9SP, 3D2C, 3V8BB, 4L8A, 4O3A, 4O7VB, 5C2P, 5H2DK, 5N7M, 5T0SP, 5T5BV, 5U5U, 5V7TH, 7P8CC, 7Q7GM, 7X4AN, 7Z7AB (AS-190), 8P5A, 9A8OK, 9A8VB, 9G5TT, 9H3PP, 9H9BH, 9M4SLL, 9Y4/DL7VOG, 9Y4LAS, A45XR, A60WSW, A71CT, AA4VK/CY0, AH0/N0AT, BA4TB/4 (AS-136), BM0LF, BY1CQ (AS-158), BY1WXD/0, C37NL, C50C, C5A, C6AUM, C6AXY, C6AZZ, CA7FKG (SA-018), CN2R, CP4DR, CQ8X, CR2X, E20VB, E51AIU, EA6QY, EA6UN, EI9JU, EL2A, EL2DT, EL2ES, EL2LF, EL2MF, ES5Q, FG5FR, GO3TXF, HC2/W7SE, HH2/EK6KB, HK0NA, J75Z, J79WE, JU850DN, JW2US (EU-027), JW7QIA, JX5O, JY8VB, KH2/N2NL, KL7RRC/p, LT0X (SA-087), NH8S, NP2KW, OJ0X, OX8MM, P29NI (OC-099), P29VCX (OC-025, OC-103, OC-135, OC-240), P29VPB (OC-069), P3EU, PJ2/K2PLF, RI0K (AS-061), RI1ANF, SU9VB, SV2ASP/A, T6LG, T88UE, T8XX, TF/VE3IKV, TG9IDX, TI8M, TR8CA, TT8TT, TX5EG (OC-067), TZ6VV, V31NO, V63PR,

V73AX (OC-028), V85TLVK6WDI (OC-170), VK9/OH1VR, VK9/OH3JR, VK9/OH3X,
VK9XS, VP2MDD, VP2MDG, VP2MGZ, VP2MYL, VP5/K7AR, VP8ROT, VU3BPZ/mm,
VY0/K9DXA, WA4DAN/CY0, XX9THX, YE9IOTA (OC-150), YS1YS, YW5B (SA-037), ZL7A.

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20438. 425 DX Calendar - #1133

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******* CALENDAR *******
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PERIOD CALL REF
till 20/01 5Z4/DF3ZS and 5Z4/DL1QW: Kenya 1130
till 20/01 PW7F: special callsign 1133
till 20/01 ZF2PG: Cayman Islands (NA-016) 1130
till 21/01 K5KUA/5: Galveston Island (NA-143) 1129
till 21/01 PY0F/PP1CZ: Fernando de Noronha (SA-003) 1129
till 24/01 J8/W6HGF: Saint Vincent (NA-109) 1130
till 25/01 N4D: special callsign (Puerto Rico) 1131
till 30/01 FY/F5UII: French Guiana 1131
till 31/01 9X0PY: Rwanda 1131
till 31/01 TC150RC: special callsign 1133
till 31/01 YS3CW: El Salvador 1132
till 01/02 OA4/PA3GFE: Peru 1127
till 07/02 RI1ANC: Vostok Station (Antarctica) 1127
till 12/02 EA8/IK1PMR and EA8/PA3LEO: Canary Islands (AF-004) 1126
till 12/02 II3CV: special callsign 1130
till 18/02 OE2013: special prefix 1131
till February DP0GVN: Neumayer Station III (Antarctica) 1087
till 03/03 5W0W: Samoa (OC-097) 1127
till 09/03 4S7KKG: Sri Lanka (AS-003) 1121
till 10/03 6W2SC: Senegal 1132
till 10/03 J5UAP: Guinea-Bissau 1132
till 01/04 HK3JCL: Colombia 1133
till 11/04 JX9JKA: Jan Mayen (EU-022) 1024
till 15/04 JG8NQJ/JD1: Minami Torishima (OC-073) 1132
till October T6MH: Afghanistan 1125
till 31/12 DL50FRANCE: special station 1131
till 31/12 EI13CLAN: special callsign 1130
till 31/12 Gx100RSGB: special callsigns 1130
till 31/12 HB30OK: special callsign 1130
till 31/12 OU1RAEM: special callsign 1130
till 31/12 S5300TP: special callsign 1130
till 31/12 Z320RSM and Z320A-Z320Z: special callsigns 1130
19/01-21/01 JP1EWY/1: Hachijo Island (AS-043) 1133
20/01-28/02 5H1Z: Zanzibar Island (AF-032) 1133

20/01-27/01 C6AGH and C6DX: Great Exuma (NA-001) 1132
20/01-27/02 WA2USA/4: St. George Island (NA-085) 1131
21/01-07/02 6W/F6IRS: Senegal 1133
21/01-08/02 FR/F8APV and FR/F8EOI: Reunion Island (AF-016) 1132
21/01-18/02 HS0ZJF/8: Koh Samui (AS-101) 1129
22/01-25/01 CT8/HB9CQL and CT8/CT3FN: Flores Isl (EU-089), Azores 1133
22/01-01/02 J77A: Dominica (NA-101) 1132
22/01-11/02 J76A: Dominica (NA-101) 1132
23/01-28/01 SI9AM: King Chulalongkorn Memorial ARS 1133
24/01-27/01 L22D: Isla Gama (SA-022) 1130
25/01-27/01 CR2W: Flores Isl (EU-089), Azores 1133
26/01-08/02 CR2V: Flores Isl (EU-089), Azores 1133
26/01-02/02 ZF2TA: Cayman Islands (NA-016) 1133
January C6AGT: Green Turtle Cay (NA-080) 1126
January T6LG: Afghanistan 1111
January VI6AHR30: special event callsign 1129
01/02-31/12 RI1ANP: Progress Station (Antarctica) 1132
04/02-11/02 S79AN: Mahe (AF-024), Seychelles 1133
06/02-18/02 5X8C: Uganda 1133
13/02-23/02 A31WH: Tongatapu (OC-049), Tonga 1133
14/02-23/02 9U4U: Burundi 1131
15/02-18/02 VK4NM/p: Fraser Island (OC-142) 1133
18/02-28/02 H44KW: Guadalcanal (OC-047), Solomon Islands 1117
20/02-02/03 HS0ZJF/9: Koh Butang (AS-126) 1129
24/02-02/03 A31WH/p: Vava'u (OC-064), Tonga 1133
28/02-10/03 TX5K: Clipperton Island (NA-011) 1097
February ST2SF: Sudan 1131
February T6LG: Afghanistan 1111
February-March XT1T: Burkina Faso * by I2YSB and others 1125
01/03-08/03 9M6/N6MUF: East Malaysia 1132
08/03-25/03 H44G: Guadalcanal (OC-047), Solomon Islands 1123
09/03-17/03 YE6A: Rondo Island (OC-245) 1128
10/03-18/03 9M4SLL: Spratly Islands (AS-051) 1132
12/03-23/03 H40T: Nendo Island (OC-100), Temotu Province 1123
30/03-13/04 VK9C/GM2MP: Cocos-Keeling Islands (OC-003) 1133
March HR5/F2JD: Honduras 1131
March ST2SF: Sudan 1131
04/04-18/04 5W0M: Samoa (OC-097) 1125
27/04-04/05 TS8IT: Djerba Island (AF-083) 1117
April HR5/F2JD: Honduras 1131
April ST2SF: Sudan 1131
May HR5/F2JD: Honduras 1131
May ZS8: Marion Island (AF-021) 1133
01/07-31/07 TC150RC: special callsign 1133

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20439. Re: 9Q6AL and DXCC

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-19 00:10:34 UTC
From: John Becker
Topic: 20398 Message: 20439

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20440. RE: [DX-IS] Re: 9Q6AL and DXCC

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-19 00:54:30 UTC
From: ve1al@...
Topic: 20398 Message: 20440

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73

Al, VE1AL

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of John Becker
Sent: Friday, January 18, 2013 8:11 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: 9Q6AL and DXCC

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Yahoo! Groups Links

20441. Re: [DX-IS] Re: 9Q6AL and DXCC

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-19 01:52:07 UTC
From: Kathy Bookmiller
Topic: 20398 Message: 20441

I just got a 9Q6AL card rejected by DXCC for 20/9/2011 15 cw as "No documentation received"
Needed the cw credit:(
Kathy

From: "ve1al@..." <ve1al@...>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Friday, January 18, 2013 7:54 PM
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Re: 9Q6AL and DXCC

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20442. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-19 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 20442

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:Issued: 2013 Jan 19 1210 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30119
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 19 Jan 2013, 1152UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 19 Jan 2013 until 21 Jan 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Quiet conditions (<50% probability of C-class flares)
GEOMAGNETISM : Minor geomagnetic storm expected (A>=30 or K=5)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 19 Jan 2013 10CM FLUX: 109 / AP: 011
PREDICTIONS FOR 20 Jan 2013 10CM FLUX: 100 / AP: 016
PREDICTIONS FOR 21 Jan 2013 10CM FLUX: 098 / AP: 004
COMMENT: Solar conditions where quiet featuring some small C flares and
one C5.8 flare originating from AR NOAA 1654. Quiet conditions are
expected to continue for the next 24 hours.
Geomagnetic conditions where moderate with K values between 2 and 4,
but are expected to increase with the expected arrival of the CME of
wednesday January 16th 19:12 UT as seen in LASCO C2. Geomagnetic
conditions are expected to return to quiet conditions on Sunday January
20th.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 032, BASED ON 04 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 18 Jan 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 039
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 115
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 018
AK WINGST : 014
ESTIMATED AP : 013
ESTIMATED ISN : 026, BASED ON 10 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
END
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20443. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-20 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 20443

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:Issued: 2013 Jan 20 0935 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30120
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 20 Jan 2013, 0920UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 20 Jan 2013 until 22 Jan 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Quiet conditions (<50% probability of C-class flares)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 20 Jan 2013 10CM FLUX: 100 / AP: 008
PREDICTIONS FOR 21 Jan 2013 10CM FLUX: 096 / AP: 004
PREDICTIONS FOR 22 Jan 2013 10CM FLUX: 095 / AP: 004
COMMENT: Solar activity has been very low and is expected to remain so
for the next 24 hours.
The CME of Wednesday January 16th arrived on Saturday evening January
19th, but caused only active geomagnetic conditions (K=4). There was
only a minor jump in the solar wind speed, density and temperature.
Geomagnetic conditions are quiet and are expected to remain so for the
next 24 hours.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 043, BASED ON 03 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 19 Jan 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 107
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : ///
AK WINGST : 012
ESTIMATED AP : 010
ESTIMATED ISN : 034, BASED ON 11 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
END
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20444. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1096

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-20 18:36:57 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 20444 Message: 20444

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Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 13th-January, through Sunday, 20th-January there were 215 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5B, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5W, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9Q, 9V, 9X, 9Y, A4, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C5, C6, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, F, FG, FH, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FW, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J6, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JX, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ7, PY, PY0F, PZ, R1FJ, S2, S5, S7, SM, SP, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T2, T5, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TK, TR, TT, TU, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK9L, VP2E, VP2V, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VR, VU, XE, XU, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, Z8, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD8, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

5H, TANZANIA. Serge, F6AML, will be active as 5H1Z from Zanzibar (AF-032) between January 20th and February 28th. Activity will be on 40-10 meters using CW and SSB. During his time there, he may be active from Mafia Island (AF-054), Pemba Island (AF-063) and an island in the AF-075 IOTA

group. His equipment is a FT857D with a 400w amp into a HF6V with 8 radials. QSL via his home callsign, direct (see QRZ.com) or by the Bureau (he suggests Bureau E-mail request <qsldxped@...>).

5X, UGANDA (Update). Members of the F6KOP team are expected to be active as 5X8C between February 6-18th, from a location some 20 Km from Entebbe airport. The latest report states that the team is now complete with the last operators Jean-Louis/F5NHJ and David/EI9FBB. Unfortunately, Frank, F4AJQ, will not be able to operate from 5X and is now the team leader of the "Back Office" in France. Operators Seb/F5UFX and Alain/F6ENO are now team leaders of the DXpedition to 5X. Mode leaders are Bernard/F9IE (CW), Flo/F5CWU (SSB) and Jean-Paul/F8BJI (RTTY). The current DXpedition team is as follows:
CW Team #1: Seb/F5UFX, Dave/K4SV, Patrick/F2DX and Norbert/DJ7JC
CW Team #2: Alain/F6ENO, Jean-Marc/F8IXZ, Stephane/F5UOW and Jean-Jacques/F5NKX
SSB Team #1: Gerard/F2JD, Gerard/F2VX, Eric/ON7RN and François/ON4LO
SSB Team #2: Michel/FM5CD, Lars/DF1LON, Uwe/DL8OBF and David/EI9FBB
RTTY Team: Jean-Paul/F8BJI, Hans/DL1YFF, Jean-Louis/F5NHJ and Michel/F5EOT
Mixed Mode Team: Flo/F5CWU, Valery/RG8K, Mike/UA9KGH/1 and Bernard/F9IE

John, F5VHQ, will join the team on February 13th, which will complete the 25. The two pilots stations are: Thierry/F4TTR for the French speaking people and Andre/V51B, for the English speaking Hams. All the matters are booked and papers are in hand. Look for the first signals expected on February 8th, around noon. The main focus will be on the low bands, with two dedicated K3 radios. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK. Suggested frequencies were published in OPDX.1081. The last hand to control the gear and finish the packaging is scheduled at the F6KOP QTH on January 26-27th. The group is still looking for donations/ funds, and they would like to "thank a lot firms, sellers, DX Bulletins editors, associations, hams and all of you who helped" them in this new F6KOP adventure. Those who want help them can go to their donors page at: http://www.5x2013.com/index.php/help-us
Also, don't forget to sign their Guest book at:
http://www.5x2013.com/index.php/guestbook
You can subscribe to the mail diary at: f5nql@...
Yann, F1NGP, will be their QSL Manager (100% OK Direct, ClubLog's OQRS, Bureau and LoTW). For more details and updates, see:
http://www.5x2013.com

60 METER NEWS.....
* Johan, SM0TSC, has been given an experimental license for six months to put Sweden on 60 meters (5 MHz). He is allowed to operate on 5310, 5320, 5380 and 5390 center frequency plus 1.5 KHz, maximum of 3 kHz bandwidth and 100 watts. For skeds on any mode, E-mail him at:
sm0tsc@...

* Peter, OX3XR, reports that Greenland has now gotten the following frequency band for 5 MHz: 5250-5450 kHz. He will soon be active using a dipole on 5 MHz.

9G, GHANA. Marcel, AI6MS, reports [edited]: "I will be operating portable from January-May 2013 in Ghana, West Africa, as 9G5MS with my Yaesu FT-857D. Anyone is welcome to make a contact, though priority will be given to schools, universities, and prescheduled contacts. I am volunteering with a non-profit called 'Medicine on the Move' and will be using amateur radio in the classroom for the students from the 'AvTech Academy' in Kpong, Ghana. QSL cards are tentatively planned and can be expected in the 2nd half of 2013 if requested. I hope to be operating during the ARRL School Club Roundup as well."

9Y, TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO (Cancelled). Jim, N6TJ, has cancelled his activity as 9Y4W from Scarborough, Tobago Island (SA-009, WLOTA 0412), for the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 16-17th). His host on Tobago has a broken tower and there is no time to fix it before the contest.

A3, TONGA (Update). Werner, DJ9KH, will be active from Tongatapu Island (OC-049) between February 13-23rd, and Vava'u Island (OC-064) between February 24th and March 2nd. His callsigns will be A31WH (OC-049) and A31WH/p (OC-064). He will pick up his license as soon as he arrives in Tonga. His equipment will be a K3 with 100 watts and wire-antennas (loops and verticals). Activity will be on the HF bands, depending on propagation. Suggested frequencies are:
CW - 1826.5, 3505, 7020, 10105, 14024, 18080, 21024, 24894 and 28024 kHz
SSB - 3799, 7070, 14190, 18145, 21290, 24950 and 28490 kHz
RTTY - 10140, 14080, 18110, 21080, 24920 and 28080 kHz

QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the DARC Bureau. He plans to update on <http://www.tonga2013.de/> every day and give information about planned activities, modes and frequencies. He doesn☐t use an online-log, LoTW and e-QSL.

DAYTON HAMVENTION NEWS. Tim, K3LR, reports that the 2013 Dayton TopBand dinner will be held on Friday evening May 17th, at the Crowne Plaza in the Presidential Ballroom - downtown Dayton, Ohio. Top Band Social hour is at 6:15 PM and Dinner starts at 7:15 PM. Noted Top Band enthusiast - Larry "Tree" Tyree, N6TR will give a program. Reservations are available online with credit cards and PayPal. Use the "contact us" information if you need to make other arrangements. All of the details are available here: http://topbanddinner.com
Scroll down to make your reservations. Four nights of great hospitality are also at the Crowne Plaza Contest Super Suite. Details are here: http://contestsupersuite.com

DXCC NEWS. Bill Moore, NC1L, ARRL Awards Branch Manager, is now accepting the following operation for DXCC credit:
Z81Z ☐ Republic of South Sudan; Current operation commencing January 8, 2013

FRENCH SOUTHERN INDIAN OCEAN TOUR. Gildas, TU5KG, is once again traveling through the South Indian Ocean on a fishing boat. As in past years, he will be sailing in both the Kerguelen and Crozet Island regions, and may activate the islands (if he goes ashore) using his new callsigns - FT5XT

(Kerguelen) and FT5WQ (Crozet). When at sea, he will sign as callsign/mm. QSL via F4DXW, direct only. View his QSL card on QRZ.com.

H40, TEMOTU PROVINCE. Sigi, DK9FN, will once again return to the Temotu Province for a fifth time and be active as H40FN, but this time from Lata, Nendo Island (OC-100) between December 21st and January 6th (2014). QSL via HA8DD, direct only. More details will be forthcoming. Watch the QRZ.com Web site at: http://www.qrz.com/db/H40FN

IO5, ITALY (Special Event/AAW Week). Leo, IW5EFX, informs OPDX that he will be active as IO5SP during the month of February and 10th Antarctic Activity Week (AAW). The suffix stands for "South Pole". A special QSL will be sent 100% via the Bureau. See info on QRZ.com. He also mentions to look for IO5ANT during the AAWeek from National Antarctic Museum in Siena, Italy. QSL will be sent 100% via the Bureau.

IOTA NEWS.....
EU-006. Members of the Westnet DX Group will once again be active as EJ7NET from the Aran Islands between May 10-15th. Operators mentioned are Declan/EI6FR, Tony/EI3HA, Tony/EI2GX, Liam/EI7DSB, Dermot/EI5IQ, Tony/EI2KC, Bernhard/HB9ASZ, Rolf/HB9DGV, Gordon/ MM0BIM, Barry/GM3YEH, John/GM0DJG and Allan/GM3OZB. Activity will be on all HF bands and modes. QSL via LoTW, or direct to Declan, EI6FR. NO eQSL or Bureau QSLs.

EU-016. Operators ON2AV, Danny/ON4CEZ and Jan/ON7JA will active as 9A/OO7T/p from Brac Island (ACIA IC-657, CIA-04, IOCA CI-010, MIA MC-042, WLOTA 0416), Croatia, between July 24th and August 2nd. Activity will be on all bands and modes. They will also be an entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th). QSL is 100% via the Bureau. No e-QSL.

EU-123. Operators Ken/G0ORH and David/G3KLH will be active as MM3I from Arran Island (IOSA CL01, SCOTIA CS14), in the Clyde Islands IOTA group between July 22-30th. Activity will include an entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th). Look for activity on 30/17/12 meters outside of the contest. They also plan some activity on 60 meters (5 MHz). QSL via G0ORH.

OC-285. Ralph, H44RK (aka 5W0W), is going to activate Sikaiana Atoll. Dates have not been provided. Ralph is currently active from Apia, Somoa, until March 3rd. He is looking for 2-3 operators, but 1 operator must be CW POC. If interested, contact Ralph at <ralph.honiara@...> or NR6M at <turvin2009@yahoo.com>.

SA-096. (Correction) In OPDX.1095, the Web page for the LU6W DXpedition was listed wrong which could have an impact on donations. It should have been: http://lu6w.yosalite.com

J5, GUINEA BISSAU. Members of Verona DX Team will once again return to Cumura to help with the mission work and be active as J52HF between February 10th and March 2nd. In their spare time, they will be on air

on the HF bands and 50 MHz, SSB only. Operators mentioned are Livio/IZ3BUR, Libero/IK3RBE, Enzo/IK3VVD, Ilario/IZ3STA and Milena/IK3VZJ. QSL via I3LDP. More details should be forthcoming, but you can view details and pictures from their 2012 DXpedition at: http://www.ari.verona.it/veronadxteam/en

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (January 21-27th)....
Jan/21st AN Jan/24th AN Jan/26th AN
Jan/22nd AN Jan/25th AN Jan/27th AN
Jan/23rd AN

SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS/INDEXES AND GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE
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NORMALITY GEOMAG K Values Alpha
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AN - Above Normal Quiet K=0-1 0-7
HN - High Normal Unsettled K=2 8-15
LN - Low Normal Active K=3 16-29
BN - Below Normal Minor Storm K=4 30-49
DIS - Disturbed Major Storm K=5 50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed Severe Storm K=6-9 100-400

NH0, MARIANA ISLANDS. Joe, JA1LZR, will be active as NH0Z during the CQ 160 Meter CW Contest (January 25-27th) as a Single-Op entry. Activity will be from Tinian Island (OC-086, USI NI003S, WLOTA 3108). QSL via JJ2VLY (see QRZ.com).

P4, ARUBA. Helmut, DF7ZS, will once again be active (possibly as P41P) from Aruba (SA-036) between March 26th and April 3rd. Activity will include the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 30-31st) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. Some casual operations will take place before and after the contest on 17/12 meters. The callsign for the WPX contest is still tentative. QSL via his home callsign. Watch his home page at: http://www.df7zs.de

PF100, THE NETHERLANDS (Special Event). Operator Fred, PA0FAW, (ISWL Member PA-11092, FISTS #9858), will be operating with the special call-sign PF100ZOO between February 1-28th. Activity is to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the very well known Arnhem Zoo (Official name is Burgers Zoo). Operations will mainly be CW and SSB, with some Digital modes. Fred will once again be active from the De Hoge Veluwe National Park (WFF PAFF-005) and from Grid Locator Squares: JO21WX, JO22VA and JO32AA. QSL via PA0FAW, by the Bureau, direct and eQSL.cc. (No LOTW). SWL reports are always welcome and appreciated. See QRZ.com.

PJ2, CURACAO. Operators Mike/W1USN, Bob/AA1M and Scott/W1SSR will be active as PJ2/homecall from Curacao (SA-099, WLOTA LH-0942) between March 8-22th. Activity will be on all bands 160-10 meters using CW, SSB, PSK and RTTY. QSL via their home callsign, direct CBA or by the Bureau.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated January 13th)

6W2SC via HA3AUI (d) OE2013HTL via OE5HTL OE2013Y via OE2IGP
8S0DX via SM0DSG OE2013I via OE7XCI OE2013ZK via OE3ZK
BD3CB via BA4EG OE2013J via OE5DFL OE2013Z via OE6CLD
CT8/K0RUI via K0RUI OE2013K via OE1DIA OG9W via OH2BCI
GB2LBC via MX0WRC OE2013LCM via OE2LCM OK/OE2013J/P via OE5DFL
HG2W via HA2QW OE2013LRO via OE2LRO PY0F/PP1CZ via PP1CZ
HG4I via HA5LN OE2013MMF via OE6MMF RV9DC via EA6SK
HK1T via EA5KB OE2013M via OE3KLU RW17AK via R3COM
JA3BZO/VK9L via JA3BZO OE2013N via OE5NNN SE6W via SM6XKB
KD0JJO/DU7 via KD0JJO OE2013O via OE3XOA SF6DX via SM6FUD
OE2013AGT via OE7AGT OE2013P via OE8SPW TA4/DL6RO via DL6RO
OE2013A via OE8SKQ OE2013Q via OE5KE UE70Q via RM3Q
OE2013BCK via OE8BCK OE2013R via OE9XRV UK8OM via 4Z5OG (d)
OE2013B via OE2RWL OE2013SEL via OE7SEL UN7NFD via RW6HS (d)
OE2013CFC via OE3CFC OE2013T via OE7XCI UT2G via UR7GW
OE2013C via OE4RGC OE2013U via OE3GCU XE1RK via EA5ZD
OE2013DRM via OE5DRM OE2013V via OE6WIG YL1S via YL1ZS
OE2013FKS via OE3FKS OE2013WCW via OE3WCW YN9SU via TI4SU
OE2013F via OE7SPI OE2013W via OE1W Z320K via Z33A
OE2013GOA via OE1GOA OE2013XFS via OE3PFS ZF2PG via K8PGJ
OE2013GTU via OE1GTU OE2013XRG via OE6CBG
OE2013G via OE9SEI OE2013X via OE5RBO
OE2013E via OE4VIE (all QSOs will be automatically confirmed with a
bureau QSL and via LoTW, do not send a bureau QSL, it is not necessary)

(d) direct only (B) Bureau only (L) LoTW only

2O12W QSL STATUS. Glyn, GW0ANA, reports: "I would advise that all direct QSL cards have now been sent out, also log uploaded to LoTW and eQSL. The direct QSLs were delayed due to problems on design due to Olympic Logo authorization having to go to Olympic committee. All logos now approved and cards printed and gone out."

TIME TO UPDATE YOUR GS-IRC CHART (Update). Bill, W9OL, informs OPDX that he has made many updates to his GS/IRC Chart. He states, "It's the New Year and many countries are raising their postal prices, and it's time to update the cost of QSLing. Please take a look at the GS-IRC Chart and let me know of any changes in postage for the country YOU reside in. There is a lot of OLD data that I have NOT received updates on. If you live in or have a friend who resides in these missing countries, please elicit his help in obtaining the new information.
The current chart resides at:
http://www.qsl.net/w9ol/IRC_Chart.htm
If you wish to download the whole file, go to:
http://www.qsl.net/w9ol/IRC_Chart.xls

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 4L8A, 5B4AIF, 5V7TH, 5X1RO, 6K2DFG, 7P8D, 9L0W, 9V1YC, A61BK, BG2AUE, C6AUM, CE3EEA, CP4BT, CT7ACG, CU3AK, D4C, DL3MDJ, DO4DXA, EA1HFI, EK3GM, EX2B, F6AUS, FK8DD, FM/KL7WA, FS/K9EL, GJ2A, HA3NU, HC2UB, HC6EP, HI8PLE, HS0ZIA, J68UN, J6/N7QT, JM1XCW, K1GI/VP9,

KH2/N2NL, LA1SNA, LX75RL, LZ3YY, NH8S, PA1CC, PJ4D, PJ5J, R7NA, RA6HJA, RC0F, RZ3DX, RZ3EC, SA5K, SM6M, T40C, T6LG, T6MH, TT8TT, UA0BA, V31ME, V73/KJ6GHN, VP2MOM, VK7XX, VP8KF, VQ9LA, WH0/K0BBC, YI1RZ, YQ6A, YT0W, YT9A, ZC4LI, ZF1A, ZL9HR, ZS1LS and ZS6EC

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3B8SP, 4L4WW, 4L8A, 4M5CW, 4O7VB, 5C2P, 5N7M, 5T5BV, 5V7TH, 5T0SP, 9Y4/DL7VOG, BM0LF, BV7GC, C93FF , CY9M, D44TXR, E40V, EY7AD, HH8/N3BNA, HL2DC, J75Z, J79IX, J79WE, JY8VB, LT0X, NH8S, P29NI, P29VCX, P29VPB, PA3EVY, RI0K, SU9VB, T77C, T8XX, T88UE, TI8M, TO3R, TO8YY, TZ6VV, UK8LA, UP4L, V31WV, VK9/OH1VR, VK9/OH3JR, VK9XS, VK0TH, VP2MDG, XT2RJA, YU9VB, Z38VB and ZS2Y

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: NONE REPORTED THIS WEEK!!!!

S7, SEYCHELLES. Operators of the Uruguay DX Group (Mario/CX4CR and Bert/CX3AN) plan a 2013 DXpedition to the Seychelles. However, Mario had developed some health problem and ended up with a triple by-pass. At the moment he is recovering 100% and again on the bands. Bert will go ahead with the plans, but alone for this year's DXpedition. Look for him to be active as S79AN from Pointe Larue on Mahe Island (AF-024) between February 4-11th. Activity will be holiday style on 80-6 meters, including 30/17/12 meters, using CW and SSB. He will try to operate as much as he can. QSL via CX3AN direct only (see QRZ.com). NO Bureau or eQSL.

SI9, SWEDEN. Operators Raf/ON5RZ, Dirk/ON7DS and Jean/ON4JW will operate as SI9AM between January 23-28th, from the "King Chulalongkorn Memorial" the largest Thai Pavilion in the world outside Thailand in Raganda, Sweden. The trio plan to be an entry in the UBA DX Contest (January 26-27th). Outside of the contest, they will be active on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and FM. Suggested frequencies are:
CW - 1817, 3517, 7017, 10117, 14017, 18077, 21017, 24897 and 28017 kHz
SSB - 1840, 3760, 7060, 14210, 18160, 21310, 24960 and 28510 kHz
FM - 145.550 MHz and repeater RV49 - 145.612 MHz
QSL via SM3CVM, direct or by the Bureau. Bureau cards can be requested by E-mail at: info(at)si9am.se
Visit the SI9AM Web page at: http://www.si9am.se
Look at their special page at: http://www.si9am.tk

TC16, TURKEY (Special Event). Members of the Turkish Radio Amateur Club (TRAC) from the Bursa Branch (the YM3KB team) are currently activating the special callsign TC16BURSA as of January 10th through March 10th. Activity will be on all the bands under the terms of propagation, using CW, SSB, PSK snd ROS modes. Station information about actively working bands, frequencies and modes will be announced online on their Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/trac.bursasubesi> and their QRZ.com page <http://www.qrz.com/db/TC16BURSA>. QSL direct to POB 76, Gencosman, BURSA, 16105 Turkey.

TCSWAT 2013 ACTIVITIES ANNOUNCED. Bekir, TA2RX, informs OPDX that the members of the "TC Special Wireless Activity Team" (TCSWAT) have announced their activities for 2013 to activate several special callsigns in memory

of those who lost their lives in WWI and some other upcoming anniversaries. The "Giresun Radio Amateurs and Nature Sports Club" (GITRAD) will also join them on two more such activities listed below. The TCSWAT might be organizing some foreign DXpeditions again, if they can get the permissions. The current agenda and callsigns are as follows:
January 15-31st - TC150RC; 150th Year of Robert College
February 1-28th - TC1BW; In memory of TA1BW (SK) - Asil Feri
March 16-18th - TC18M; In memory of the Naval Victory of March 18, 1915
April 1-15th - TC47A; In memory of the 47th Giresun Volunteer Regiment
April 20-25th - TC57A; Scouts Camp in "Memory of Martyrs", Çanakkale
June 28-30th - Friedrichshafen HamFest (TCSWAT hopes to see you there)
July 1-31st - TC150RC; 150th Year of Robert College
August 26-31st - TC42A; In Memory of the 42th Giresun Volunteer Regiment
October 14-30th - TC90TC; 90th Anniversary of the Turkish Republic
November 1-17th - TC301B; 30th Anniversary of the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus
December 20-25th- TC9SAM; Scouts Camp in Memory of Martyrs, Erzurum
** Also look for TC0C and TC2C to be in various contests. TC2C was active this past weekend from YM2SFT club station during the HA DX Contest as Multi-Op/Single-Transmitter/Low-Power entry. Look for more activities that might be announced as they come along.

TM10, FRANCE (AAW Special Event). Look for special event station TM10AAW to be on air on February 2-3th, 8-10th and 15-24th. Activity is to celebrate the 10th Antarctic Activity Week (AAW). Operations will be made by François, F8DVD, from his QTH in Mâcon, in the eastern part of France, 60 km north of Lyon. The reference for the WAP program is 235. Operations will be on 40-10 meters, mostly SSB. QSL via F8DVD, direct (SAE + 1 IRC or 2 USDs) or by the Bureau.

TO22, GUADELOUPE. French operators Michel/F6GWV and Gildas/F6HMQ will be active as TO22C from Guadeloupe between February 17th and March 3rd. Activity will be on all bands, but with a focus on 160 meters. QSL via F6HMQ.

UN, KAZAKHSTAN. Tony, RT9T (ex-RX9TL), will be active as UN/RT9T during the CQ 160 Meter CW Contest (January 25-27th). QSL via his home callsign. Look for activity before the contest.

VK9C, COCOS KEELING ISLANDS. Operators Chris/GM3WOJ (ZK2V) and Keith/GM4YXI (ZK2X) will be active signing VK9C/GM2MP from Cocos Keeling Island (OC-003) between March 30th and April 13th. Activity will be on SSB and CW, with some RTTY. It is hoped to have a real-time logging system and daily LoTW uploads if possible. More details to follow ...

VK9N, NORFOLK ISLAND. Ten operators and members of the Oceania DX Group (ODXG) will be active as VK9NT from Norfolk Island (OC-005) between May 3-13th. Planning is now well underway with accommodations and air travel booked. The group plans to have 4 stations covering all bands 80-10 meters on CW, SSB and RTTY. Operators mentioned are Chris/VK3QB (Team Leader), Luke/VK3HJ, Lee/VK3GK, Benton/VK3CBV, Allan/VK2CA (QSL Manager/Webmaster),

Catherine/VK4GH, John/VK4IO, Roy/VK3GB, Peter/VK3IJ and Graeme/VK3GL.
An "Online QSL Request Service" will be available for Bureau, and direct
cards on ClubLog which is the PREFERRED method. If for some reason you
cannot use the OQRS or LoTW, QSL can go direct to VK2CA. For more details
and updates, visit the VK9NT Web page at: http://vk9nt.odxg.org

VP5, TURKS AND CAICOS ISLANDS. Jeff, K0UU (ex-WV3B), will be active as
VP5/K0UU from Grand Turk Island (NA-003) between February 13-21st. Activity
will be focused on the 30/17/12 meters and the ARRL DX CW Contest (February
16-17th) signing with the special callsign VQ5RP. QSL via LoTW or K0UU,
(direct or by the Bureau).

Z6, KOSOVO. Marijan, S56A, will be active as Z6/S56A from Batlava Lake
during the CQ 160 Meter CW Contest (January 25-27th) as a Low-Power
entry. QSL via S56A.

ZS8, MARION ISLAND. Reports indicate that David, ZS1BCE, has been appointed
to be the new radio technician on Marion Island (AF-021) for one year
between April and May (2014). David is expected to depart from Cape Town
on April 15th, and radio activity will start about four weeks later.
Operations will only be on SSB and on most HF bands. Currently, he does
not have a ZS8 callsign, but he plans to applied for ZS8D. QSL via Pierre,
ZS1HF, who was the last operator from Marion as ZS8M.

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20445. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-21 14:01:03 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 20445

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:Issued: 2013 Jan 21 1252 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30121
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 21 Jan 2013, 1232UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 21 Jan 2013 until 23 Jan 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >= 50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 21 Jan 2013 10CM FLUX: 106 / AP: 003
PREDICTIONS FOR 22 Jan 2013 10CM FLUX: 105 / AP: 004
PREDICTIONS FOR 23 Jan 2013 10CM FLUX: 107 / AP: 003
COMMENT: Three sunspot groups are reported by NOAA today: NOAA ARs
1654, 1658 (Catania numbers 64 and 69 respectively), and 1660 (no
Catania number yet). A C-class flare is possible in the newly emerged
NOAA AR 1660. The Earth is currently inside a slow (around 350 km/s)
solar wind flow with weak to average (3-4 nT) interplanetary magnetic
field magnitude. We expect quiet geomagnetic conditions.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 035, BASED ON 03 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 20 Jan 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 107
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 014
AK WINGST : 011
ESTIMATED AP : 011
ESTIMATED ISN : 031, BASED ON 06 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
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20446. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-22 14:01:04 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 20446

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:Issued: 2013 Jan 22 1245 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
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# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
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SIDC URSIGRAM 30122
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 22 Jan 2013, 1236UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 22 Jan 2013 until 24 Jan 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >= 50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 22 Jan 2013 10CM FLUX: 109 / AP: 002
PREDICTIONS FOR 23 Jan 2013 10CM FLUX: 110 / AP: 003
PREDICTIONS FOR 24 Jan 2013 10CM FLUX: 113 / AP: 003
COMMENT: NOAA AR 1660 (Catania sunspot groups 70 and 71) continues to
to grow and develop magnetic complexity (currently beta-gamma
configuration of its photospheric magnetic field). We expect C-class
flares from this active region. A low-latitude coronal hole in the
southern hemisphere reached solar central meridian. The corresponding
fast solar wind stream will probably arrive at the Earth on January 25,
possibly resulting in active geomagnetic conditions. The Earth is
currently inside a slow (around 320 km/s) solar wind flow with weak
(around 3 nT) interplanetary magnetic field magnitude. We expect quiet
geomagnetic conditions in the coming hours.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 035, BASED ON 08 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 21 Jan 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 108
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 006
AK WINGST : 004
ESTIMATED AP : 003
ESTIMATED ISN : 029, BASED ON 08 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
END
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20447. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-23 14:01:05 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 20447

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:Issued: 2013 Jan 23 1239 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
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# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
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SIDC URSIGRAM 30123
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 23 Jan 2013, 1216UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 23 Jan 2013 until 25 Jan 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >= 50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Active conditions expected (A>=20 or K=4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 23 Jan 2013 10CM FLUX: 112 / AP: 003
PREDICTIONS FOR 24 Jan 2013 10CM FLUX: 114 / AP: 003
PREDICTIONS FOR 25 Jan 2013 10CM FLUX: 116 / AP: 014
COMMENT: Catania sunspot group 70 (NOAA AR 1660) still has the
potential to produce a C-class flare. A B5.4 flare peaking around 03:31
UT in this group was accompanied by coronal dimmings and a post-eruption
arcade, but with only a weak and narrow CME (according to STEREO COR2
data) that is not expected to arrive at the Earth. The Earth is
currently inside a slow (around 290 km/s) solar wind flow with weak
(around 1-2 nT) interplanetary magnetic field magnitude. We expect quiet
geomagnetic conditions in the coming hours. On January 25 we expect the
arrival of a fast solar wind stream emanating from a low-latitude
coronal hole in the southern hemisphere, possibly resulting in active
geomagnetic conditions.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 042, BASED ON 09 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 22 Jan 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 062
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 110
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 005
AK WINGST : 000
ESTIMATED AP : 001
ESTIMATED ISN : 038, BASED ON 16 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
END
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20448. new email addy

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-23 20:59:03 UTC
From: Dale H. Cole K8TS
Topic: 20448 Message: 20448

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20449. new addy

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-23 21:46:45 UTC
From: Dale H. Cole K8TS
Topic: 20449 Message: 20449

now dhc4fun@...

Thanks

Dale

20450. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-24 14:01:05 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 20450

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:Issued: 2013 Jan 24 1250 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
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# (RWC Belgium) #
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SIDC URSIGRAM 30124
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 24 Jan 2013, 1226UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 24 Jan 2013 until 26 Jan 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Quiet conditions (<50% probability of C-class flares)
GEOMAGNETISM : Active conditions expected (A>=20 or K=4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 24 Jan 2013 10CM FLUX: 107 / AP: 004
PREDICTIONS FOR 25 Jan 2013 10CM FLUX: 109 / AP: 013
PREDICTIONS FOR 26 Jan 2013 10CM FLUX: 112 / AP: 003
COMMENT: Solar X-ray background flux has decreased to B2 level during
the past 24 hours. We do not expect C-class flares, even if the Catania
sunspot group 70 (NOAA AR 1660) keeps beta-gamma configuration of its
photospheric magnetic field. The Earth is currently inside a slow
(around 270 km/s) solar wind flow with weak (around 3 nT) interplanetary
magnetic field magnitude. We expect quiet geomagnetic conditions in the
coming hours. Tomorrow we expect the arrival of a fast solar wind stream
emanating from a low-latitude coronal hole in the southern hemisphere,
possibly resulting in active geomagnetic conditions.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 038, BASED ON 08 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 23 Jan 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 072
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 105
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 004
AK WINGST : 001
ESTIMATED AP : 001
ESTIMATED ISN : 040, BASED ON 12 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
END
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20451. ARLD004 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-24 23:14:36 UTC
From: jjreisert@...
Topic: 8961 Message: 20451

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ARLD004 DX news

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DX Bulletin 4 ARLD004
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Newington CT January 24, 2013
To all radio amateurs

SB DX ARL ARLD004
ARLD004 DX news

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by K1SFA, NC1L, QRZ DX, The Weekly DX, the OPDX Bulletin, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, DXNL, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

SENEGAL, 6W. Jean-Claude, F6IRS is QRV as 6W/F6IRS until February 7. Activity is holiday style on all HF bands using mostly SSB during his late afternoons into early evening. QSL to home call.

GHANA, 9G. Marcel, AI6MS is QRV as 9G5MS until May 2013 while working as a volunteer with Medicine on the Move. This includes being active in the upcoming ARRL School Club Roundup. QSL to home call.

FRANCE, F. Gil, F4FET/p is QRV from the Lighthouse Boulogne sur mer, ARLHS FRA-089, until January 31. Activity is on the HF bands using SSB. QSL to home call.

REUNION ISLAND, FR. Pierre, F8APV and Stephane, F8EOI are QRV as FR/home calls until February 9. Activity is on 40 to 10 meters with an emphasis on 30 meters CW and 20 meters using SSB. QSL to home calls.

THAILAND, HS. Eddy, ON4AFU is QRV as HS0ZJF/8 from Koh Samui, IOTA AS-101, until February 18. Activity is on 40 to 10 meters using CW only. He plans to be active from IOTA group AS-126. QSL to home call.

GUINEA-BISSAU, J5. Peter, HA3AUI is QRV as J5UAP until March 10. Activity is on 40 to 10 meters using mainly CW and digital modes. QSL direct to home call.

MARIANA ISLANDS, KH0. Joe, JA1LZR is QRV as NH0Z until January 28. This includes an entry in the CQ 160 Meter CW contest. QSL via

JJ2VLY.

NETHERLANDS, PA. Special event station PH00ZWAT is QRV until January 27 from the former Radio Nederland Wereldomroep antenna park in Zeewolde. QSL via operator's instructions.

SWEDEN, SM. A group of operators are QRV as SI9AM from the King Chulalongkorn Memorial Amateur Radio Society station in Ragunda until January 28. Activity is on 160 to 10 meters using CW and SSB. This includes an entry in the UBA DX contest. QSL via SM3CVM.

EGYPT, SU. Gerd, DJ5IW is QRV as SU/DJ5IW from El Fardous until February 8. Activity is on 20 meters and above. QSL to home call.

TURKEY, TA. Members of the Turkish Radio Amateur Club from the Bursa Branch are QRV using special callsign TC16BURSA until March 10. Activity is on all bands using CW, SSB, PSK and ROS modes. QSL via operators' instructions.

CHAD, TT. Sergiy, US3EZ is QRV as TT8/US3EZ until March. QSL to home call.

KAZAKHSTAN, UN. Tony, RT9T is QRV as UN/RT9T. This includes an entry in the CQ 160 Meter CW contest. QSL to home call.

ANTARCTICA. Craig, VK6JJJ is a member of the Antarctica Australian National Antarctic Research Expedition 2013/14 and is QRV as VK0JJJ from Mawson Base in the Mac Robertson Land until January 2014. Activity is on 160 to 6 meters using SSB and digital modes. QSL via K7CO.

AUSTRALIA, VK. Radio amateurs in Australia may substitute their normal VK prefix for AX on January 26 in commemoration of Australia Day.

MEXICO, XE. Dario, LU3DR is QRV as XE3/LU3DR from the Quintana Roo State until January 28. He is active using SSB on 20, 17, 15 and 10 meters. QSL to home call.

SERBIA, YU. Members of the Old Timers Club of the Amateur Radio Union of Serbia are QRV as YU15OTC during 2013 in celebration of its 15th anniversary. Activity is on all bands and modes. QSL via YU6A.

CAYMAN ISLANDS, ZF. Ted, K8AQM will be QRV as ZF2TA from January 26 to February 2. Activity will be holiday style on 20 to 10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL to home call.

OPERATIONS APPROVED FOR DXCC CREDIT. The following operations are approved for DXCC Credit: Laos, XWPA, 2010 to 2011 operation; Laos, XW4XR, current operations.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The CQ 160-Meter CW Contest, BARTG RTTY Sprint, NAQCC Straight Key/Bug CW Sprint, QRP CW Fox Hunt, NCCC Sprint CW Ladder, REF CW Contest, UBA DX SSB Contest, SPAR Winter Field Day, WAB 1.8 MHz Phone Contest and the QRP ARCI Fireside SSB Sprint are all on tap for this upcoming weekend. The Classic CW Exchange is scheduled for January 28. The QRP CW Fox Hunt is scheduled for January 30. Please see January 2013 QST, page 87, and the ARRL and WA7BNM Contest websites for details.
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20452. LOTW again.

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-25 13:55:31 UTC
From: KQ8M
Topic: 20452 Message: 20452

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Charter Member North Coast Contesters

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20453. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-25 14:01:05 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 20453

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:Issued: 2013 Jan 25 1241 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30125
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 25 Jan 2013, 1214UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 25 Jan 2013 until 27 Jan 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Quiet conditions (<50% probability of C-class flares)
GEOMAGNETISM : Active conditions expected (A>=20 or K=4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 25 Jan 2013 10CM FLUX: 103 / AP: 005
PREDICTIONS FOR 26 Jan 2013 10CM FLUX: 101 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 27 Jan 2013 10CM FLUX: 098 / AP: 013
COMMENT: The solar activity is very low, there were no C-class flares
reported during last 5 days. The C-class flares are still possible but
not very probable. A partial halo CME was detected by SOHO/LASCO on
January 23. The CME was first observed in the SOHO/LASCO C2 field of
view at about 14:00 UT, had angular width of about 240 degrees and
projected speed around 500 km/s. It was associated with a prominence
eruption and EIT wave, situated at that moment on the North-East
quadrant of the Sun. It seems that the CME was directed somewhat
northward of the Sun-Earth line. Therefore, we expect the arrival of
only a CME-driven shock at the Earth, probably late on January 26 or
early on January 27. It might result in active geomagnetic conditions.
The solar wind speed is currently about 400 km/s and slowly increasing
what is probably indication of the arrival of the fast solar wind stream
from a low-latitude coronal hole in the southern hemisphere. The Bz
component of the interplanetary magnetic field is fluctuating, with
occasional intervals of negative values (up to -5 nT). We expect quiet
to possibly active geomagnetic conditions in the next 24 hours.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 028, BASED ON 06 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 24 Jan 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 061
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 103
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 005
AK WINGST : 001
ESTIMATED AP : 001
ESTIMATED ISN : 039, BASED ON 14 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
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END
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20454. Re: [DX-IS] LOTW again.

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-25 14:07:22 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 20452 Message: 20454

On 1/25/2013 9:55 AM, KQ8M wrote:
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> timeout error. Is anyone else experiencing this or is my connection
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> 73,
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> Tim Herrick, KQ8M
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>

Seems to work fine here, Tim. Since the recent hardware upgrade, my uploads are processed in minutes. In the past week it's not unusual to upload a file after a day's DXing and then check 30-40 minutes later to find several matches, indicating my file and that of my QSO partners have been all processed.

73, Paul VE1DX

20455. RE: [DX-IS] LOTW again.

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-25 14:18:55 UTC
From: Arne Fast
Topic: 20452 Message: 20455

Hello TIM

For some days there have been a note is was out off use today 12.00 Z to 16.00 Z

Br Arne OZ4VW

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of KQ8M
Sent: 25. januar 2013 14:56
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] LOTW again.

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20456. RE: [DX-IS] LOTW again.

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-25 14:33:16 UTC
From: KQ8M
Topic: 20452 Message: 20456

Thanks Paul and Arne. I don't get the normal offline page I just can't connect but if they are supposed to be down then I am OK. Lol

Paul, I didn't mean about speed. Yes, it is extremely fast now. Kudo's for the hardware upgrade.

73,

Tim Herrick, KQ8M

Charter Member North Coast Contesters

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Server Ports: V6 3607, V4 Active 3605, V4 Passive 3606

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Arne Fast
Sent: Friday, January 25, 2013 9:19 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] LOTW again.

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20457. RE: [DX-IS] LOTW again.

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-25 14:34:29 UTC
From: ve1al@...
Topic: 20452 Message: 20457

While I have not had any time out issues before, I checked LoTW a few moments ago and that's exactly what I got: A "timed out" message. I'm sure the problem will be fixed shortly.

73

Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of KQ8M
Sent: Friday, January 25, 2013 9:56 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
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20458. ARLP004 Propagation de K7RA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-25 16:24:31 UTC
From: jjreisert@...
Topic: 470 Message: 20458

SB PROP @ ARL $ARLP004
ARLP004 Propagation de K7RA

ZCZC AP04
QST de W1AW
Propagation Forecast Bulletin 4 ARLP004
>From Tad Cook, K7RA
Seattle, WA January 25, 2013
To all radio amateurs

SB PROP ARL ARLP004
ARLP004 Propagation de K7RA

Average daily sunspot numbers over the past week were less than half the value for the previous week, dropping nearly 73 points to 56.4. Average daily solar flux declined as well, nearly 47 points to 110.7. Average geomagnetic indices were up about 50%, but still very quiet. The higher average was due to events on January 17, when the planetary A index was 13, higher than recent measures, but still moderate. The cause of the mild disturbance was the arrival of a CME, or Coronal Mass Ejection.

Predicted solar flux from the January 24 forecast from NOAA and USAF has 10.7 cm flux values at 100 on January 25-26, 95 on January 27-30, 100 on January 31 through February 1, 110 on February 2, 120 on February 3-4, 125 on February 5-8, 120 on February 9-14, 115 and 110 on February 15-16, and 105 on February 17-18.

It doesn't look like a return to solar flux values around 170 (where it was on January 9-12) is expected any time soon. But those high levels earlier in the month weren't predicted either.

Looking back, a flux reading of 135 was predicted for January 9 in the November 25 through December 9 daily forecasts, then downgraded to 110 on December 10-16, then increased to 115 on December 17-30, downgraded to 105 on December 31 through January 2, increased to 115 on January 3, 135 on January 4, 130 on January 5-6, 145 on January 7, and 150 on January 8. The final result? 169.3 on January 9, far above any predictions over the previous 45 days, which were revised eight times.

The forecasts are issued daily, usually after 2100 UTC and posted at http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/ftpmenu/forecasts/45DF.html.

The predicted planetary A index from the same January 24 forecast is 8, 15, 20 and 12 on January 25-28, 5 on January 29 through February 8, 8 on February 9-10, 5 on February 11-18 and 8 on February 19. The

January 25-28 levels are higher then predicted a day earlier, on January 23. In that earlier forecast, planetary A index for those same four days was 8, 8, 5 and 5.

F.K. Janda, OK1HH of the Czech Republic expects the geomagnetic field will be quiet to unsettled on January 25-26, quiet January 27-28, mostly quiet January 29, quiet on January 30-31, mostly quiet February 1-2, quiet on February 3, mostly quiet February 4, quiet on February 5-6, quiet to unsettled February 7-8, quiet to active February 9-10, mostly quiet February 11-12, quiet to active February 13-14, active to disturbed on February 15, and quiet to unsettled February 16.

Jeff Hartley, N8II of Shepherdstown, West Virginia wrote, "It has been a pretty boring winter for DX. I did work four VK3s in a row from 2225-2255Z including one mobile who was S6 and a QRP 5 W to 1/2 wave vertical who was S5 with QSB on 20M SSB long path Thursday (January 24), so that path was very good. 12 and 10 seemed dead at that time and only South America was heard on 15. No European signals were heard on 160 around then and again at 0050Z (nothing on 80 also at 0050Z). But, if the K stays low, the lower flux should help the CQWW 160 contest this weekend."

Unfortunately, the forecast for this weekend has some geomagnetic activity, with the planetary A index on February 25-27 at 8, 15 and 20.

The 160 meter contest Jeff referred to is the CW weekend of the CQ World Wide 160-Meter Contest. The contest page at http://www.cq160.com/) says it runs from 2200 GMT today (Friday, January 25) to 2200 GMT Sunday. By the way, 2200 GMT (Greenwich Mean Time) for our purposes is the same as 2200Z or 2200 UTC. On the West Coast, this is long before sunset, at 2:00 PM PST.

On January 19, Jeff wrote: "Friday morning January 18 I had a chance to operate and had some very strong signals on 10 phone from the UK with small stations mostly S7-9. Even 5 and 10 watt stations were good copy. This was starting about 1330Z and the EU opening ended after 1600Z. Countries worked in EU started with SP, DL, EI, G, GM then later PA, ON, F and the DLs were about the only ones left at 1610Z. Friday evening was noticeably better than all this past week, but did not get to the radio until 0040Z. At that time 15 was in good shape to JA with the loudest, JH1GEX S9. BW2AK was heard and 9V1YC who was about S3-4 was worked easily thru a pile up. 15 was still open to JA at 0115Z, normally by 24Z, 15 seems closed to everywhere. 17 was also quite good into JA around 0100-0130Z with JA9YYY S9 on SSB.

The HA DX contest started at 12Z Saturday with lots of EU and Russian activity. Russians are usually only easy to work very early in the day on 20 and about nil on 15 and higher. At 1315Z when I started thru 1430Z, Russians had good signals on 20 CW but there was

deep rapid QSB making copying dits and sometimes whole letters/numbers very difficult. I worked about three Ural mountain area UA9s and found UN2E about S3 plus quite a few from UA3, about four from UA4 and some loud ones near St Petersburg from UA1. The deep QSB was even a problem on signals as close as Germany as well as the Hungarians. YE1ZAT called in around 1545Z with a good signal. 15 was open pretty well to EU, but 10 was barely open at all to very southern EU, I heard T77BL working AA3B.

"In the afternoon, I briefly operated in the NAQP phone contest before heading off to work. At 1835-1900Z, 10M had a good number of loud signals with one VE6 hitting 30 dB over S9. Many UT stations were worked along with stations from CO, AZ, WA, ID, MT and NM; only W6TA and K6LA who was weak were worked in CA. 15 was wide open to TX and was a bit of a struggle to work west coast stations with Midwest stations beating me out consistently."

In a January 18 email titled "Outstanding 160M propagation Jan 11-12 in Ohio," Robert Elek, W3HKK of Johnstown, Ohio wrote: "Worked more Europeans than ever around their sunrise on Jan 11 and 12, plus KL7 and VP2 earlier in the night. Huge signals! Received my first 599 reports from Europe (two of them!) as well as two SWL cards from Russia for that activity. The rig: 100w to quarter wave 40 ft vertical inverted L with 22x65 ft radials.)

"I was excited for the weekend conditions but Jan 13-14-15 turned out to be stinko for DX. Amazing how things change on Top Band. Gotta get 'em while you can."

Thanks, Robert.

Don't miss "The Penticton Solar Flux Receiver," an article on pages 39-46 in the February 2013 issue of QST. This gives a great explanation about where the solar flux numbers in our bulletin originate. It answered questions I had about the process, such as how they handle readings that go off the scale during a space weather event.

If you would like to make a comment or have a tip for our readers, email the author at, k7ra@....

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service web page at http://arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals. For an explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin, see http://arrl.org/the-sun-the-earth-the-ionosphere. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at http://arrl.org/w1aw-bulletins-archive-propagation. Find more good information and tutorials on propagation at http://myplace.frontier.com/~k9la/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://arrl.org/propagation.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of ARRL bulletins are at http://arrl.org/bulletins.

Sunspot numbers for January 17 through 23 were 74, 56, 46, 48, 50, 53, and 68, with a mean of 56.4. 10.7 cm flux was 122.7, 115.2, 106.7, 106.6, 108.3, 110.3, and 104.9, with a mean of 110.7. Estimated planetary A indices were 13, 9, 7, 9, 4, 1, and 1, with a mean of 6.3. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 12, 7, 9, 8, 4, 1, and 1, with a mean of 6.
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20459. 425 DX News - #1134

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-25 17:40:50 UTC
From: r_brothers
Topic: 20459 Message: 20459

26 January 2013 A.R.I. DX Bulletin
No 1134
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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** DX INFORMATION ****
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Edited by I1JQJ & IK1ADH
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3D2 - Bob, W7YAQ and Bill, N7OU will be active as 3D2NB (W7YAQ) and 3D2OU (N7OU) from Nadi (OC-016), Fiji on 2-7 February, and as 3D2RX (W7YAQ) and 3D2RO (N7OU) from Rotuma (OC-060) on 8-21 February. They will operate mostly CW, with some RTTY and SSB, on 160-10 metres, using at both QTHs vertical antennas next to saltwater on a north-facing shore. During the ARRL CW DX Contest they will make a multi-single entry from Rotuma as 3D2RX. QSL via home calls. They will upload their logs to LoTW as soon as they get back to the USA. [TNX NG3K]
8P - The Buddies in the Caribbean DXpedition group, which specializes in 100 watt or less low power radios and the Buddipole portable antenna systems, will be active from Barbados (NA-021) from 29 January to 6 February. The eight operators will be 8P9FF (W3FF), 8P9HF (W6HFP), 8P9WZ (WZ1P), 8P9RT (WG0AT), 8P9VG (KC4VG), 8P9DG (KB9AVO), 8P9EA (K8EAB) and 8P9UN (N7UN). There will be fixed operations on 160-10m using CW, SSB, and RTTY or PSK from a villa, and portable operations from various points on the island. QSL via home calls and LoTW. [TNX N7UN]
9G - Marcel, AI6MS will be active as 9G5MS from Ghana until May. "Anyone is welcome to make a contact", he says, "though priority will be given to schools, universities, and prescheduled contacts". Marcel is volunteering with 'Medicine on the Move', and will use amateur radio with the students at the Aviation and Technology Academy in Kpong. QSL via home call.
CT9 - Dirk, DO7DP will be active as CS9/DO7DP from Madeira (AF-014) from 26 January to 9 February. He will operate SSB and PSK31 on 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 metres. QSL via DO7DP, bureau preferred. [TNX DX Newsletter]
FG - Jean-Pierre, F6ITD will be active again as FG/F6ITD from Guadeloupe (NA-102) in February and March. He will operate from Basse Terre on 1-8 February and from La Desirade on 9 February-25 March. QSL via home call and LoTW; logsearch on Club Log.
FK - Oku, JK1KSB will be active holiday style as FK/JK1KSB from New Caledonia from 29 January to 3 February. He will operate CW, RTTY and PSK31 on 80-10 metres. During the first days his operating time will be limited to 13-18.30 UTC. QSL via home call. [TNX

JK1KSB]
G - Members of the UK HQ team (GR2HQ) will be active as G100C (or, depending on the station location, GM100C, GW100C, GJ100C etc) during the weekends throughout 2013. This callsign is partly to provide essential pile-up training for the national team and partly to celebrate the 100th anniversary of RSGB. All QSOs will be uploaded to LoTW, e QSL and Clublog as quick as possible after each weekend. Traditional QSL cards via M0OXO (please use his OQRS at www.m0oxo.com). Further information will be available at www.gr2hq.com/g_100c.htm
PA - Special callsign PH00ZWAT will be used on 25-27 January from the former Radio Netherlands Worldwide's antenna park at Zeewolde Operations will start around 8 UTC on Friday and end at 13 UTC on Sunday. QSL bureau to PD2RKG.
PA - Fred, PA0FAW will be active as PF100ZOO on 1-28 February to celebrate the 100th anniversary of Burgers' Zoo in Arnhem. He will operate CW and SSB, with some digital modes. QSL via PA0FAW.
PY - Look for PY2CDR/m to operate SSB and digital modes on 40, 15 and 10 metres during the "first Brazilian Bicycle/Mobile DXpedition". The 490km ride will start on 28 January from Bertioga and end on 3 February in Rio de Janeiro. All QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau. Further information at http://grupocdr.com.br/dxp_en.htm [TNX PY2LCD]
VE - Rick, VE3ZUP will be active as VE3COLD during the Winter Field Day organized by the Society for the Preservation of Amateur Radio (www.spar-hams.org), from 17 UTC on 26 January through 17 UTC on the 27th. QSL via VE3ZUP.
VP8_sg - The RRS "James Clark Ross" is expected to arrive at King Edward Point, South Georgia on 26 January. "Due to the limited time that we will be at KEP", Mike VP8CMH (GM0HCQ) says, "I don't think I will be active as VP8SGK. Should that change I won't actually know until I am ashore. If I can operate it will most likely be CW and I will post some spots on the cluster". Bookmark www.gm0hcq.com.
YB - Look for Imam, YB4IR to be active as YB4IR/5 from Batam Island (OC-075) starting around 8 UTC on 25 January until the UTC midnight on the 28th. QSL via home call (OQRS on Clublog) and LoTW. [TNX DX World]
YI - Razi, YI1RZ is currently active as YI1RZ/2 from Bacuba until 4 February. He is running 10 watts only. QSL via IK2DUW.

CQ WW 160-METER CONTEST (CW) ---> Objective of the contest is for amateurs around the world to work as many US States, Canadian provinces and countries as possible on 160 metres CW (http://cq160.com/rules.htm). The following stations have announced their participation in this year's event (from 22.00 UTC on 25 January through 22.00 UTC on the 27th):

Call	Country	QSL via
3V8BB	Tunisia	LX1NO
CR2W	Azores	HB9CRV
CS2F	Portugal	UA2F

E71A Bosnia & Herz. E71A
E7DX Bosnia & Herz. E77E
EY8MM Tajikistan K1BV
HK1R Colombia K6IPM
HK1X Colombia EA7FTR
LX7I Luxembourg LX2A
NH0Z Mariana Isls JJ2VLY
OH0Z Aland Isls W0MM
OH8X Finland OH2UA
OL7M Czech Republic LotW
OZ1IKY Denmark LotW
PI4W Netherlands PA8F
RA0FF Russia (AS) LotW
T6MO Afghanistan K9GY
UN/RT9T Kazakhstan RT9T
UU7J Ukraine LotW
UZ2M Ukraine US0LW
VK3EGN Australia VK3EGN
XE1RCS Mexico XE1RCS
Z6/S56A Kosovo S56A
Do not forget to give a look at the Announced Operations listing maintained by Bill, NG3K at http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/cq160c2013.html

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** GOOD TO KNOW ... ****
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Edited by I1JQJ & IK1ADH
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CQ MAGAZINE ---> Editor Rich Moseson (W2VU) announced on 22 January that CQ DX Hall of Famer Wayne Mills (N7NG) has been named CQ magazine's DX Editor. A renowned DXer, DXpeditioner and contester, he succeeds Carl Smith (N4AA), who has stepped down after writing the magazine's DX column for 13 years. Wayne will begin writing the CQ DX column as of the magazine's April 2013 issue.

DXCC NEWS ---> 5V7TH (Togo, 2012 operation), S07EA (Western Sahara, 2006-2007 operstion), XWPA (Laos, 2010-2011 operation) and XW4XR (Laos, current operations) have been approved for DXCC credit.

QSL A92IO ---> Dave, A92IO is now preparing to leave Bahrain. Until 1 June, direct cards can be sent to Dave Court, P.O. Box 31183, Budaiya, Bahrain. After 1 June, direct cards must be sent to Dave Court, Connogue, River Lane, Shankill, Co. Dublin, Ireland. All bureau cards must be sent via EI3IO. "Do not expect a quick answer to QSLs in the period September to December 2013", Dave says, as "I will be moving house in September". A92IO uploads his logs to eQSL and LoTW.

QSL TF4M & TF4X ---> Phil, G3SWH has been appointed as QSL manager for Thor, TF4M's operations from September 2004 to the present. Thor has

recently joined RSGB which means that cards for TF4M and TF4X can now be sent and received via the RSGB bureau. Logsearch for both calls at www.g3swh.org.uk [TNX G3SWH]

+ SILENT KEY + Silvano Fabbri, C91A (IK4GRJ) lost his life on 20 January in a motocross accident near Maputo. He was 60 and for thirty years he had lived in Mozambique, where he had founded a prominent telecommunication company.

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
******* QSL ROUTES *******
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Edited by I1JQJ & IK1ADH
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CALL MANAGER CALL MANAGER CALL MANAGER
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3W3B E21EIC HC2SL HD2A OE2013V OE6WIG
3W7W W3HNK HF21WOSP SP9PDG OE2013W OE1W
3Z21WOSP SP5YOW HG2W HA2QW OE2013Y OE2IGP
4L1MA ON4RU HG7SNOW HA7PL OE2013Z EI7JZ
4L1UN EA7FTR HI8CSS EA5GL OG9W OH2BCI
4L6AM EA7FTR HK1MW K4AMW OH0TA OH2TA
5B4AJC UA3DX HK1R K6IPM OH0X OH2TA
5N4EAM IK2IQD HK1T EA5KB OJ1ABOA OH2FFP
5N7M OM3CGN HK1X EA7FTR P40YL AI6YL
5R8AL G3SWH HL0A 6K5YPD P49V AI6V
5R8UI IZ8CCW HP1/IZ6BRN IZ8CLM PH6SKCC PA3CLQ
5T0JL ON8RA HP1CQ EA7FTR PJ7TM K2GSJ
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7Z1TT NI5DX J76A N3ME SI9AM SM3CVM
9J2BO G3TEV J77A W3UR SN3WOSP SP3KET
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A61K EA7FTR KH2L W3HNK TR8CA F6CBC
A61LL EA5ZD KH6/KH0WF JH1AJT TY2BP IK2IQD
A65BR UA9AB KH7Y EA5GL TZ6BB W3HNK
A65CB DU1AZ KL7J N3SL UA0YAY IK2QPR
A65CF EA7FTR KP4BD NP3O UA2FL RN3RQ

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C6AJR W8GEX N4D WP4CRG V31RR AI4U
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CN8KD EA5XX NH7O EA5GL VK6AA DK2BJ
CO8TW HB9SVT NL8F K8NA VU2RBQ DJ9RB
CP4BT EA5KB NP4A W3HNK W7AVO/VK9L JA3AVO
CT8/CT3FN HB9CRV OD5PY KU9C W7PBL/VK9L JH3PBL
CX2DK EA5GL OD5RW K8NA WA2O/KH0 JF7ELG
D2QR RW6HS OE2013A OE8SKQ XE1RK EA5ZD
D3AA UA1QV OE2013B OE2RWL XR3Y XQ7UP
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EX7MW/7 UN8GC OE2013F OE7SPI XV4Y OK1DOT
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GB4FE M1EDF [CW] OE2013P OE8SPW Z320B Z31WW
GB6WLB G6XOU OE2013R OE9HGV Z320K Z33A
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20460. 425 DX Calendar - #1134

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
******* CALENDAR *******
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PERIOD CALL REF
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till 27/01 L22D: Isla Gama (SA-022) 1130
till 27/01 PH00ZWAT: special callsign 1134
till 28/01 SI9AM: King Chulalongkorn Memorial ARS 1133
till 28/01 YB4IR/5: Batam Island (OC-075) 1134
till 30/01 FY/F5UII: French Guiana 1131
till 31/01 9X0PY: Rwanda 1131
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till 07/02 RI1ANC: Vostok Station (Antarctica) 1127
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till 31/12 DL50FRANCE: special station 1131
till 31/12 EI13CLAN: special callsign 1130

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till 31/12 Gx100RSGB: special callsigns 1130
till 31/12 HB30OK: special callsign 1130
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till 31/12 S5300TP: special callsign 1130
till 31/12 Z320RSM and Z320A-Z320Z: special callsigns 1130
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26/01-02/02 ZF2TA: Cayman Islands (NA-016) 1133
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April ST2SF: Sudan 1131
May HR5/F2JD: Honduras 1131
May ZS8: Marion Island (AF-021) 1133
01/07-31/07 TC150RC: special callsign 1133

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20461. Report SIDC Ursigram

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:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30126
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 26 Jan 2013, 1253UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 26 Jan 2013 until 28 Jan 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >= 50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Active conditions expected (A>=20 or K=4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 26 Jan 2013 10CM FLUX: 099 / AP: 013
PREDICTIONS FOR 27 Jan 2013 10CM FLUX: 097 / AP: 017
PREDICTIONS FOR 28 Jan 2013 10CM FLUX: 099 / AP: 005
COMMENT: Catania sunspot groups 70 and 72 (NOAA ARs 1660 and 1661
respectively), as well as yet unnumbered sunspot group that emerged
close to the east limb yesterday evening, have a potential to produce a
C-class flare. Three flares stronger than B5 were produced in Catania
sunspot groups 70 and 72 during the last 24 hours. A C-class flare is
therefore possible. The Earth is currently inside a fast (around 500
km/s) solar wind flow with elevated (around 10 nT) interplanetary
magnetic field magnitude. Active geomagnetic conditions (K = 4) were
reported by NOAA and IZMIRAN, and unsettled conditions (K = 3) were
reported by Dourbes. More intervals of active geomagnetic conditions are
possible, especially after the arrival of the ICME-driven shock that is
expected late today - early tomorrow.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 042, BASED ON 07 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 25 Jan 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 101
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 020
AK WINGST : 006
ESTIMATED AP : 006
ESTIMATED ISN : 032, BASED ON 13 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
END
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20462. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-27 14:01:04 UTC
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# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30127
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 27 Jan 2013, 1246UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 27 Jan 2013 until 29 Jan 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Quiet conditions (<50% probability of C-class flares)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 27 Jan 2013 10CM FLUX: 097 / AP: 011
PREDICTIONS FOR 28 Jan 2013 10CM FLUX: 095 / AP: 004
PREDICTIONS FOR 29 Jan 2013 10CM FLUX: 093 / AP: 004
COMMENT: Despite the emergence of several small sunspot groups (yet
unreported by Catania or NOAA), the flaring activity of the Sun is below
the C-level. An isolated C-class flare is nevertheless possible,
although unlikely. The fast solar wind flow that yesterday produced K =
5 (as reported by Dourbes and IZMIRAN) and K = 4 (as reported by NOAA)
is finishing. Currently the solar wind speed around the Earth is close
to 450 km/s and the interplanetary magnetic field is around 3-4 nT. We
expect quiet geomagnetic conditions in the coming hours. The arrival of
the interplanetary shock wave driven by the ICME corresponding to the
partial halo CME observed on the Sun on January 23 is still possible,
although unlikely.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 049, BASED ON 02 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 26 Jan 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 099
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 038
AK WINGST : 025
ESTIMATED AP : 029
ESTIMATED ISN : 042, BASED ON 12 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
END
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20463. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1097

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 20th-January, through Sunday, 27th-January there were 220 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5U, 5V, 5W, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9V, 9X, 9Y, A2, A4, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C5, C6, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FH, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FS, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H40, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J6, J7, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JX, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KH9, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OJ0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ5, PJ7, PY, PY0F, PZ, R1FJ, S5, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T7, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TR, TT, TU, TY, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VP2E, VP2V, VP8, VP8/h, VP8/s, VP9, VR, VU, XE, XU, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z3, Z8, ZA, ZB, ZD7, ZD8, ZF, ZK3, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

5V, TOGO. Jackie, F8AEJ, will be active as 5V7JD from Lome between February 4th and March 15th. Activity will be holiday style (visiting his son), using a FT897D with a "AT-897 Plus Tuner" into a 6 band Conrad windom antenna (used at CN2CDJ; see QRZ.com). He informs OPDX that he will do

mostly digital modes. QSL via his home callsign, direct or eQSL. Log will be posted on ClubLog.

6V, SENEGAL. Vladimir "Vlad", RK4FF, will once again be active as 6V7S from Le Calao in Ngaparou at least four times during 2013. His schedule is as follows: February 11th-April 3rd, May 13th-May 30th, July 1-16th and October 22nd-November 27th. Activity will probably be on 80/40/20/15/10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via RK4FF.

C6, BAHAMAS. Look for operators Tom/N1GN and William/NE1B to be active as C6ANM from Nassau (NA-001, FL15) during the CQ 160 Meter SSB Contest (February 22-24th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via LoTW. They will also be active before and after the contest. Also, operators Tom/N1GN, William/NE1B, Mike/N1IW and Paul/K1VK will be active as C6ANM during the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 2-3rd) as a Multi-Multi entry. QSL via LoTW and look for operations on all bands and modes before contest.

CQ NEWS (Wayne Mills, N7NG, Named CQ DX Editor). Richard, W2VU, Editor of CQ Amateur Radio, reported on January 22nd: "Renowned DXer, DXpeditioner and contester Wayne Mills, N7NG, of Jackson, Wyoming, has been named CQ magazine's DX Editor, magazine Editor Rich Moseson, W2VU, announced today. Mills - a 1999 inductee into the CQ DX Hall of Fame - succeeds Carl Smith, N4AA, who has stepped down after writing the magazine's DX column for 13 years.
Licensed in 1953 at age 11, Wayne began DXing in 1956 and went on his first DXpedition in 1985. He was part of the ZA1A team that reintroduced amateur radio to Albania in 1991, and the inaugural operation from the newly-independent Republic of Kosovo in 2008. From 2000 to 2007, Wayne was manager of the ARRL's Membership Services Department and worked on developing the Logbook of the World electronic confirmation system. Wayne also set several contesting records over the years, but says he considers himself much more of a DXer than a contester.
'I am looking forward to working closely with Wayne,' said CQ Editor Rich Moseson, W2VU, 'and to sharing with our readers his depth of knowledge and first-hand experience with so many aspects of DXing. We at CQ also thank Carl for his many contributions to the magazine and to all of amateur radio over the past 13 years. We wish him all the best in the future.'
'Following in Carl's footsteps will be difficult,' noted Mills, 'but going forward as the new CQ DX column editor, I will attempt to discuss items of current interest such as DXpedition funding, pileup behavior and maybe the many aspects of remote control DXing.'
Mills will begin writing the CQ DX column as of the magazine's April 2013 issue."
ADDED NOTE FROM KB8NW: Your editor has known Carl Smith, N4AA, for many years. Carl has always amazed me with all the hard work he put in for the DX community (writing the "QRZ DX" bulletin, "The DX Magazine" and the DX column for CQ Magazine). Where does he find the time?? I guess he deserves this break. Thanks Carl for the many years as DX editor for CQ Magazine.

D4, CAPE VERDE. Mats, SM7GIB, will be active as D44TIB from Cape Verde (AF-086) between February 25th and March 8th. Activity will be holiday style using a wire vertical on 160-10 meters. QSL via his home callsign.

DX ACROSS AFRICA. In January 2013, Jon, TF3ZA, and a team of 15 adventurers will attempt to drive from Reykjavik, Iceland to Cape Town, South Africa on a heavy duty ex-military 4×4 Bedford MK truck. Their planned route through the African continent is approximately 20,000km, and they estimate it will take them 6 months to reach Cape Town. They will depart Reykjavik in early January 2013 and update their Web site with news of their DXpedition. The operation is to last for approximately six months from 20 DXCC entities in Africa. Jon is in the process of obtaining licenses to operate from the following DXCC entities: CN2ZA, 5T0ZA, 6W/TF3ZA, 3XY0ZA, TU2ZA (pending), 9G0ZA, 5V7ZA, TY0ZA (pending), TJ0ZA (pending), TR0ZA (pending), TN0ZA (pending), 9Q0ZA (pending), 9J0ZA, Z2/TF3ZA, A20ZA and ZS/TF3ZA. Activity will be active on 160-6 meters using CW and SSB. Suggested frequencies are:
CW - 1824, 3524, 7024, 10124, 18074, 21024, 24894 and 28024 kHz
SSB - 3780, 7080, 14180, 18140, 21280, 24940 and 28480 kHz
6m - 50094/CW and 50110/SSB
The preferred QSL method is via LoTW. All logs will be uploaded to LoTW as soon as possible. The usage of Logbook Of The World is strongly encouraged, it's free, easy to set up and the fastest way to confirm your QSOs. An alternative QSL method is via OQRS. The OQRS system will be embedded on the Web site AFTER the expedition in August 2013. Direct QSL cards is the 3rd option. Send your QSL card with a Self Addressed Envelope and sufficient return postage, 2 USD per 50gr. (IRC will NOT be accepted), to: Jón Ágúst Erlingsson, Álftamýri 14, 108 Reykjavík, Iceland. Bureau cards should be sent via TF3ZA. An online log search will be available on the Web page, as well as tracking the team and their complete route. The Web page is at: http://www.dxacrossafrica.com
There is also a Twitter page: http://twitter.com/DXAcrossAfrica

DXCC NEWS. Bill Moore, NC1L, ARRL Awards Branch Manager, is now accepting the following operations for DXCC credit:
5V7TH - Togo; 2012 operation
S07EA - Western Sahara; 2006-2007 operations
XW4XR - Laos; Current Operations
XWPA - Laos; 2010□2011 operations

"If you have had these operations rejected in a recent application, please send an E-mail <bmoore@...> to the ARRL DXCC Desk," Moore said. "Once updated, results will appear in Logbook of The World (LoTW) accounts, as well as online in the daily listings."

DXCC NEWS (2013 Pending Applications). Bill Moore, NC1L, ARRL Awards Branch Manager, reports: "Each year at this time DXCC is busy finishing up applications from the previous year. I have been getting questions from hams asking about applications that were sent for 2013.
Until DXCC completes applications for the 2012 calendar year, we cannot begin processing applications for 2013. Applicants can still submit their applications, but they need to be held pending completion of 2012.

Normally, completion of the previous year happens on or by March 1 so
please use this date as a guide as to when DXCC begins processing the
2013 applications.
Note: This applies to all Digital and LoTW applications as well as for
paper carde submissions.
Send questions to bmoore@...
73 es DX!"

EQ95, ESTONIA (Special Event/Contest). Toomas, ES5RY, will be active
with the special callsign ES95Q during the ARRL DX CW Contest (February
16-17th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL via ES5RY. Activity
will be from station ES6Q. The special callsign is to celebrate 95th
anniversary of Estonia.

FK, NEW CALEDONIA. Seiji "OKU", JK1KSB, will be active as FK/JK1KSB from
New Caledonia between January 29th and February 3rd. Activity will be
holiday style on 80-10 meters using CW , RTTY and PSK31. Oku will use
100 watts into a ATU and long wire. He may only operate between 1300-
1830z during January 29th and February 1st due to limitation of the
hotel. QSL via JK1KSB, by the address on QRZ.com.

GREAT READS ON THE WEB (A Dream Come True!). Read an interesting article
called "ZL9HR Campbell Island DXpedition 2012: A DXer□s Dream Come True!"
by Glenn, KE4KY, who was one of the ZL9HR operators at:
http://www.ke4ky.net/p/zl9hr-campbell-island-dxpedition-2012.html

HC, ECUADOR. YL Elena, RC5A, will be active as HC2/RC5A between February
5th and March 9th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters, including 30/17/12
meters, using CW and SSB. Operation will also include the ARRL DX CW
Contest (February 16-17th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry.
QSL via RC5A, direct or by the Bureau.

IOTA NEWS.............
EU-006. (OPDX.1096 QSL Correction) Members of the Westnet DX Group
will once again be active as EJ7NET from the Aran Islands
between May 10-15th. The QSL is via LoTW, or via Declan,
EI6FR via direct or by the Bureau.

EU-068. Members of the Charente DX Group will be active as TM0SI from
Sein Island (DIFM AT007, WLOTA 2721) between April 27th and
May 4th. Activity will be on all bands and modes. QSL via F5EOT,
direct or by the Bureau (sent in October). LoTW will be done
as soon as possible. Visit CDXG's Web page at:
http://www.cdxg.org

NA-171. Look for XF2E to be active from Venados Island between April
21-26th. QSL via IT9EJW. No other details available.

NA-180. Operators Enrique/XE2AA (V32EE), Hernan (V31HU) and Ismael
(V31MV) will be active from Twin Cayes between April 6-12th.
QSL via IT9EJW. No other details available.

SA-096. (Correction/Lets Try This Again) In OPDX.1095 and OPDX.1096, the Web pages for the LU6W DXpedition was listed wrong which could have an impact on donations. It should have been: http://lu6w.yolasite.com

JD1, OGASAWARA. Three JA operators will be active from Chichijima Island (AS-031) in the Ogasawara group between April 28th and May 5th. Callsigns to be used are JD1BLC (Operator Toshi/JP1IOF) and JD1YBT (World Wide Club station). Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and FM. QSL JD1BLC via JP1IOF direct or by the Bureau to JD1BLC. QSL JD1YBT via JP1IOF direct or by the Bureau to JD1YBT. LoTW will also be available.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (January 28th-February 3rd)....
Jan/28th AN-HN Jan/31st AN Feb/02nd AN
Jan/29th HN-AN Feb/01st AN Feb/03rd AN
Jan/30th AN

SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS/INDEXES AND GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE
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NORMALITY	GEOMAG	K Values	Alpha
AN - Above Normal	Quiet	K=0-1	0-7
HN - High Normal	Unsettled	K=2	8-15
LN - Low Normal	Active	K=3	16-29
BN - Below Normal	Minor Storm	K=4	30-49
DIS - Disturbed	Major Storm	K=5	50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed	Severe Storm	K=6-9	100-400

KP2, U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS. Yuriy, N2TTA, will be active as KP2MM during the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 16-17th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via LoTW. For more details, see: http://www.n2tta.info

KP2, U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS. Three JA operators will be active from the KP2M rental shack on St. Croix Island (NA-106) between April 3-9th. Operators mentioned are Yoshi (QSL K1HP/KP2 via JE2EHP), Taka (QSL KP2/JF1BVG via JF1BVG) and Toshi (QSL WH7P/KP2 via JP1IOF). Activity will be on all bands and all modes. Both Bureau and direct cards are accepted via JA home callsigns. LoTW and OQRS will also be available.

NH0, MARIANA ISLANDS (Update). By the time you read this, most members of the Tinian Radio Space Club who are active as NH0J will be heading home to Japan except for Joe/JA1LZR and Kit/JA1NVF. They will continue to be active as NH0Z and AH0J, respectively, from Tinian Island (OC-086, USI NI003S, WLOTA 3108) until Tuesday morning (Monday evening in USA). NH0Z (Joe) operates mostly CW and he loves 160/80/30/12/10 meters. AH0J (Kit) operates SSB on 75/40/20/17/15/12/10 meters. By the way, operators of the NH0J club station this past weekend were:
JJ2VLY (YL Miho (Joe's XYL, also WS2M): SSB and RTTY
JQ2GYU (Yutaka, also WS2Y): CW and SSB, focusing on "Outside JA"
JE1KUC (Takky, also N1KU): SSB
JF7ELG (Kowata, also WA2O): SSB, focusing on JA
JL1RXW (Hiro, also KH0XG): SSB
JA1RPK (Yuki, also AD7KA): CW and SSB

The QSL routes for the stations at the site are as follows:
NH0J via JJ2VLY, NH0Z via JJ2VLY and AH0J via JA1NVF

PACIFIC TOUR. Operators Bob/W7YAQ and Bill/N7OU will return to the South Pacific again and be active between February 2-21st. Their schedule is as follows:
February 2-7th - Their callsign will be 3D2NB (W7YAQ) and 3D2OU (N7OU) from Nadi, Viti Levu Island (OC-016, WLOTA 0055), Fiji
February 8-21st - Their callsign will be 3D2RX (W7YAQ) and 3D2RO (N7OU) from Rotuma (OC-060)
Activity will be 160-10 meters, mainly CW but with some SSB and RTTY. At both QTHs their vertical antennas will be next to saltwater on a north-facing shore. During the ARRL CW DX Contest they will make a Multi-Single entry from Rotuma as 3D2RX. QSL via their home callsigns. They will be uploading their logs to LOTW as soon as they get back to the USA.

PY2, BRAZIL (Mobile Event). Look for PY2CDR/M to be on the air during the first Brazilian Bicycle/Mobile DXpedition, "long distance, low power HF," according to the coordinator Billy Dorsch, PY2LCD. The ride starts on Monday, January 28th, in Sao Sabastiao, Sao Paulo State. The trip ends on Sunday, February 3rd, in Rio De Janeiro at the Copacabana Palace Hotel. The route goes right along the coast as the map on their Web site indicates. PY2CDR/M plans to be on 40, 15 and 10 meters SSB and on the Digital modes during the 490 kilometer (304 bikes) bike ride.
Suggested frequencies are:
SSB - 7083, 21225 and 28430 kHz
PSK31 - To be determine (Digital modes will only take place when camped)
There may be live position shown on their Web site at:
http://grupocdr.com.br/dxp_en.htm
There is also a Facebook page to follow the ride along with photos which will be updated along the adventure. Visit the following at:
https://www.facebook.com/%2Fgroups%2F314408675344553%2F
All QSOs will be confirmed with a QSL via the Bureau. Please listen for PY2CDR/M and make a QSO. Please also SPOT the bike expedition on the DX Cluster.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated January 27th)

5W0W via NR6M EG2UBA via EA-Bureau OE2013HTG via OE6HTG
7X5KBS via EA7FTR EX7MW/7 via UN8GC OE2013JHW via OE4JHW
AH0J via JA1NVF FM1II via NI5DX (d) OE2013MDF via OE6MFD
AX5PAS via M0OXO G100C via M0OXO OE2013PGQ via OE8PGQ
C4N via W3HNK GB2OL via GM0WED (d) OE2013SFG via OE6SFG
C6A/AA4NN via AA4NN GD100RSGB via M0VFC OE2013SNL via OE2SNL
CM2CCA via EA7TV HB0/DJ1AA via DJ1AA OJ0H/MM via OH2BH
CT7/OH2OT via OH2OT HB0/DK3RED/P via DK3RED PJ2/W9NJY via WD9DZV
CT8/CT3FN via HB9CRV HF5IPA via SQ9ITA SN4W via SP4ICP
CT8/DJ7JC via DJ7JC HI0UD via HI0UD SV8/SV2MAC via SV2MAC
CT8/HB9CQL via HB9CQL II3CV via IK3HHX TC16BURSA via YM3KM
CT9/SP7DPJ via SP7DPJ KH0/JN3MXT via JN3MXT VP2V/K2WH via K2WH
CW90A via CX2ABC KH6/VE7AHA via VE7AHA W7SW via W3HNK

DA0EIM via DL1AKP (B) OE2013CAL via OE2CAL WA2O/KH0 via JF7ELG
DA7A via DO7AG OE2013D via OE1ZKC YW2LV via YV5YMA
EA8/PA3LEO via PA3LEO OE2013GBK via OE8GBK ZK3T via DJ2EH

(d) direct only (B) Bureau only (L) LoTW only

IRCs (U.S.) DISCONTINUED! According to the "IMM Revision: Changes to Pricing and Mailing Standards for International Mailing Services" - Under "Changes to International Extra Services": "International Reply Coupons: The Postal Regulatory Commission (PRC), in its PRC Order No. 1541, approved the Postal Service's proposal to discontinue outbound international reply coupons effective January 27, 2013; however, the Postal Service will continue to exchange (redeem) international reply coupons purchased in foreign countries and presented at U.S. Post Office☐ facilities." Also, check under "381.1 International Reply Coupons (Description). For more, see: http://about.usps.com/postal-bulletin/2012/pb22352/html/updt_005.htm

NEW QSL ROUTE (TF4M and TF4X). Phil, G3SWH, has been appointed as QSL Manager for Thor's, TF4M, operations from September 2004 to the present. Thor has recently joined RSGB which means that cards for TF4M and TF4X can now be sent and received via the RSGB Bureau. There are log searches for both callsigns at: http://www.g3swh.org.uk/tf4m.html http://www.g3swh.org.uk/tf4x.html

QSL OH8X via OH2UA. Radio Arcala featured an international team during the CQWW 160m Contest this past weekend. Operators were Olof/G0CKD, Michael/G7VJR, Olli/OH0XX, Toni/OH2UA and Veijo/OH6KN, while Juha/OH8NC and Martti/OH2BH were bang the drums.

QSL N3A (Special Event Station) via LoTW, eQSL and direct to NW3DC (W3DQ). Check the NW3DC/N3A web page for more details. Activity was to celebrate the President's second inauguration.

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 3D2C, 3D2VB, 3V8BB, 4O3A, 6W7SK, C6ANM, CM5FZ, CT1JOP, CT3DZ, CT8/EA5KA, E77DX, EA1DR, EA1PO, EA3BOX, F8ARK, FM/KL7WA, FM/RC0F, FO/AD4LN, FS/K9EL, HF8N, HI3TEJ, HP1/IZ6BRN, J68UN, J8/W6HGF, KH7T, KL7RA, NH8S, OH6OS, OZ1ADL, P40L, PA1CC, PD7BZ, PJ4X, PJ5J, RA3DNC, RA3UT, RI1FJ, S57IIO, SA5K, SM5F, SN3R, SQ2IHP, TI2HAS, US2FX, UY0ZG, V44KAI, VE5KS, VP8KF, VQ9LA, WP2XX, YJ0VB, YU6AO, ZK1/AC4LN and ZK2VB

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 1A0C, 2O12L, 2O12W, 3D2C, 4S7NE, 5N7M, 5W0RK, 7P8D, 9Y4/DL7VOG, EA9UG, EK7DX, HB0/HB9LCW, HI3/KL7JR, JD1BLY, NH8S, OJ0R, PJ5J, PJ7XK, TI4CF, VE2OCH, VP2MDG, VR2XMT, VP9/WW3S, W4TTO, XQ1KZ, Z21HS, Z81D, ZD7VC and ZL2IFB

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 4U1WRC, 5B/HB9AII, 5B/HB9DGV, 6Y5/K1XM, 6Y9X, 9M6LSC, CO7WT, CR2V, CS2W, CT8/CT3FN, CU2CE, CU8/CT3FN, D2QV, DH1BBO, EL2DX, EM20LTD, EN2012UEFA, EO2012WZA, ES2012ABCS, FM1FV, FP/W8TOM, HB100FLP, HB0WR, HK3Q, JY4NE, KL8DX, OD5TE, P40L, P4/W1HEO, PJ2/K2PLF, PJ2/W5ZPA, PJ4/K4BAI, PJ4/AD8J, PJ5/K1XM, TF2LC, TF3IRA, TF3RF, TF4M, TF8GX, TF8SM, TI5/K4VAC, UT1FG/MM, V25OP, V25WY, V5/DJ2HD,

V73QQ, V8AQM, VE3XL, VP2MLP, VP2MVX, VP5/NF9V, VP5/W9RN, VP9/AA1AC, YB0JS, YI9PSE, YN2AA, ZF1A, ZF2GG, ZL1BYZ, ZL7AA and ZS6C

TZ, MALI. Fernando, EA4BB (ex-Z21BB), is now active as TZ6BB from Bamako. The length of his stay is not known. Most of his activity has been on 40/20/15/12/10 meters CW. QSL via W3HNK.

XT, BURKINA FASO (Update/Dates). Members of the "Italian DXpedition Team" will be active as XT1T from Ouagadougou (Grid Loc. IK92fi), Burkina Faso, between February 21st and March 6th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. Suggested frequencies are:
CW - 1826.5, 3515, 7015, 10115, 14025, 18070, 21025, 24891 and 28025 kHz
SSB - 3760, 7145, 14220, 18145, 21295, 24945 and 28475 kHz
RTTY - 14081 kHz
6m - 50105/CW and 50125/SSB
Equipment will be 4x Elecraft K3 transceivers with 3x KPA500 amps and 1x ACOM 1000 amp into 2x Spiderbeams, 1x Yagi (20/17/15/12/10m), 1x vertical (80/40m), 1x vertical (30m), longwire (160m), 1x Cubical Quad (6m), 1x Diamond Loop RX (low bands) and 1x DHDL RX (low bands) antennas. Operators mentioned are Alfeo/I1HJT, Silvano/I2YSB, Vinicio/IK2CIO, Angelo/IK2CKR, Marcello/IK2DIA, Stefano/IK2HKT, Gino/IK2RZP and Mac/JA3USA. The pilot station is IK7JWY, and the pilot station for the 6m band is IK0FTA. Software Management (real-time log online) will be by IH9GPI. QSL I2YSB for direct QSLs and IK2CIO for Bureau QSLs (no E-mail request please). A OQRS will be available for direct cards only. Now available on their Web page is a survey for both bands and modes needs. The official Web site is: http://www.i2ysb.com/idt
Official forum is: http://www.hamradioweb.org

Z8, SOUTH SUDAN. Massimo, IZ0EGB (ex-9L1MS, EL2GB), is now living in the South Sudan and hopes to be on the air as Z81B soon. QSL via IZ0EGB.

ZF, CAYMAN ISLANDS (NA-016). John, K6AM, will be active as ZF2AM during the CQ 160 Meter SSB Contest (February 22-24th) as a Single-Op/High-Power entry. QSL via K6AM, direct or by the Bureau or LoTW.

ZD8, ASCENSION ISLAND. As of January 24th, Steve, G3ZVW, is once again active as ZD8N from Georgetown until February 5th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via his home callsign, by the Bureau or direct.

ZK3, TOKELAU. Dieter "Dick", DJ2EH (ex-ZD9T), is now active as ZK3T until February 20th. The DX.World.net" reports that "recent info received from the ZK3N team now confirms that ZK3T is indeed Dieter, DJ2EH", so the info on ZK3T on QRZ.com is old. Activity has been on 30/17/15 meters CW, but he is expected to focus on the low bands later. QSL via DJ2EH.

ZL, NEW ZEALAND. Members of the Quake Contesters Group will be active as ZL3X during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 30-31st) as a Multi-2/High-Power entry. QSL via ZL3PAH or LoTW. Operators mentioned are Mark/ZL3AB, Don/ZL3DMC, Byron/ZL3DXT, Geoff/ZL3GA, Chris/ZL3LF and Phil/ZL3PAH.

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Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@...?subject=unsubscribe>
OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):
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20464. HD-73 vs. Ham-M

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-28 01:23:25 UTC
From: John G.
Topic: 20464 Message: 20464

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-28 02:31:53 UTC
From: GARY HUBER
Topic: 20464 Message: 20465

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73 ES DX,
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20466. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-28 14:01:03 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 20466

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:Issued: 2013 Jan 28 1239 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30128
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 28 Jan 2013, 1228UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 28 Jan 2013 until 30 Jan 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Quiet conditions (<50% probability of C-class flares)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 28 Jan 2013 10CM FLUX: 099 / AP: 002
PREDICTIONS FOR 29 Jan 2013 10CM FLUX: 100 / AP: 003
PREDICTIONS FOR 30 Jan 2013 10CM FLUX: 100 / AP: 003
COMMENT: Flaring activity is quiet. Some C-level activity is detected
on the east limb. The magnetic field imbedded in the solar wind near the
Earth is below 4 nT. The solar wind speed is around 400 km/s. The
geomagnetic conditions are quiet. We expect them to stay quiet.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 036, BASED ON 09 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 27 Jan 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 098
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 008
AK WINGST : 010
ESTIMATED AP : 008
ESTIMATED ISN : 050, BASED ON 07 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
END
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20467. Re: [DX-IS] HD-73 vs. Ham-M

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-28 14:06:05 UTC
From: John G.
Topic: 20464 Message: 20467

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-28 14:23:05 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 20464 Message: 20468

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> probably more rugged and has more parts support.
> 73 John AF5CC
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Hi John,

For what it's worth, almost all of the guys I know use HAM IVs.
They have them cranking away for years and they are fairly easy to fix.
Everyone who has any experience with rotators knows how to repair them
and there are spare parts readily available from a number of places.

I plan on going with HAM IV when my current Yaesus go. I use Yaesu
G-800SA rotators and while they work well, they are literally throw-away
when they break. I have them because they are cheap, and I got them on
sale some years ago. I also find they don't like the cold . . . thend
to be sluggish and not want to turn if it gets much below 20°F. They
always turn eventually, but it's like trying to start a car on a cold
day! Go with CDE rotators.

73, Paul VE1DX

20469. Re: [DX-IS] HD-73 vs. Ham-M

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-28 15:50:51 UTC
From: Richard Williams
Topic: 20464 Message: 20469

John,

Given a choice, I would not even consider buying any rotor other than a Ham M or M2 one. I have about six Ham Ms, some dating back to the 80s. Parts are easy to obtain, reasonably priced, and working on one is a "piece of cake". Even individuals (assuming they are right handed) with "two left hands" can fix one! That said, I have had very few issues with mine, and the far majority of problems were "self induced" (too large of antenna for the rotor - Tailtwister fixed one problem, and a M2 R2800 fixed the other).

As for Yaesu rotors, I have a very sour taste in my mouth; several years ago I purchased their rotors for my satellite system. When one of them broke, I found out they changed to a "new model" and parts were no longer available! Contrast that with Ham Ms.

Dick K8ZTT

From: Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, January 28, 2013 7:23 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] HD-73 vs. Ham-M

On 1/28/2013 10:06 AM, John G. wrote:
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> Hi Gary,
> THanks for the feedback. Others also indicate that the Ham-M is
> probably more rugged and has more parts support.
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Hi John,

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I plan on going with HAM IV when my current Yaesus go. I use Yaesu
G-800SA rotators and while they work well, they are literally throw-away
when they break. I have them because they are cheap, and I got them on
sale some years ago. I also find they don't like the cold . . . thend
to be sluggish and not want to turn if it gets much below 20°F. They
always turn eventually, but it's like trying to start a car on a cold
day! Go with CDE rotators.

73, Paul VE1DX

20470. Re: [DX-IS] HD-73 vs. Ham-M

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-28 20:01:05 UTC
From: John
Topic: 20464 Message: 20470

Thanks for all of the replies so far. It appears that the Ham type rotors
are better than both the Alliance or the Yaesus. The Ham-M I am looking at
also comes with the controller cable, so that is one less thing to have to
pick up.

John AF5CC

On Mon, Jan 28, 2013 at 9:50 AM, Richard Williams <k8ztt@...> wrote:

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> Ham M or M2 one. I have about six Ham Ms, some dating back to the 80s.
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> 73, Paul VE1DX
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20471. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-29 14:01:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 20471

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:Issued: 2013 Jan 29 1243 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30129
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 29 Jan 2013, 1234UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 29 Jan 2013 until 31 Jan 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Quiet conditions (<50% probability of C-class flares)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 29 Jan 2013 10CM FLUX: 099 / AP: 002
PREDICTIONS FOR 30 Jan 2013 10CM FLUX: 100 / AP: 003
PREDICTIONS FOR 31 Jan 2013 10CM FLUX: 100 / AP: 003
COMMENT: The flaring activity is low. The back-ground X-ray radiation
is at the bottom of the B-level. Geomagnetic conditions are quiet. The
solar wind is slow (around 400 km/s), with an imbedded magnetic field
that is not strong (< 4nT).

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 038, BASED ON 04 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 28 Jan 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 098
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 010
AK WINGST : 006
ESTIMATED AP : 005
ESTIMATED ISN : 042, BASED ON 12 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
END
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20472. More LOTW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-29 17:22:54 UTC
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy (K5MWH)
Topic: 20472 Message: 20472

Greetings All:

On Jan 20, I submitted an application and paid my fees. As of today that submission is still not showing up as having been processed by the DXCC Desk. What is the usual time for this to be completed.

73,
Mike, W5UC

20473. Re: More LOTW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-29 17:53:09 UTC
From: Jim Sherwood
Topic: 20472 Message: 20473

On 1/29/2013 11:22 AM, Mike(W5UC) & Kathy (K5MWH) wrote:
> Greetings All:
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> that submission is still not showing up as having been processed by the
> DXCC Desk. What is the usual time for this to be completed.
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> 73,
> Mike, W5UC

I made a submission on 2 Jan and I am still waiting. Sent an email to
and got an answer that it would be March 1st before it well be processed.
They are doing all the 2012 first. So they are way behind. Guess the new
hardware did not fix that side of lotw.
Since I made my submission I have received a few more via lotw, but
can not
edit my submission and add the new ones..

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Jim Sherwood, N4UOZ
n4uoz@...

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Jim Sherwood, N4UOZ
n4uoz@...

20474. Re: [DX-IS] More LOTW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-29 17:58:29 UTC
From: Peg Haese KB9LIE
Topic: 20472 Message: 20474

Mike, they may be finishing up the 2012 work before starting on 2013, happens every year at this time.

73 de Peg KB9LIE

--- On Tue, 1/29/13, Mike(W5UC) & Kathy (K5MWH) <w5uc@...> wrote:

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20475. Re: More LOTW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-29 18:43:33 UTC
From: Nico van der Bijl
Topic: 20472 Message: 20475

ARRL is first terminating all applications received before dec. 31, 2012 as
they mention in their publications and newsletter.
So everything from 2013 is temporarily put on hold.
73
Nico

20476. (no subject)

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-29 21:58:50 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 20476 Message: 20476

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Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

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CARIBBEAN/ATLANTIC TOUR (Press Release From OH2BH). Martti, OH2BH, sent out the following [edited]: "Press Release - January 30, 2013, Montego Bay, Jamaica --- M/S KRISTINA KATARINA

NORTHERN FOLKS AT IT AGAIN FROM THE CARIBBEAN TO THE ATLANTIC, OJ0H/MM

With the severe winter in Northern Europe, OHs are heading South as is their lifestyle of four deep seasons. Cruising in as many as nine countries in the Caribbean, they will end up meeting hams in many of their stopovers such as 6Y, P4, PJ4, YV7, J49, FM, V2 and HI.
They will be active on board their 450ft cruise ship m/s Kristina Katarina. Typically you will find them on 14.267 kHz. They will also be on CW at sea.
http://www.kristinacruises.com/en/cruises/ms-kristina-katarina

OJ0H/MM CREW: Hilkka/OH1DV (YL), Markku/OH1MV, Pekka/OH1TV, Rami/ OH2BCI, Leena/OH2BE (YL), Martti/OH2BH, Osmo/OH2KH, Heikki/OH4NS, Seppo/OH6TJ and Osmo/OH8KN.

CRUISING SCHEDULE:
January 31st - (THU) Montego Bay, Jamaica
February 1st - (FRI) at sea
February 2nd - (SAT) Oranjestad, Aruba and P43A & P49V
February 3rd - (SUN) Kralendijk, Bonaire and PJ4LS
February 4th - (MON) El Guamache, Isla Margarita, Venezuela
February 5th - (TUE) St. George's, Grenada and J39AH
February 6th - (WED) Fort-de-France, Martinique
February 7th - (THU) St. John's, Antigua, on the ruins of V26B
February 8th - (FRI) at sea
February 9th - (SAT) Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic

Following the Caribbean stint, the party will continue to Azores Islands with an additional Finnish and Estonian assemblage titled "The Atlantic and I" with participation in the ARRL CW and SSB Contests from their Atlantic outpost at CR2X and CQ8X.
QSL OJ0H/MM and CR2X & CQ8X via OH2BH."

CQ NEWS (International News Column to Debut in April). Richard, W2VU, Editor of CQ Amateur Radio, sent out the following [edited]:
"FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: January 29, 2013

CQ Adds International News Column, Names AA6TS International Editor

(Hicksville, NY January 29, 2013) ☐ CQ magazine will be adding a monthly international news column as of its April edition, magazine editor Rich Moseson, W2VU, announced today. It will be coordinated by new International Editor Tom Smerk, AA6TS.
'A growing number of our readers and our fans on social media are from outside the United States,' noted Moseson, 'particularly with the addition of our digital edition, which eliminates the high cost of international postage.'
'We'll be calling the column 'CQ World Wide,' ' Moseson continued, and our goals will be to both better serve our international audience and to bring more news of ham radio activities around the world to our prime reader base in the U.S.'
Smerk lives in Dulzura, California and has been active in ham radio off-and-on since 1988. For the past 25 years, he has taught business information technology for the San Diego Community College District. He is also a professional musician and formerly taught music as well. Tom enjoys 2-meter communications to keep in touch with friends during his commute to and from work; and after work, he can usually be found on the HF bands enjoying both voice and digital communications. Tom has written on various topics including business management, music and ham radio. He is active in ARES®, SKYWARN®, RACES, California Disaster Corps and CERT, and is a volunteer examiner as well. A committed lifelong learner, Tom's greatest joy is helping new hams enjoy the hobby.
Hams with news of events and activities outside the United States are urged to contact Tom at <aa6ts@...>."

D4, CAPE VERDE (Correction/Update). Mats, SM7GIB, will be active as D44TIB from Cape Verde (AF-086) until February 7th (not between February 25th and March 8th). Activity will be holiday style using a K3 into a wire vertical for 160-10 meters. Look for him to be on the radio in the early mornings and evenings - on CW. QSL via his home callsign.

TRIATHLON THIS WEEKEND (Also See OPDX.1095). Just a reminder that the "1st Triathlon DX Contest" will be held this weekend. A triathlon is a multi sport event involving the completion of three continuous and sequential endurance events. The word "triathlon" is of Greek origin from t?e?? or trei (three) and a???? or athlos (contest). While many variations of the sport exist, triathlon, in its ham form, involves the three most popular modes RTTY, SSB and CW.
Triathletes compete for the biggest score in its Radio Amateur variation.

Amateurs around the world will try to be the Ironham (the winner in
original Triathlon called Ironman) and contact other amateurs in as
many countries as possible and as many Greeks amateurs as possible...
Visit Triathlon DX Contest page at: http://www.triathlon-dx-contest.gr "

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** IMPORTANT NOTICE/REMINDER ** The Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin now has a new
FAX number. Contributors can now send/fax their DX information to the
following number: 1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)
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SPECIAL NOTE BY EDITOR: If you are having a problem receiving bounced
mail by sending mail to me via " kb8nw@... ", please send
mail to me via " kb8nw@... "...... TNX de Tedd KB8NW
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PLEASE NOTICE (as of February 12th), NEW ADDRESS CHANGES FOR THE
OPDX INTERNET HELP/SUBSCRIBE/UNSUBSCRIBE REQUESTS:
Help: <mailto:opdx-request@...?subject=help>
Subscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@...?subject=subscribe>
Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@...?subject=unsubscribe>
OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):
http://www.papays.com/opdx.html
ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB PAGES AT:
http://www.nodxa.org
http://www.facebook.com/NorthernOhioDxAssociation

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via InterNet Mail to: kb8nw@... - OR - kb8nw@...
Information can now be faxed to the following "NEW" phone line at:
1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)

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Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW - kb8nw@... --or-- kb8nw@...
Editor of the "Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin" (OPDX - "DXer's Tool of Excellence")
President of the "Northern Ohio DX Association" (NODXA)
DX Chairman for the "Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society
ARRL Assistant Director of the Great Lakes Division
Sysop of the "Basic Amateur Radio Frequency BBS" (BARF80.ORG)

20477. lotw submisssion

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-30 03:32:53 UTC
From: Dale H. Cole K8TS
Topic: 20477 Message: 20477

I do realize that processing of DXCC will be done for 2012 before 2013 begins, but I uploaded an application on Jan 21 and it does not show in the que. Am I missing something? The endorsements show in iticiaz, and I also sent some cards which may not be there yet. Any clues?

Dale K8TS

20478. RE: [DX-IS] lotw submisssion

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-30 09:33:43 UTC
From: Rick Kiessig
Topic: 20477 Message: 20478

I submitted my DXCC application via the LoTW site on 18 Dec 2012, and the certificate arrived in the mail today, 30 Jan 2013 – so, about 6 weeks for processing, including overseas airmail.

The things I noticed on the LoTW site after making the application were a confirmation of the transaction in the “Your Messages” section and in the Application History section, and that the purchased calls moved from the “Selected” to “Awarded” column on the DXCC Account page.

73, Rick ZL2HAM

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Dale H. Cole K8TS
Sent: Wednesday, January 30, 2013 4:33 PM
To: DX-IS
Subject: [DX-IS] lotw submisssion

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20479. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-30 14:01:04 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 20479

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:Issued: 2013 Jan 30 1212 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30130
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 30 Jan 2013, 1046UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 30 Jan 2013 until 01 Feb 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Quiet conditions (<50% probability of C-class flares)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 30 Jan 2013 10CM FLUX: 095 / AP: 003
PREDICTIONS FOR 31 Jan 2013 10CM FLUX: 095 / AP: 003
PREDICTIONS FOR 01 Feb 2013 10CM FLUX: 095 / AP: 003
COMMENT: Magnetograms show emerging magnetic flux next to NOAA AR 1644.
The overall X-ray radiation is however low. A small equatorial coronal
hole is now located near the central meridian. Last rotation, it did not
cause any geomagnetic disturbance. An all-quiet alert is issued.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 036, BASED ON 11 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 29 Jan 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 095
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 004
AK WINGST : 002
ESTIMATED AP : 001
ESTIMATED ISN : 040, BASED ON 13 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
END
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20480. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-31 14:01:04 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 20480

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:Issued: 2013 Jan 31 1238 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30131
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 31 Jan 2013, 1234UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 31 Jan 2013 until 02 Feb 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Quiet conditions (<50% probability of C-class flares)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 31 Jan 2013 10CM FLUX: 097 / AP: 003
PREDICTIONS FOR 01 Feb 2013 10CM FLUX: 096 / AP: 003
PREDICTIONS FOR 02 Feb 2013 10CM FLUX: 096 / AP: 003
COMMENT: The all-quiet alert still holds. Catania sunspot group 75/NOAA
AR 1663 showed minor flaring activity in the B-level. The solar wind
passing the Earth is smooth, not causing any turbulence at all.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 034, BASED ON 10 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 30 Jan 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 059
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 097
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 004
AK WINGST : 001
ESTIMATED AP : 001
ESTIMATED ISN : 036, BASED ON 17 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
END
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20481. SPOT FILTERING

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-01 00:29:35 UTC
From: ve1al@...
Topic: 20481 Message: 20481

Can anyone tall me how to delete spots from W3LPL and his offspring? I find that 95 out of 100 W3LPL spots are useless to me and I don't want them. I also need to know what numbers to put in to delete all spots above 30 MHz to infinity.

Thanks in advance.

73

Al, VE1AL

20482. Re: [DX-IS] SPOT FILTERING

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-01 00:50:00 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 20481 Message: 20482

On 1/31/2013 8:29 PM, ve1al@... wrote:
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> want them. I also need to know what numbers to put in to delete all
> spots above 30 MHz to infinity.
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> Thanks in advance.
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> 73
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> Al, VE1AL
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>

You need to supply more information, specifically what client software you are using and what software is running on the DX Cluster node you are logged into. Every one has potentially different filtering options.

It would also be helpful if you expanded on the "and his offspring" comment. Do you mean his biological children or something else?

If you are using something other than CC User (a/k/a AR User) or DX Labs SpotCollector as the client on your end, I can't help, but given the ~300 users here, likely someone else can. If the DX Cluster node you log into is using software other than CC Cluster, likewise I can't help you, but no doubt others here can. We need specifics because there are numerous combinations, unlike the old days when everyone used pretty much the same thing.

73, Paul VE1DX

20483. ARLD005 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-01-31 23:31:14 UTC
From: jjreisert@...
Topic: 447 Message: 20483

SB DX @ ARL $ARLD005
ARLD005 DX news

ZCZC AE05
QST de W1AW
DX Bulletin 5 ARLD005
>From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT January 31, 2013
To all radio amateurs

SB DX ARL ARLD005
ARLD005 DX news

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by NC1L, The Weekly DX, the OPDX Bulletin, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, DXNL, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

FIJI, 3D2. Bob, W7YAQ and Bill, N7OU will be QRV as 3D2NB and 3D2OU, respectively, from Nadi, IOTA OC-016, from February 2 to 7. Activity will be on 160 to 10 meters using mainly CW with some SSB and RTTY. QSL to home calls.

TOGO, 5V. Jackie, F8AEJ will be QRV as 5V7JD from Lome from February 4 to March 15. Activity will be holiday style on the HF bands using mostly digital modes. QSL to home call.

MALDIVES, 8Q. Andrew, G7COD plans to be QRV as 8Q7AK from Kaafu Atoll, IOTA AS-013, for three weeks in February while on holiday. Activity will be holiday style on the HF bands generally during 0730 to 1100z, 1300 to 1500z and then 1730 to 1800z. QSL to home call.

AZORES, CT3. Hermann, CT3FN will be QRV as CR2V in the Mexico International RTTY Contest as a Single Op entry. QSL via HB9CRV.

CAPE VERDE, D4. Mats, SM7GIB is QRV as D44TIB until February 6. Activity is holiday style on 160 to 10 meters. QSL to home call.

GUADELOUPE, FG. Jean-Pierre, F6ITD will be QRV as FG/F6ITD from February 1 to 25. Activity will be on the HF bands using SSB and digital modes. QSL to home call.

NEW CALEDONIA, FK. Oku, JK1KSB is QRV as FK/JK1KSB until February 3. Activity is holiday style on 80 to 10 meters using CW, RTTY and PSK31. QSL to home call.

ECUADOR, HC. Elena, RC5A will be QRV as HC2/RC5A from February 5 to March 9. Activity will be on 160 to 6 meters using CW and SSB.

This includes being a Single Op/All Band/Low Power entry in the upcoming ARRL DX CW contest. QSL to home call.

ANTARCTICA. Nick, RW6ACM will be QRV as RI1ANP from the Russian Antarctic Base Progress from February 1 until the end of 2013. QSL via RN1ON.

SEYCHELLES, S7. Bert, CX3AN will be QRV as S79AN from Mahe Island, IOTA AF-024, from February 4 to 11. Activity will be on 80 to 6 meters using mainly CW and SSB. QSL via EB7DX.

SUDAN, ST. Sam, K0YAK is QRV as ST2SF until the mid of April. Activity is on 40 to 10 meters using CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL to home call.

TURKEY, TA. TC Special Wireless Activity Team members are QRV as TC1BW during February in remembrance of Asil Feri, TA1BW. QSL via bureau.

MALI, TX. Fernando, EA4BB is QRV as TZ6BB from Bamako. His length of stay is unknown. He is active on 40 to 10 meters. QSL direct via W3HNK.

SOUTH SUDAN, Z8. Massimo, IZ0EGB will soon be QRV as Z81B. QSL to home call.

ASCENSION ISLAND, ZD8. Steve, G3ZVW is QRV as ZD8N until February 5. Activity is on 80 to 10 meters using CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL to home call.

CAYMAN ISLANDS, ZF. Bruce, K0BJ is QRV as ZF2BJ until February 2. Activity is holiday style on the HF bands. QSL to home call.

TOKELAU, ZK3. Dieter, DJ2EH is now QRV as ZK3T and will be here until February 20. QSL to home call.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. North American CW Sprint, 10-10 International Winter SSB Contest, QRP CW Fox Hunt, Mexico RTTY International Contest, NCCC Sprint CW Ladder, Vermont QSO Party, Triathlon DX Contest, EPC World Wide DX BPSK63 Contest, Black Sea Cup International, FYBO Winter QRP Sprint, Minnesota QSO Party, AGCW Straight Key CW Party, British Columbia QSO Party and the Delaware QSO Party will certainly keep contesters busy this upcoming weekend.

The RSGB 80-Meter Club SSB Championship is scheduled for February 4. The ARS Spartan CW Sprint is scheduled for February 5. The QRP CW Fox Hunt is scheduled for February 6. Please see February QST, page 90, and the ARRL and WA7BNM Contest websites for details.
NNNN
/EX

20484. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-01 14:01:03 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 20484

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:Issued: 2013 Feb 01 1237 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
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SIDC URSIGRAM 30201
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 01 Feb 2013, 1144UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 01 Feb 2013 until 03 Feb 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Quiet conditions (<50% probability of C-class flares)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 01 Feb 2013 10CM FLUX: 099 / AP: 003
PREDICTIONS FOR 02 Feb 2013 10CM FLUX: 098 / AP: 004
PREDICTIONS FOR 03 Feb 2013 10CM FLUX: 097 / AP: 015
COMMENT: Solar flaring activity remains low and the solar wind is
quiet. Two filament eruptions were observed on the east side on the
solar disk yesterday. SDO/AIA images show a filament erupting in the
southeast around 06:00 UT and one in the northeast around 16:30 UT. The
CACTus halo CME alert sent at 07:26 UT today concerned the associated
CMEs. While the second CME was not earth-directed, we expect a possible
glancing blow from the first one early on February 3. Geomagnetic
conditions are very quiet. We expect possible unsettled to active
conditions (K <= 4) on February 3 due to the possible arrival of the CME
mentioned above and a coronal hole that may become geo-effective. The
SIDC All Quiet alert remains valid for now.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 043, BASED ON 10 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 31 Jan 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 048
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 103
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 007
AK WINGST : 003
ESTIMATED AP : 002
ESTIMATED ISN : 034, BASED ON 20 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
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20485. RE: [DX-IS] SPOT FILTERING

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-01 14:39:03 UTC
From: ve1al@...
Topic: 20481 Message: 20485

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Date: 2013-02-01 15:51:42 UTC
From: Pete Smith N4ZR
Topic: 20481 Message: 20486

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20489. ARLP005 Propagation de K7RA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-01 16:09:46 UTC
From: jjreisert@...
Topic: 809 Message: 20489

SB PROP @ ARL $ARLP005
ARLP005 Propagation de K7RA

ZCZC AP05
QST de W1AW
Propagation Forecast Bulletin 5 ARLP005
>From Tad Cook, K7RA
Seattle, WA February 1, 2013
To all radio amateurs

SB PROP ARL ARLP005
ARLP005 Propagation de K7RA

Sunspot numbers and solar flux barely changed in the past week. Average daily sunspot numbers were 55.7, down slightly from 56.4 the previous week, and average daily solar flux was 98.7, down from 110.7. Geomagnetic conditions continued their quiet spell.

The most active day was Saturday, January 26, when both the mid-latitude and planetary A index was 18, and Alaska's college A index was 46.

The predicted solar flux is 100 for February 1, 105 on February 2-5, 110 on February 6-7, 120 and 125 on February 8-9, 120 on February 10-11, then 115, 110 and 105 on February 12-14, 110 on February 15-18, 105 on February 19-23, 95 on February 24-25, 110 on February 26, and 125 on February 27 through March 1. Flux values peak again at 140 on March 3-4.

The predicted planetary A index is 5 on February 1, then 12, 18, 15 and 8 on February 2-5, 5 on February 6-8, 8 on February 9-10, 5 on February 11-18, 8 on February 19, 5 on February 20-21, then 15, 10 and 8 on February 22-24, 5 on February 25 through March 7, and 8 on March 8-9.

OK1HH believes we will see quiet conditions on February 1-3, quiet to unsettled February 4, mostly quiet February 5, quiet to active February 6, mostly quiet February 7, quiet to unsettled February 8, quiet to active February 9-10, quiet to unsettled February 11, mostly quiet February 12, quiet to active February 13-14, active to disturbed February 15, quiet to unsettled February 16, quiet on February 17-21, active to disturbed February 22, quiet to unsettled February 23 and quiet February 24.

Regular readers know we've been tracking a three-month moving average of sunspot numbers for several years now. The average daily sunspot number for the three calendar months ending January 31 was

82.8, better than last month, but nothing like the numbers we saw over a year ago in fall 2011.

The three-month averages for the past year, the months ending in February 2012 through January 2013 were 83.3, 73.7, 71.2, 87.3, 91.5, 96.5, 91.9, 89.9, 81.2, 82.3, 74.4 and 82.8.

The one month average sunspot number for January was 98.9, the highest monthly average since May and July of last year.

Not much news in reports from readers this week, but N8II of West Virginia reported last Friday, January 25, "Today was pretty decent considering the now double digit SFI and K of 2. I worked RC4HAA on 15 meter CW who was S6-9, and 12 meters opened well to Europe from 1400-1440Z. I got in on the tail end of it with QSOs with SV3, HB9, OM0 and G4.

"Last night at 0200Z I caught T6LG in Afghanistan on 80 CW for a new band/country. He was about S3-S6 and not hearing the USA stations calling him that well (about 10 callers when I was there)."

Glenn Axelrod, N6INM/9 in Mundelein, Illinois wrote: "Are SFI and conditions going to improve by the Spring/Summer? Are we ever going to see numbers again like in '58 in my lifetime? I am 48 years old."

By SFI, Glenn means solar flux index. We have no way of knowing when this cycle will peak, or even if it may have already peaked, but peaks of solar cycles become easier to predict later in the first part (the upswing) of any cycle.

Until recently experts predicted this cycle would probably peak in Spring of 2013, which begins in less than seven weeks. But later predictions moved it out to Fall of 2013, with slightly lower numbers. We had a period of higher solar activity in November and December of 2011, which led some to believe that perhaps the cycle had peaked early. Others believe we may see a double-peak in this cycle, as we have in some earlier solar cycles.

But we should see seasonal improvements in HF conditions in the Spring and again in the Fall. By seasonal, I mean that even if we saw no change in solar activity, just due to the season and position of the Sun relative to us, we see better conditions on the higher frequencies in Spring and Fall than we tend to see in Summer and Winter.

In September through December 2011 the monthly averages of daily sunspot numbers were 106.4, 123.6, 133.1 and 106.4. The previous four months (May through August) saw averages of 61.5, 55.5, 67.2 and 66, so the final third of 2011 showed a dramatic jump in activity. But the next year the numbers dropped back again. The average daily sunspot number for all of 2012 was 82.3. The average for all of 2011 was only 29.9, so that jump at the end of the year

was exciting, and convinced many of us that the cycle was starting to really ramp up. The January 2013 average was a little less than 100.

There is a hypothesis which posits that we may see a grand minimum, decades of depressed sunspot numbers, but of course that cannot be proven by observation in the next decade or two. I hope it isn't true. I hope we see future activity which is strong and surprises everyone, but I wouldn't count on it. I was licensed during the low point between Cycle 19 (the biggest in history) and Cycle 20, and along with many others have been wishing for decades to see another like Cycle 19. But Cycle 19 turned out to be a rarity. But just like Cycle 19 surprised many people, I hope we can be surprised again.

If you would like to make a comment or have a tip for our readers, email the author at, k7ra@....

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service web page at http://arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals. For an explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin, see http://arrl.org/the-sun-the-earth-the-ionosphere. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at http://arrl.org/w1aw-bulletins-archive-propagation. Find more good information and tutorials on propagation at http://myplace.frontier.com/~k9la/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://arrl.org/propagation.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of ARRL bulletins are at http://arrl.org/bulletins.

Sunspot numbers for January 24 through 30 were 60, 44, 55, 60, 52, 63, and 56, with a mean of 55.7. 10.7 cm flux was 103.4, 100.5, 99.4, 97.7, 97.6, 95.4, and 96.6, with a mean of 98.7. Estimated planetary A indices were 1, 6, 18, 6, 4, 2, and 2, with a mean of 5.6. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 1, 7, 18, 5, 3, 2, and 2, with a mean of 5.4.
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20490. Re: [DX-IS] SPOT FILTERING

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-01 16:12:40 UTC
From: Pete Smith N4ZR
Topic: 20481 Message: 20490

This points out another virtue of filtering at the node, which is what
CC User does through its "Tell Cluster" command.

Once a filter or filters are associated with your call on a given node,
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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-01 16:14:32 UTC
From: ve1al@...
Topic: 20481 Message: 20491

Hi Peg,

Trust you and Paul are well. HNY.

My question now is: How do I get to VE7CC to do that filtering? In DXbase I simply open the filtering script for modes and bands. However, how do I stop the W3LPL spots alone? Do I just open the filter to tell it to stop accepting W3LPL? And if so, how?

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Date: 2013-02-01 16:22:22 UTC
From: Pete Smith N4ZR
Topic: 20481 Message: 20492

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Tack, hej d? & 73, Paul VE1DX

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-01 16:45:46 UTC
From: KQ8M
Topic: 20481 Message: 20495

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73,

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I could filter W3LPL spots globally on VE1DXI so that no one gets them (from the node level), but some users including myself find them useful. I much prefer to let each user customize what they see as opposed to me setting global filters that affect everyone.

Hopefully this makes it a bit clearer and a DBASE expert will pop in with the commands you need.

Tack, hej då & 73, Paul VE1DX

20498. Re: [DX-IS] SPOT FILTERING

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-01 17:00:31 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 20481 Message: 20498

On 2/1/2013 12:47 PM, KQ8M wrote:
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> CC user doesn't work with ARC V6.
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> 73,
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> Tim Herrick, KQ8M
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> Charter Member North Coast Contesters
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> kq8m@...
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> AR-Cluster V6 kq8m.no-ip.org
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> User Ports: 23, 7373 with local skimmer, 7374 without local skimmer
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> Server Ports: V6 3607, V4 Active 3605, V4 Passive 3606
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> *From:*DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] *On Behalf
> Of *ve1al@...
> *Sent:* Friday, February 01, 2013 11:30 AM
> *To:* DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> *Subject:* RE: [DX-IS] SPOT FILTERING
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> OK, Pete. I got it. Just went to VE7CC and set the filter
> appropriately. Am not sure if this will work with K3LR but it will
> with VE1DXI. Right now I'm connected to K3LR and I notice a W3LPL-3
> spot at 1617 but none since. Will check VE1DXI after lunch.
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> 73
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> Al, VE1AL
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73, Paul VE1DX

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-01 17:08:41 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 20481 Message: 20499

On 2/1/2013 12:50 PM, KQ8M wrote:
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> Paul,
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> W3LPL-3 is a special piece of software that monitors the RBN and only
> spots rarer countries with a big time verification of the call. It
> requires X amount of Skimmers to spot the call before it re-spots it
> on the network.
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> 73,
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> Tim Herrick, KQ8M
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I am aware of that, although not the exact details. I just asked Pete, N4ZR, to post the technical details of what W3LPL is doing here. He has it well detailed and posted it to a different list an hour or so ago. Hopefully it will allow users to make informed decisions about Frank's spots rather than dismissing them as useless. Personally, I find W3KPL (not W3LPL-#) spots highly accurate. I feel it is unfair to dismiss W3LPL spots as useless until one takes the time to understand them and how accurate they can be. However, as we all know, you can't please everyone, and that's why there are client side filters. :-)

73, Paul VE1DX

20500. 425 DX News - #1135

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-01 17:10:08 UTC
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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** DX INFORMATION ****
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5V - Jack, F8AEJ will be active holiday style as 5V7JD from Lome, Togo from 4 February to 15 March. QSL via home call and logsearch on Club Log.
9M2 - Taking part in the Chinese New Year Cultural and Heritage Celebration, special event callsign 9M4CNY will be active on 16 February from Penang Island (AS-015), West Malaysia. Expect operations on 40, 20 and 10 metres SSB, from 7 to 16 UTC. QSL direct to the qrz.com address.
C6 - Drew, N2RFA will be active as C6ABB from Nassau (NA-001), Bahamas on 10-21 February. He will be QRV on 80, 40, 20, 17 and 10 metres, with "some digital work" (PSK31, JT65, RTTY and possibly SSTV). QSL via N2RFA, eQSL and LoTW.
D4 - Mats, SM7GIB is currently active as D44TIB from Cape Verde until 7 February. He operates holiday style, typically during his early morning hours on the low bands. QSL via home call. [TNX QRZ DX]
FG - Oliver, F6ARC will be active as FG/F6ARC from Guadeloupe (NA-102) on 2-14 February. He will operate holiday style with a focus on 30 and 40 metres CW. QSL via bureau or direct (details on qrz.com). [TNX DX World]
H4 - Ralph, H44RK (currently active as 5W0W) is planning an extensive IOTA tour around the Solomon Islands, Temotu Province included, on his sailing boat "Hafskip". It is expected to start in late April-early May from Liapari, Vella Lavella (OC-149) and continue through other IOTA groups, with 2-4 days of radio activity from each of them, until they reach Honiara (Guadalcanal). Then the plan is to get "selected crew/operators on board" and reach the Stewart Islands (OC-285, new one for IOTA). Preliminary information cen be found at www.qrz.com/db/H40RK
HA - Special station HG66MALEV (for Hungary flag carrier Malev, which ceased flight activity in February 2012, after 66 years of continuous operation) will be active until 31 March on 80-10 metres CW, SSB, RTTY and possibly PSK31. QSL direct to HG4I. [TNX HA5LN]
HC - Elena, RC5A and Alex, RA1AGL will be active as HC2/homecall from Ecuador between 10 February and 9 March. They will operate SSB and CW on 160-6 metres, and Elena will participate in both the ARRL

Contests CW and SSB. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. [TNX RC5A]
J3 - Roy, KE4TG will be active again as J38RF from Grenada (NA-024) from 6 February to 8 March. He will operate JT65HF, PSK31 and RTTY on 80-10 metres, with some activity (SSB, CW and digital modes) on 60 metres. QSL via KE4TG and LoTW. [TNX rsgbiota.org]
J5 - A group of operators from the Verona DX Team (namely IK3RBE, IK3VVD, IK3VZJ, IZ3BUR and IZ3STA) will be active again as J52HF from Guinea-Bissau between 10 February and 2 March. In their spare time they will operate SSB only on the HF bands and 6 metres. QSL via I3LDP.
J8 - Dave, G3TBK will be active once again as J88DR from St Vincent (NA-109) from 14 February to 11 March, including participation in the ARRL DX CW and SSB Contests. He will be QRV on all bands CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via G3TBK, direct or bureau. [TNX NG3K]
LY - Celebrating the Act of Independence of Lithuania (16 February 1918), Sam, LY5W will be active as LY16W through February. QSL via home call. [TNX LY5W]
PJ2 - Joeke, PA0VDV will be active again as PJ2/PA0VDV from Curacao (SA-099) from 15 February to 22 March. He will operate CW only. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX PA0VDV]
T2 - Rob GM3YTS, Tom GM4FDM, Gavin GM0GAV and Clive GM3POI will be active as T2GM from Tuvalu (OC-015) on 12-23 March. They will operate stations with amplifers and vertical antennas placed either in or at the edge of the lagoon. QSL via GM4FDM, direct or bureau (OQRS on Club Log), and LoTW. The team will run a blog (http://t2gm.org/) courtesy MM0NDX before and during the expedition. [TNX DX World]
V6 - Bob, 5B4AGN will be active as KH2/G3ZEM from Guam on 9-13 February and as V63ZM from Micronesia on 13-23 February. He will be QRV on 80-10 metres, plus 160 metres "if useful antenna arrangements can be made". QSL via M0URX. [TNX NG3K]
VK_ant - Craig, VK6JJJ expects to arrive at the Australian Antarctic station Mawson around 7 February and to remain there for approximately twelve months. He plans to be QRV as VK0JJJ on 80-6 metres SSB and digital modes, with "a lot of priority given to 6m operation". His plans include the installing of a 6m beacon (VK0RTM) at 50w on 50.300 MHz to monitor openings. QSL via K7CO. Further details can be found at www.qrz.com/db/vk0jjj; he also has a blog at http://craighayhow.blogspot.com.au/
VK9N - A group of ten Oceania DX Group members (namely Allan VK2CA, Benton VK3CBV, Roy VK3GB, Lee VK3GK, Graeme VK3GL, Luke VK3HJ, Peter VK3IJ, Chris VK3QB, Catherine VK4GH and John VK4IO) will be active as VK9NT from Norfolk Island (OC-005) on 3-12 May. They plan to operate SSB, CW and RTTY on 80-10 metres, with four stations "as often as possibile" and "at least two stations on-air 18 hours per day". QSL via VK2CA, direct or bureau (please use the OQRS on Clublog). Logs will uploaded to LoTW "as soon as possible after the DXpedition". Further information can be found at http://vk9nt.odxg.org/

VP5 - Jeff, K0UU will be active as VP5/K0UU from Grand Turk Island (NA-003) on 13-21 February. He will operate CW with an emphasis on 30, 17 and 12 metres, and will participate in the ARRL DX W Contest as VQ5RP. QSL via K0UU, direct or bureau, and LoTW. [TNX The Daily DX]
W - Once again Joe, K5KUA will be active as K5KUA/5 from Galveston Island (NA-143) on 15-17 February. He usually operates CW only on 40-10 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [rsgbiota.org]
W - Dave, K3FT and Rob, N3RW will participate in the ARRL DX SSB Contest (LP Multi-Two) from the battleship "New Jersey" (NJ2BB) moored at the Camden waterfront, in New Jersey. "We will be using all WW2 original antennas and late model commercial transceivers", they say, "maybe even a military HF transceiver as well". [TNX K3FT]
XT - XT2TT is the callsign for the Italian DXpediton Team to use during their activity from Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso [425DXN 1125] from 21 February to 6 March. Eight operators (namely I1HJT, I2YSB, IK2CIO, IK2CKR, IK2DIA, IK2HKT, IK2RZP and JA3USA) will be active on CW (1826.5, 3515, 7015, 10115, 14025, 18070, 21025, 24891, 28025 and 50105 kHz), SSB (3760, 7145, 14220, 18145, 21295, 24945, 28475 and 50125 kHz) and RTTY (14081 kHz) with four stations. The pilot stations will be IK7JWY and (for 6m) IK0FTA; a dedicated forum will be on www.hamradioweb.org. Further information, including real-time logsearch, QSLling details and OQRS for direct cards, can be found at www.i2ysb.com/idt
XU - John, XU7ACQ will be active from Cambodia from 10 February to 18 March. He will operate SSB, CW and digital modes on 80-10 metres. QSL via KF0RQ. [TNX DX World]
YB - YB6AR and several other operators will be active as homecall/p from Pulau Bunta (claimed for IOTA group OC-245) on 15-17 February. They plan to be QRV on 40, 30, 20, 15 and 10 metres SSB and RTTY. QSL via operator's instructions. [TNX Mediterraneo DX Club]
ZF - Dave, N4QS will be active as ZF2DP from the Cayman Islands (NA-016) on 8-12 February. He will participate in the CQ WPX RTTY Contest; before and after the contest he will also operate some CW and SSB primarily on 30, 17 and 12 metres. Logserach on Clublog; QSL via home call and LoTW.
ZK3 - Dieter, DJ2EH is active as ZK3T from Tokelau (OC-048) until 20 February. He is QRV on 160-10 metres mainly CW with some RTTY. QSL via home call.

AFRICAN TOUR ---> Steve, HA0DU and Laci, HA0NAR will be active as 6V2R from Senegal and as J5NAR from Guinea Bissau starting around 9 February. They also plan to operate as 6V2R/p from Carabane Island (AF-078) and as J5NAR/p from Jeta Island (AF-093). QSL for both calls via HA0NAR, direct or bureau.

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BLACK SEA INTERNATIONAL HF CUP ---> The Black Sea International HF Cup, organized by the Black Sea Contest Club, will be held on 2-3 February, from 12 UTC on Saturady through 11.59 UTC on Sunday. Complete information at www.bscc.in/index/black_sea_cup_international_oficial_page/0-54 [TNX UV5EOZ]

DX ACROSS AFRICA ---> Jon, TF3ZA is part of a 15-man team travelling in an ex-military vehicle from Reykjavik, Iceland to Cape Town, South Africa. This 20,000 km trek will take about six months, with planned activity on 160-6 metres CW and SSB from CN, 5T, 6W, 3X, TU, 9G, 5V, TY, 5N, TJ, TR, TN, 9Q, 9J, Z2, A2 and ZS. QSL via TF3ZA. Details can be found at www.dxacrossafrica.com

QSL 4W3DX & 4W6MM ---> Phil, G3SWH has been appointed as QSL manager for Thor's (TF4M) operations from Timor Leste between 2000 and 2003 as 4W3DX and 4W6MM. Logsearch for both calls at www.g3swh.org.uk [TNX G3SWH]

QSLs received direct or through managers: 1A0C, 2O12L, 2O12W, 3B9SP, 3D2C, 4L1MA, 4L4WW, 4L8A, 4M5CW, 4O7VB, 4S7BRG, 4S7NE, 5C2P, 5K4T (SA-084), 5K8T (SA-081), 5N7M, 5T0SP, 5T5BV, 5U5U, 5V7TH, 5W0RK, 5W0W, 5W1SA, 5Z4/DL7UCX, 7P8D, 7X4AN, 7Z7AB (AS-190), 9Y4/DL7VOG, AH0/N0AT, AH0BT, BM0LF, BV7GC, BY1CQ/2 (AS-158), BY1WXD/0, C50C, C5A, C6AVA, C91JD, CY9M, D44TXR, D64K, E40V, E40VB, EA9UG, ED5RKB (EU-093), EK6TA, EK7DX, EY7AD, F4BKV/p (EU-107), FM5WD, GN0ADX/P (EU-122), H44RK, H44USMC, HB0/HB9LCW, HH2/9A7GAE, HH8/N3BNA, HI3/KL7JR, HL2DC, HS0ZEE, HT9H, IM0/F4BKV (EU-041), J75Z, J79IX, J79WE, JD1BLY, JD1BMH, JR1NHD, JY8VB, KL2HD/p (NA-039), LT0X, NH8S, OJ0R, P29NI, P29VCX, P29VPB, PJ5J, PJ7XK, RI0K (AS-061), RI0K/p (AS-092),RI1ANF, SU9VB, SV2ASP/A, T77C, T88UE, T8XX, TI4CF, TI8M, TO3R, TO8YY, TT8TT, TZ6VV, UA0ZC, UK8LA, UK8OWW, UP0L, UP4L, V26HS, V31WV, V84SMD, V85AVE, VK0TH, VK9/OH1VR, VK9/OH3JR, VK9XS, VP2MDG, VP2MMM, VP9/WW3S, VR2XMT, VU2GSM, XQ1KZ, XT2RJA, YB8Y (OC-221), YU9VB, YW5AS (SA-051), YW5F (SA-081), Z21HS, Z38VB, Z81D, ZD7VC, ZD9AH.

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20501. 425 DX Calendar - #1135

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From: r_brothers
Topic: 20501 Message: 20501

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20502. RE: [DX-IS] SPOT FILTERING

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From: KQ8M
Topic: 20481 Message: 20502

The user program for AR-Cluster is AR-Cluster Client. I am not especially knowledgeable about it. AR-Cluster does the filter with a
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73,

Tim Herrick, KQ8M

Charter Member North Coast Contesters

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73, Paul VE1DX

20503. LoTW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-01 19:21:03 UTC
From: ve1al@...
Topic: 799 Message: 20503

Has anyone been in touch with the LoTW folks today to find out why LoTW is not working?

73

Al, VE1AL

20504. my skimmer issue

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-01 19:24:48 UTC
From: ve1al@...
Topic: 20504 Message: 20504

I've been monitoring both VE1DXI and K3LR and can report that no W3LPL skimmer spots have appeared for over an hour. The skimmer issue is mine. I'm glad it is available and if I ever find a need for skimmer spots I will change my settings.

Thanks to all of your for the suggestions on disabling them.

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Al, VE1AL

20505. Re: [DX-IS] LoTW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-01 19:30:49 UTC
From: Bob KA9MOM
Topic: 799 Message: 20505

http://www.arrl.org/logbook-of-the-world

On 2/1/2013 1:21 PM, ve1al@... wrote:
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> Has anyone been in touch with the LoTW folks today to find out why
> LoTW is not working?
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> Al, VE1AL
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20506. Re: [DX-IS] LoTW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-01 19:43:08 UTC
From: W4ABW@...
Topic: 799 Message: 20506

Doing maintenance again until 1900.

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W4ABW

20507. RE: [DX-IS] LoTW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-01 19:48:39 UTC
From: ve1al@...
Topic: 799 Message: 20507

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of
W4ABW@...
Sent: Friday, February 01, 2013 3:43 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] LoTW

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20508. Re: [dxlab] Re: Digital Skimmers

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-01 19:47:17 UTC
From: Pete Smith N4ZR
Topic: 20508 Message: 20508

With W3LPL's permission, let me "reprint" his explanation of how the W3LPL-3 spots work, so at least the debate can proceed on a sound basis...

"The W3LPL automation software uses all of the worldwide Reverse Beacon Network skimmer spots. The most important aspect of the software is that it uses a list of approximately one thousand active CW DX callsigns (no W, VE, XE and a relatively small number of European calls).

Each call in the list also has spotting rules that specify the valid bands and the re-spotting interval for that call. Only relatively rare DX stations are spotted on 40 and 15 meters and only the rarest DX stations are spotted on 20 meters. Most calls are re-spotted after 30 minutes, but very active stations are not re-spotted for one hour. Every CW skimmer spot received from the RBN is compared to the list of 1000 calls.

If the CW Skimmer spot is a perfect match to a call in the list and the spot was originated by any CW skimmer in the USA, the software then looks for ten minutes for a second perfect match from any other CW Skimmer anywhere in the world. If a second CW Skimmer spot perfectly matches the first call and is on the same frequency (+/- 300 Hz), the software examines the DX spotting rules (band and re-spotting interval) for that call. A DX spot is then sent (or not sent) over the DX Cluster network according the the spotting rules for that call.

W3LPL DX Cluster spots can originate from any CW Skimmer in the USA but are carefully screened by the list of 1000 calls and the further limited by the spotting rules associated with each call. The 80m and 160m spots and the other spots at "off times" are probably originated from the skimmers on the west coast (you can check this out by examining the RBN feed)."

73, Pete N4ZR
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ARC V6 or VE7CC DX cluster node.

On 1/31/2013 5:20 PM, k6xt wrote:
> Some time ago, probably at least a year, Frank W3LPL sent around email
> asking if DXer/contester 's on his list wanted to see spots from his
> SDR. The apparent result of this survey was "yes" as his SDR has been
> spotting on the clusters since then. Some love it, some hate it, some
> like me don't care. Occasionally even I out in flyover country can hear
> the DX he spots.

>
> TTBOMK these are not re-spots that Frank is picking off the RBN. These
> are spots actually heard by the very extensive W3LPL antenna farm.
>
> Usually a single op unassisted, I don't use the packet network in
> contests. To us who really are SO-unassisted I can't imagine what the
> packet network is doing matters at all. For those contests where
> external help is allowed I just shut it off for the first third or so,
> else even without RBN its a flood.
>
> 73 Art K6XT~~
> Success is going from failure to failure without a loss of enthusiasm.
> ARRL, GMCC, CW OPS, NAQCC
> ARRL TA
>
> On 1/31/2013 11:14 AM,dxlab@yahoogroups.com wrote:
> If the only apparent skimmer spots you are receiving are from W3LPL,
> this implies that the RBN is not involved at all. What it suggests to me
> is that perhaps W3LPL is putting spots from his own skimmer directly
> onto the traditional cluster network (*not* through the RBN). If this is
> the case, you will see them regardless of which node(s) you connect to.
> If W3LPL is the only such spotting source that you are having problems
> with, then the Bad Source list is the right way to deal with it.
> However, this has nothing to do with the RBN.
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20509. Re: [DX-IS] SPOT FILTERING

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-01 19:49:17 UTC
From: Pete Smith N4ZR
Topic: 20481 Message: 20509

The -# suffix denotes a Skimmer spot, unless someone is spoofing them.

73, Pete N4ZR
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On 2/1/2013 11:35 AM, Paul M Dunphy wrote:
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> On 2/1/2013 10:39 AM, ve1al@... <mailto:ve1al%40eastlink.ca>
> wrote:
> > Hello Paul,
> >
> > W3LPL's "offspring" are the W3LPL-1, W3LPL-5, W3LPL-137 notations. I am
> > using either VE1DXI (which frustrates me by disconnecting me several
> times
> > a day and/or will not accept my spots) or K3LR. Both, of course,
> offer the
> > same in formation.
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> > I have filtered the frequencies I do not want to have (60M and
> everything
> > above 30 MHz, except for a couple of bands like 1296 and 70 cm).
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> > My cluster connection is done through DXbase and my question
> remains: How
> > do I get rid of W3LPL's skimmer spots which are far too numerous and of
> > absolutely no value to me?
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> > 73
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> > Al, VE1AL
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> Hej Al!
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> I have never seen spots from W3LPL-1, W3LPL-2, W3LPL-3, etc. There
> are spots from W3LPL and W3LPL-#. The -# suffix is certainly not unique
> to W3LPL. Here is a sample of what my cluster is generating now:
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> DX de NC7J-#: 14026.0 K9UIY CW 08 dB 25 WPM CQ 1607Z
> DX de G4HSO-#: 10104.9 EA1PF CW 22 dB 17 WPM CQ 1607Z

> DX de RU9CZD-#: 1831.2 RU9WZ CW 07 dB 35 WPM CQ 1607Z
> DX de HA6PX-#: 1825.8 LY7M CW 17 dB 35 WPM CQ 1607Z
> DX de N4ZR-#: 21027.3 OH2BV CW 14 dB 22 WPM CQ 1607Z
> DX de 9A5KIS: 7187.0 9A1IW/P COTA 9A-0010 1607Z
> DX de S55HH-#: 1825.8 LY7M CW 07 dB 35 WPM CQ 1607Z
> DX de W4KKN-#: 21027.3 OH2BV CW 21 dB 22 WPM CQ 1607Z
> DX de DJ3AK-#: 1825.8 LY7M CW 15 dB 36 WPM CQ 1607Z
> DX de NY3A-#: 14020.5 LZ13FDAY CW 05 dB 27 WPM CQ 1607Z
> DX de WZ7I-#: 21016.5 DK3LM CW 16 dB 21 WPM CQ 1607Z
> DX de DR1A-#: 21027.3 OH2BV CW 12 dB 22 WPM CQ 1607Z
> DX de W3LPL-#: 21016.5 DK3LM CW 14 dB 21 WPM CQ 1607Z
> DX de S50ARX-#: 14032.0 OK2LA CW 14 dB 29 WPM CQ 1607Z
> DX de 7Z1SJ-#: 1825.8 LY7M CW 07 dB 37 WPM CQ 1607Z
> DX de EA4TX-#: 14019.1 I8GMG CW 15 dB 25 WPM CQ 1607Z
> DX de SK3W-#: 1825.8 LY7M CW 51 dB 33 WPM CQ 1607Z
> DX de G4HSO-#: 14019.0 I8GMG CW 29 dB 25 WPM CQ 1607Z
> DX de DF7GB-#: 7010.7 RN3ZB CW 20 dB 34 WPM CQ 1607Z
> DX de W4KAZ-#: 14023.9 HB9DAX CW 06 dB 27 WPM CQ 1607Z
> DX de HA6PX-#: 7010.7 RN3ZB CW 33 dB 33 WPM CQ 1607Z
> DX de DL1EMY-#: 7009.0 F5OEL CW 20 dB 28 WPM CQ 1607Z
> DX de OZ5W-#: 21024.0 OK2QA CW 16 dB 24 WPM CQ 1607Z
> DX de RN4WA-#: 7010.7 RN3ZB CW 16 dB 33 WPM CQ 1607Z
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> You will note one of them is from W3LPL-#, but not W3LPL-(a
> number). With my node, or VE7CC-1, or any other node running CC Cluster
> software, you can disable skimmer spots with the command: SET/NOSKIMMER
> and turn them on again with SET/SKIMMER. Note the cluster remembers
> this from session to session, so if you turn them off once, you should
> never have to turn them off again. In the above example, they are all
> skimmer spots except the one from 9A5KS. You can reduce the spot volume
> by 95-98% by disabling skimmer spots. There must be a way to issue
> commands to the DX Cluster node from DXBASE, but I don't know how.
> Surely there must be a DXBASE user here who can tell you how. If not, I
> think VE1BVD could figure it out.
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> I can't explain the iffy connection to VE1DXI as I have, on
> average, 100-130 users connected and it is a high speed cable EastLink
> connection. As regards to your inability to spot, again I can't really
> explain it. I just logged on to VE1DXI as VE1AL and spotted myself:
>
> VE1AL de VE1DXI 01-Feb-2013 1617Z CCC >
> dx VE1DX 14030 Calling CQ
> VE1AL de VE1DXI 01-Feb-2013 1618Z CCC >
> DX de VE1AL: 14030.0 VE1DX Calling CQ 1618Z
> DX de W1KDA: 14195.0 8P9HF 1617Z
> DX de R3OK: 7005.0 UA0ZC CQ 1618Z
> DX de KI4NBE: 18159.0 8P9WZ Pick me up Dan, George in Flor 1618Z
> sh/dx/10
> 14070.0 RX6LEC 01-Feb-2013 1616Z
> 21030.1 7P8US 01-Feb-2013 1616Z

> 7065.0 EA2AK/P 01-Feb-2013 1617Z ez007 dme50004
> 7008.7 LZ13FDAY 01-Feb-2013 1617Z Tnx for Qso -Gl
> 21245.0 7X4RJ 01-Feb-2013 1617Z Tnx
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> It seems to work fine, but that was from a rudimentary telnet
> program (putty), not DXBASE. I know K3LR is running AR Cluster and I
> don't know what version he is running, nor do I know the syntax for
> disabling skimmer spots unless it is the latest release AR v6. If it
> is, then the following should work:
>
> Set Dx Filter Skimmer <---- Enables skimmers spots
> Set Dx Filter Not Skimmer <---- Disables skimmers spots
>
> As for W3LPL spots, there may be a way to filter them out in
> DXBASE, but I don't know how. There is no way to filter a call out (as
> an individual user) on CC Cluster unless you use the companion client
> program CC User (sometimes called AR User), which is free and written by
> VE7CC. However, there may be a way to do it from DXBASE. Again, we
> need someone who knows DXBASE inside out to tell us if it is possible.
>
> I could filter W3LPL spots globally on VE1DXI so that no one gets
> them (from the node level), but some users including myself find them
> useful. I much prefer to let each user customize what they see as
> opposed to me setting global filters that affect everyone.
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> Hopefully this makes it a bit clearer and a DBASE expert will pop
> in with the commands you need.
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> Tack, hej d? & 73, Paul VE1DX
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20510. Re: [DX-IS] SPOT FILTERING

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-01 20:15:01 UTC
From: Pete Smith N4ZR
Topic: 20481 Message: 20510

Let me clarify - his robospots used to be -3. I'm rarely on the air
except in contests so I hadn't noticed the change.

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> 73, Paul VE1DX
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20511. RE: [DX-IS] SPOT FILTERING

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-01 20:29:32 UTC
From: KQ8M
Topic: 20481 Message: 20511

They still come through as -3.

73,

Tim Herrick, KQ8M

Charter Member North Coast Contesters

kq8m@...

AR-Cluster V6 kq8m.no-ip.org

User Ports: 23, 7373 with local skimmer, 7374 without local skimmer

Server Ports: V6 3607, V4 Active 3605, V4 Passive 3606

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Pete Smith N4ZR
Sent: Friday, February 01, 2013 3:15 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Cc: Paul M Dunphy
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] SPOT FILTERING

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20512. Re: LoTW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-01 21:09:14 UTC
From: Bob
Topic: 799 Message: 20512

Al
This is getting really old! They updated to 2300. For god's sake bookmark the page or stop using LoTW
Bob

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20513. RE: [DX-IS] LoTW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-01 21:16:25 UTC
From: Ron Notarius W3WN
Topic: 799 Message: 20513

I'm sorry Al, but with all due respect, that comment was uncalled for.

I don't believe that they are "lying".? They set a target time, and yes, they missed it.? That doesn't make the ARRL staff liars.? It does mean, and only means, that they were mistaken.

They may have underestimated the time.
They may have run into an unexpected issue.
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It happens in the IT world. We don't like it when it happens, but it happens.
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C'mon.? Give them a break.

On 02/01/13, ve1al@eastlink.ca wrote:

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20514. Re: [DX-IS] LoTW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-01 21:22:35 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 799 Message: 20514

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They are human, too. Most humans don't like being called names
when they are trying their best to do a good job. I know because I
worked in IT for over 35 years. The second you miss a deadline, you are
criticized. If you finish the maintenance a day early, no one says a thing.

73, Paul VE1DX

20515. Re: [DX-IS] LoTW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-01 21:29:19 UTC
From: iain macdonnell - N6ML
Topic: 799 Message: 20515

The only thing that bothers me a bit is that they *changed* the time
in the existing outage notification, as if they had planned for it to
take until 2300Z all along. I think they'd get more respect if they
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it's taking longer than we expected - our new estimated time for
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~iain / N6ML

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20516. RE: [DX-IS] LoTW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-01 21:36:38 UTC
From: ve1al@...
Topic: 799 Message: 20516

I absolutely agree with you, Iain.

When my power company has a problem and announces an expected resumption of electricity, I know they over estimate. Saying they'll have service restored at 2300 and having it back on at 1915 puts a feather in their cap.

ARRL should have over-estimated and then had all of us cheering them by "restoring ahead of schedule" and not the other way around.

OTOH, I have been accused of being harsh and provocative in my comments today. Phooey.

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Al, VE1AL

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20517. RE: [DX-IS] RE: [ARRL-LOTW] Re: LoTW Re: LoTW Re: LoTW Re: LoTW Re: LoTW Re: LoTW Re: LoTW Re: LoTW Re: LoTW Re: LoTW Re: LoTW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-01 21:45:07 UTC
From: Dave AA6YQ
Topic: 20517 Message: 20517

Until a few months ago, the ARRL never informed the user community before taking LotW down for maintenance. Now they religiously
inform us beforehand in the "What's New with Logbook of the World" section of

<http://www.arrl.org/logbook-of-the-world>

and ops are accusing them of "lying" because the LotW has not been returned to service "on schedule".

1. Be thankful that the ARRL is maintaining LotW, given the low level of staffing allocated to this function.

2. It's not always possible to precisely estimate how long a maintenance task will require, particularly when the one person
available to do this work has 5 other responsibilities, any of which can generate unexpected interrupts.

3. Postings of the form "LotW will be down for maintenance from X until Y" should be interpreted as "LotW will be down for
maintenance starting at X, and we'll bring it back up as soon as we can".

4. If you haven't contacted your ARRL Representative and pointed out the need for dedicated development and maintenance staffing for
LotW, consider doing so.

73,

Dave, AA6YQ

20518. Re: [DX-IS] Re: LoTW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-01 21:59:57 UTC
From: Richard Solomon
Topic: 799 Message: 20518

Look, when you are Keester high in Snow, you don't have much else to do.
Give him
a break, he is getting old ....

73, Dick, W1KSZ
Keester high in Snowbirds

On Fri, Feb 1, 2013 at 2:09 PM, Bob <kb1jzu@...> wrote:

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> > W4ABW@...
> > Sent: Friday, February 01, 2013 3:43 PM
> > To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> > Subject: Re: [DX-IS] LoTW
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20519. Re: [DX-IS] Re: LoTW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-01 22:15:55 UTC
From: HK3CW
Topic: 799 Message: 20519

DITTO! Really, really old!

73 de HK3CW Rob
----- Original Message -----
From: Bob
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Friday, February 01, 2013 4:09 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: LoTW

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20520. RE: [DX-IS] Re: LoTW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-01 22:26:24 UTC
From: KQ8M
Topic: 799 Message: 20520

Not enough really's!

73,

Tim Herrick, KQ8M

Charter Member North Coast Contesters

kq8m@...

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Server Ports: V6 3607, V4 Active 3605, V4 Passive 3606

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of HK3CW
Sent: Friday, February 01, 2013 5:16 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: LoTW

DITTO! Really, really old!

73 de HK3CW Rob

----- Original Message -----

From: Bob <mailto:kb1jzu@...>

To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com

Sent: Friday, February 01, 2013 4:09 PM

Subject: [DX-IS] Re: LoTW

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20521. Re: [DX-IS] Re: LoTW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-01 22:42:18 UTC
From: HK3CW
Topic: 799 Message: 20521

Really?
----- Original Message -----
From: KQ8M
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Friday, February 01, 2013 5:26 PM
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Re: LoTW

Not enough really's!

73,

Tim Herrick, KQ8M

Charter Member North Coast Contesters

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20522. RE: [DX-IS] Re: LoTW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-01 22:42:07 UTC
From: ve1al@...
Topic: 799 Message: 20522

Not true, Dick. What little snow we did have was melted by temperatures that reached 12°C yesterday. Today the grass was brown and the snow is gone. At least until Sunday when 10cm is expected (that's 6" for those using the old measurements). At the moment - -1C.

Al, VE1AL

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Richard Solomon
Sent: Friday, February 01, 2013 6:00 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: LoTW

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20523. RE: [DX-IS] Re: LoTW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-01 22:51:19 UTC
From: KQ8M
Topic: 799 Message: 20523

We are getting your snow. We were into the60's F day before yesterday and yesterday it was 25. Only in Cleveland.

Oh I wanted to say, I dealt with a woman at a company in Canada and she had to spell stuff. She had perfect phonetics. I asked her
if she was a ham and she said no. It's just how we are taught in Canada. Kuddo's to Canada!

73,

Tim Herrick, KQ8M

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of ve1al@...
Sent: Friday, February 01, 2013 5:42 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Re: LoTW

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Al, VE1AL

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Sent: Friday, February 01, 2013 6:00 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: LoTW

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20524. RE: [DX-IS] LoTW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-01 22:52:52 UTC
From: Ron Notarius W3WN
Topic: 799 Message: 20524

Al, if you want to express displeasure with the League for how they're handling today's down time, that's one thing. I may not agree with you, but I don't have a problem with that per se.

That said, calling them "liars" is, IMHO, over the line.

Yes, the change in time could have been handled better. Most likely the person who was asked to update the estimated time simply did that, without thinking through the possible consequences for not going into greater detail. And I'd bet apples to oranges that this wasn't the person who made the decision or is doing the work.

"Liars" implies an intention to deceive. I see no such intention.

What do you want? Not to be told anything at all? Or the League to say "forget it!" and abandon the system altogether?

In short: You are entitled to a level of criticism. IMHO, you went too far.

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of ve1al@...
Sent: Friday, February 01, 2013 4:37 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] LoTW

I absolutely agree with you, Iain.

When my power company has a problem and announces an expected resumption of electricity, I know they over estimate. Saying they'll have service restored at 2300 and having it back on at 1915 puts a feather in their cap.

ARRL should have over-estimated and then had all of us cheering them by "restoring ahead of schedule" and not the other way around.

OTOH, I have been accused of being harsh and provocative in my comments today. Phooey.

73

Al, VE1AL

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com> [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>] On Behalf Of

iain macdonnell - N6ML
Sent: Friday, February 01, 2013 5:29 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] LoTW

The only thing that bothers me a bit is that they *changed* the time in the existing outage notification, as if they had planned for it to take until 2300Z all along. I think they'd get more respect if they posted an update, saying something to the effect of "Apologies, but it's taking longer than we expected - our new estimated time for service resumption is 2300Z".

73,

~iain / N6ML

On Fri, Feb 1, 2013 at 1:16 PM, Ron Notarius W3WN wn3vaw@...
<mailto:wn3vaw%40verizon.net> >
wrote:
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> I'm sorry Al, but with all due respect, that comment was uncalled for.
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> I don't believe that they are "lying". They set a target time, and
> yes, they missed it. That doesn't make the ARRL staff liars. It does
> mean, and only means, that they were mistaken.
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> They may have underestimated the time.
> They may have run into an unexpected issue.
> They may have had something enitrely unrelated disrupt their schedule.
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> It happens in the IT world. We don't like it when it happens, but it
> happens.
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> C'mon. Give them a break.
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> [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>] On Behalf Of W4ABW@... <mailto:W4ABW%40aol.com>
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> Sent:
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Yahoo! Groups Links

20525. RE: [DX-IS] Re: LoTW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-01 22:53:49 UTC
From: KQ8M
Topic: 799 Message: 20525

Oh, BTW, LOTW is back up.

73,

Tim Herrick, KQ8M

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of ve1al@...
Sent: Friday, February 01, 2013 5:42 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Re: LoTW

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Sent: Friday, February 01, 2013 6:00 PM
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20526. RE: [DX-IS] Re: LoTW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-01 22:56:22 UTC
From: ve1al@...
Topic: 799 Message: 20526

Wazzat?

73 Al

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of KQ8M
Sent: Friday, February 01, 2013 6:51 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Re: LoTW

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20527. RE: [DX-IS] Re: LoTW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-01 22:59:55 UTC
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Topic: 799 Message: 20527

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kq8m@...

20528. RE: [DX-IS] LoTW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-01 23:03:01 UTC
From: ve1al@...
Topic: 799 Message: 20528

Intentional or not, Ron, the statement turned out to be an untruth. In fact, at 2300Z, four hours later, the system has not been restored. Ergo, the statement turns out to be a lie.

Yes, I understand what might have happened. My earlier statement about my power company holds true.

And yes, I am glad ARRL has started, albeit somewhat later than they should have -- or even never have -- informing those of us who are interested just what is happening. But they're certainly not yet perfectly transparent.

But that's for another discussion.

BTW, if you think I am an ARRL basher, rest assured that I am not.

73

Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Ron Notarius W3WN
Sent: Friday, February 01, 2013 6:53 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] LoTW

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Yahoo! Groups Links

20529. RE: [DX-IS] Re: LoTW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-01 23:04:40 UTC
From: ve1al@...
Topic: 799 Message: 20529

And so it is. Yippee !!!!!!!!!!

73

Al, VE1AL

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of KQ8M
Sent: Friday, February 01, 2013 6:54 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Re: LoTW

Oh, BTW, LOTW is back up.

73,

Tim Herrick, KQ8M

Charter Member North Coast Contesters

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AR-Cluster V6 kq8m.no-ip.org

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of ve1al@eastlink.ca
Sent: Friday, February 01, 2013 5:42 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Re: LoTW

Not true, Dick. What little snow we did have was melted by temperatures that reached 12°C yesterday. Today the grass was brown and the snow is gone. At least until Sunday when 10cm is expected (that's 6" for those using the old measurements). At the moment - -1C.

Al, VE1AL

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Richard Solomon
Sent: Friday, February 01, 2013 6:00 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com

Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: LoTW

Look, when you are Keester high in Snow, you don't have much else to do.
Give him
a break, he is getting old ....

73, Dick, W1KSZ
Keester high in Snowbirds

On Fri, Feb 1, 2013 at 2:09 PM, Bob <kb1jzu@...> wrote:

Al
This is getting really old! They updated to 2300. For god's sake bookmark
the page or stop using LoTW
Bob

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20530. RE: [DX-IS] LoTW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-01 23:10:14 UTC
From: Ron Notarius W3WN
Topic: 799 Message: 20530

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Al, VE1AL

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Sent: Friday, February 01, 2013 6:53 PM
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That said, calling them "liars" is, IMHO, over the line.

Yes, the change in time could have been handled better. Most likely the person who was asked to update the estimated time simply did that, without thinking through the possible consequences for not going into greater detail. And I'd bet apples to oranges that this wasn't the person who made the decision or is doing the work.

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In short: You are entitled to a level of criticism. IMHO, you went too far.

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Yahoo! Groups Links

20531. Re: [DX-IS] LoTW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-01 23:21:00 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 799 Message: 20531

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-01 23:39:53 UTC
From: ve1al@...
Topic: 799 Message: 20532

I'll concede that, Ron, in the interest of moving on. Although I wasn't there at the exact moment LoTW was restored, I'd estimate it was between 2258 and 2259Z. The current time, as I write this is 2340Z.

I've uploaded my January log and already received matches. When it works, these days, it works. ☺

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Yahoo! Groups Links

20533. RE: [DX-IS] LoTW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-01 23:43:45 UTC
From: ve1al@...
Topic: 799 Message: 20533

That's why I have a mobile phone, Paul. I would certainly hope you have one also.

As for NSP, I guess I should consider my $350/2mo to be a bargain.

Yes, I grant you that unforeseen delays are often experienced. Now, I'm willing to completely abandon this because it, quite obviously, is going nowhere.

73

Al, VE1AL

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20534. hi..

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-01 23:46:20 UTC
From: John P.
Topic: 20534 Message: 20534

http://www.alfadom.eu/components/com_content/view.php?id=fhomn2b

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John P.
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20535. Hacked Email Account

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-02 01:19:02 UTC
From: dale cole
Topic: 20535 Message: 20535

My email k9ttt at comcast dot net, and also dhc4fun at yahoo dot com have been hacked.
My new account is dchamguy at att dot net
Please take note.....no "hi" messages from them
sri.....
Dale K8TS

20536. RE: [DX-IS] Hacked Email Account

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-02 01:35:54 UTC
From: KQ8M
Topic: 20535 Message: 20536

Just change your Password and keep the old addresses.

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Tim Herrick, KQ8M

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AR-Cluster V6 kq8m.no-ip.org

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of dale cole
Sent: Friday, February 01, 2013 8:19 PM
To: dx-is@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] Hacked Email Account

My email k9ttt at comcast dot net, and also dhc4fun at yahoo dot com have been hacked.

My new account is dchamguy at att dot net

Please take note.....no "hi" messages from them

sri.....

Dale K8TS

20537. Re: [DX-IS] Hacked Email Account

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-02 01:58:55 UTC
From: dale cole
Topic: 20535 Message: 20537

Thanks for the idea Tim; but had to change ISP anyway--Wife wanted Direct TV,
and she "holds the remote"; so to speak :)

From: KQ8M <kq8m@...>
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20538. OT - Mobile phones

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I do have several 7 computers and a few radios, but I drew the line at pagers and cell phones. In the 1990s they tried to make me carry a cell phone at work. Thankfully this was the time when the media was hyping up the linkage for cell phones to brain tumours. (I think that has been subsequently dis-proven.) Either way, I used the safety hazard excuse to get rid of it, and I never got a personal one. When I go to bed at night, I turn the ringers off on my phones, and turn them back on in the AM.

I communicate via Ham radio and email. I talk to my wife and kids face to face when I can find them. Why would I want a cell phone? It would be a leash around my ankle, and an extra bill to pay every month.

73, Paul VE1DX

Sent from my homebrew desktop PC

20539. RE: [DX-IS] LoTW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-02 02:39:18 UTC
From: Dave AA6YQ
Topic: 799 Message: 20539

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Date: 2013-02-02 03:14:44 UTC
From: dale cole
Topic: 799 Message: 20540

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-02 03:55:16 UTC
From: rjohnson
Topic: 799 Message: 20541

Good Grief Al !!!

What would have happened if you couldn't have made your "JAN Upload" until tomorrow ???

Was the world going to stop turning ???

Were they going to fine you 5 DXCC entities for not having made you upload on time ???

LoTW is a great deal when comparing to any other way of QSL'ing and yet you always seem to find new complaints.

Maybe your Dr. could prescribe something for your anxiety, we all could use some of them.

My wife tells that I am an old curmudgeon frequently, what your wife have to say on the subject ???

Last question, did you get anything new for January ???

73 es GL
Bob, K1VU

At 06:39 PM 2/1/2013, you wrote:
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>I'll concede that, Ron, in the interest of moving on. Although I wasn't there at the exact moment LoTW was restored, I'd estimate it was between 2258 and 2259Z. The current time, as I write this is 2340Z.
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>I've uploaded my January log and already received matches. When it works, these days, it works. â□º
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20542. Re: [DX-IS] LoTW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-02 03:56:50 UTC
From: Richard Solomon
Topic: 799 Message: 20542

I also sent in some cards, around mid-December. I got them back a few days ago.

73, Dick, W1KSZ

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20543. Re: [DX-IS] LoTW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-02 03:58:56 UTC
From: Richard Solomon
Topic: 799 Message: 20543

One of the Legal definitions of Prediction is:

..."Something foretold or predicted; a prophecy"...

As such, it cannot be Truth or Lie.

73, Dick, W1KSZ

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20544. RE: [DX-IS] OT - Mobile phones

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-02 03:58:54 UTC
From: ve1al@...
Topic: 799 Message: 20544

OK then!

AL

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Paul M Dunphy
Sent: Friday, February 01, 2013 10:12 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] OT - Mobile phones

On 2/1/2013 7:43 PM, ve1al@... wrote:
> That's why I have a mobile phone, Paul. I would certainly hope you
> have one also.
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No, no cell phone, no Android, no Blackberry, no i(anything.) I have a landline phone with 3 outlets throughout the house. No call display, no call waiting, no answering machine, etc. One of them is circa 1980 rotary dial phone with an annoyingly loud mechanical set of bells that drives my kids nuts. I also have a wind up alarm clock.
Both work when the power goes out.

I do have several 7 computers and a few radios, but I drew the line at pagers and cell phones. In the 1990s they tried to make me carry a cell phone at work. Thankfully this was the time when the media was hyping up the linkage for cell phones to brain tumours. (I think that has been subsequently dis-proven.) Either way, I used the safety hazard excuse to get rid of it, and I never got a personal one. When I go to bed at night, I turn the ringers off on my phones, and turn them back on in the AM.

I communicate via Ham radio and email. I talk to my wife and kids face to face when I can find them. Why would I want a cell phone? It would be a leash around my ankle, and an extra bill to pay every month.

73, Paul VE1DX

Sent from my homebrew desktop PC

Yahoo! Groups Links

20545. RE: [DX-IS] LoTW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-02 04:00:25 UTC
From: VE1AL
Topic: 799 Message: 20545

No Dave, I don't. Do you?

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20546. Cluster question

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-02 04:06:34 UTC
From: John G.
Topic: 20546 Message: 20546

I use the DX summit internet cluster for my spotting, except when it goes down, then I use eham.net. It seems from the recent discussion that many people use the VE7CC cluster. What is the advantage of it over DX summit?

John AF5CC

20547. RE: [DX-IS] LoTW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-02 04:11:15 UTC
From: ve1al@...
Topic: 799 Message: 20547

Anxiety? Not a problem here, Bob.

Curmudgeon? I've known for years that I am the penultimate curmudgeon and if you look in the dictionary I'm pretty sure my picture is there. Everyone I know will confirm that I am a curmudgeon. I don't have a wife but if I did I'm sure she would also confirm that I am curmudgeonly.

Me complain about LoTW as a way of exchanging confirmations? Absolutely and totally incorrect. I think LoTW is a wonderful concept and I have over 11,000 confirmations. My complaints center on the inability to access the system. And today, when it finally got up and running again, I had my first opportunity to test the speed at which the system is now operating. I was amazed and delighted.

And yes, I got three band countries for January: HK1MW on 12M, TZ6BB on 17M and Z31RQ on 15M. And it is just the beginning of the month. Think what the next 26 days might bring.

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Sent: Friday, February 01, 2013 11:55 PM
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Good Grief Al !!!

What would have happened if you couldn't have made your "JAN Upload" until tomorrow ???

Was the world going to stop turning ???

Were they going to fine you 5 DXCC entities for not having made you upload on time ???

LoTW is a great deal when comparing to any other way of QSL'ing and yet you always seem to find new complaints.

Maybe your Dr. could prescribe something for your anxiety, we all could use some of them.

My wife tells that I am an old curmudgeon frequently, what your wife have to say on the subject ???

Last question, did you get anything new for January ???

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Bob, K1VU

At 06:39 PM 2/1/2013, you wrote:
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20548. Re: [DX-IS] Cluster question

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-02 04:27:42 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 20546 Message: 20548

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73, Paul VE1DX

20549. RE: [DX-IS] LoTW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-02 05:42:09 UTC
From: Dave AA6YQ
Topic: 799 Message: 20549

So you accused the ARRL of lying with no evidence that their prediction was dishonest. Case closed.

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of VE1AL
Sent: Friday, February 01, 2013 11:00 PM
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And yes, I am glad ARRL has started, albeit somewhat later than they should have -- or even never have -- informing those of us who
are interested just what is happening. But they're certainly not yet perfectly transparent.

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20550. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-02 14:01:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 20550

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:Issued: 2013 Feb 02 1214 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
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SIDC URSIGRAM 30202
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 02 Feb 2013, 0933UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 02 Feb 2013 until 04 Feb 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Quiet conditions (<50% probability of C-class flares)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 02 Feb 2013 10CM FLUX: 106 / AP: 013
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COMMENT: Catania sunspot groups 78 (NOAA AR 1665) and 79 (NOAA AR 1667)
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the northern hemisphere, although at a high latitude reached the central
meridian. Geomagnetic influence is possible in a few days. There is a
small probability for a glancing blow of the filament that erupted on
Jan 31, 06:00UT. In case of arrival, unsettled to active conditions are
possible.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 049, BASED ON 09 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 1 Feb 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 063
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 104
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 013
AK WINGST : 005
ESTIMATED AP : 004
ESTIMATED ISN : 041, BASED ON 17 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
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20551. Re: [DX-IS] Cluster question

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-02 14:21:56 UTC
From: Phil & Anne Irons
Topic: 20546 Message: 20551

And on top of that, if you use DXLab Suite, you get both VE1DXI and DX Summit with Spotcollector!

Note: This Shameless Plug NOT paid for by AA6YQ!

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20552. RE: [DX-IS] LoTW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-02 14:33:22 UTC
From: VE1AL
Topic: 799 Message: 20552

You, sir, like me, are entitled to your opinion.

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20553. Re: OT - Mobile phones

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-02 15:51:33 UTC
From: ve7tk
Topic: 799 Message: 20553

..... and I thought I was alone! Thanks Paul! I think you and I are the only people in NA who don't have cell phones!

I was on a 24 hour a day pager for MANY years. The fact that I am not tethered to a cell phone or a pager has been quite refreshing since I retired!

73, Rick
VE7TK

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, Paul M Dunphy wrote:
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> On 2/1/2013 7:43 PM, ve1al@... wrote:
> > That's why I have a mobile phone, Paul. I would certainly hope you have
> > one also.
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> No, no cell phone, no Android, no Blackberry, no i(anything.) I
> have a landline phone with 3 outlets throughout the house. No call
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> circa 1980 rotary dial phone with an annoyingly loud mechanical set of
> bells that drives my kids nuts. I also have a wind up alarm clock.
> Both work when the power goes out.
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> I do have several 7 computers and a few radios, but I drew the line
> at pagers and cell phones. In the 1990s they tried to make me carry a
> cell phone at work. Thankfully this was the time when the media was
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> has been subsequently dis-proven.) Either way, I used the safety hazard
> excuse to get rid of it, and I never got a personal one. When I go to
> bed at night, I turn the ringers off on my phones, and turn them back on
> in the AM.
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> I communicate via Ham radio and email. I talk to my wife and kids
> face to face when I can find them. Why would I want a cell phone? It
> would be a leash around my ankle, and an extra bill to pay every month.
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> 73, Paul VE1DX
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> Sent from my homebrew desktop PC
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20554. Re: [DX-IS] Cluster question

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-02 23:30:47 UTC
From: John G.
Topic: 20546 Message: 20554

Hi Paul,

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20555. Re: Cluster question

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-03 03:50:11 UTC
From: w8jmf
Topic: 20546 Message: 20555

I used DXWatch primarily. The filtering abilities seem to be the best for me of any of Web Clusters I've looked at. DX Summit is useful for finding older history though.

73 de KT8D, John

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> I don't know enough about DX Summit to compare it to a traditional
> DX Cluster. All I know is it is web based and popular with a lot of
> users. DX Clusters are the traditional way of sharing DX information
> going back 20-25 years to the days of packet radio. They have evolved to
> use the Internet but retain much of the same look and feel as they did
> 20 years ago.
>
> Rather than a number of people give you their opinion one way or
> the other, why not got here:
>
> http://www.ve7cc.net/
>

> Download CC User (the client telnet program that sits on your PC.)
> Configure it to connect to VE7CC-1 (in British Columbia) or VE1DXI (in
> my home in Nova Scotia.) These are two of many DX Cluster "nodes."
> Pick another one if you like . . . they all will give you the same spots
> unless you set up filters to customize them for your use.
>
> Try it for a few days or a week. Then you can decide if a web
> based DX sources such as DX Summit or a traditional DX Cluster like
> VE7CC-1 or VR1DXI are more to your liking. They will all give you the
> same information, so I suspect it will be a matter of personal preference.
>
> 73, Paul VE1DX
>

20556. RE: [DX-IS] Hacked Email Account

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-03 04:11:44 UTC
From: John P.
Topic: 20535 Message: 20556

Thanks,
  Yes, Yahoo sucks with the security.
   I have changed my password and set other security measures in place.
  Thanks.
--- On Fri, 2/1/13, KQ8M <kq8m@...> wrote:

From: KQ8M <kq8m@...>
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Hacked Email Account
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Friday, February 1, 2013, 8:35 PM

Just change your Password and keep the old addresses. 73,Tim Herrick, KQ8MCharter Member North Coast Contesterskq8m@... AR-Cluster V6 kq8m.no-ip.orgUser Ports: 23, 7373 with local skimmer, 7374 without local skimmerServer Ports: V6 3607, V4 Active 3605, V4 Passive 3606 From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of dale cole
Sent: Friday, February 01, 2013 8:19 PM
To: dx-is@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] Hacked Email Account   My email k9ttt at comcast dot net, and also dhc4fun at yahoo dot com have been hacked.My new account is dchamguy at att dot netPlease take note.....no "hi" messages from themsri......Dale K8TS

20557. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-03 14:01:04 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 20557

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:Issued: 2013 Feb 03 1254 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30203
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 03 Feb 2013, 1243UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 03 Feb 2013 until 05 Feb 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >= 50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 03 Feb 2013 10CM FLUX: 114 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 04 Feb 2013 10CM FLUX: 115 / AP: 013
PREDICTIONS FOR 05 Feb 2013 10CM FLUX: 115 / AP: 006
COMMENT: Catania sunspot group 78 (NOAA AR 1665) and 79 (NOAA AR 1667)
produced several C-flares since yesterday. The probability for more
C-flares is slightly above 50%. The geomagnetic conditions were
unsettled. This was probably caused by the small equatorial coronal
hole. Another coronal hole in the northern hemisphere at high latitude
can cause again unsettled conditions from tomorrow, Feb 4 onwards.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 052, BASED ON 08 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 2 Feb 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 112
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 019
AK WINGST : 010
ESTIMATED AP : 011
ESTIMATED ISN : 047, BASED ON 19 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
END
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20558. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1098

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-03 19:08:39 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 20558 Message: 20558

SB DX @ WW < KB8NW $OPDX.1098
Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin No. 1098

The Ohio/Penn DX PacketCluster
DX Bulletin No. 1098
BID: $OPDX.1098
February 4, 2013
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 27th-Jan, through Sunday, 3rd-February there were 229 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5A, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5V, 5W, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9X, 9Y, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C5, C6, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, D6, DL, DU, E5/s, E6, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FH, FK, FM, FO, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HI, HK, HK0/a, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J5, J6, J7, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JX, JY, K, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OJ0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ7, PY, PY0F, PZ, R1FJ, S2, S5, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T5, T7, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TN, TR, TT, TY, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V3, V4, V5, V6, V7, V8, VE, VK, VP2V, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YK, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, Z8, ZA, ZB, ZD7, ZD8, ZF, ZK3, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

2013 FD PACKET NOW AVAILABLE. The ARRL states, "It's that time of year again -- time to start gearing up for ARRL Field Day, June 22-23, 2013! ARRL's flagship operating event -- always held the fourth full weekend in June -- brings together new and experienced hams for 24 hours of

operating fun. For the complete announcement, go to:
http://www.arrl.org/news/view/2013-field-day-packet-now-available
For the FD packet: http://www.arrl.org/field-day

3D2/R, ROTUMA. Antoine, 3D2AG, will once again be active as 3D2AG/p from Rotuma (OC-060) between late March/April. He states, "Now looking for spare parts for my 14-years-old ICOM 706-MKII, which is faulty (no TX). If anyone can help please contact me, so that I can be operational on 6m from Rotuma. Thanks in advance." His E-amil address is on QRZ.com. He also mentions, "QSL direct only to Fiji address. Please include at least two green stamps or one IRC with AIRMAIL SAE for first class return postage. After intense lobbying by 3D2AG, IRCs are now exchangeable at the normal UPU rate in Fiji. Please don't forget to put an airmail label on your return envelope, and write your country name clearly."

5X, UGANDA (Reminder). Members of the F6KOP team are expected to be active as 5X8C between February 6-18th, from a location some 20 Km from Entebbe airport.

CORRECTION/OOOPPPSS DEPARTMENT. In OPDX.1097, under "NH0, MARIANA ISLANDS (Update)", we mentioned that YL Miho/JJ2VLY was Joe's/JA1LZR XYL; this is incorrect. It should have read: "JJ2VLY (YL Miho (Yutaka's [JQ2GYU] XYL, also WS2M)".

CT9, MADEIRA ISLANDS. Operators Jozef/OM3GI, Tibor/OM3RM and Julius/OM7JG will be active as CR3A during the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 16-17th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via OM2VL.

D4, CAPE VERDE (Correction/Update). Mats, SM7GIB, will be active as D44TIB from Cape Verde (AF-086) until February 7th (not between February 25th and March 8th). Activity will be holiday style using a K3 into a wire vertical for 160-10 meters. Look for him to be on the radio in the early mornings and evenings - on CW. QSL via his home callsign.

E6, NIUE. Operators Alan/VK4WR and Graeme/VK4FI will be active as E6RQ and E6SG, respectively, from Niue (OC-040) between March 22-29th. Their activity will focus on 6 meters as well as some HF operations. QSL both callsigns via VK4FI.

FG, GUADELOUPE. Oliver, F6ARC, is now active as FG/F6ARC from Guadeloupe (NA-102) until February 14th. Activity will be holiday style with a focus on 40 and 30 meters CW, using wire antennas. QSL via FE11DX, by the Bureau or direct (see QRZ.com).

FS & PJ7, ST. MARTIN AND SINT MAARTEN. Andy, DK5ON, will be active as FS/DK5ON from French St. Martin (NA-105, WLOTA 0383) and PJ7/DK5ON from Dutch Sint Maarten (NA-105, WLOTA 0711, DIFO FS-001) between March 10-29th. Activity will be on 80-6 meters, including 17/12 meters, using SSB, RTTY and PSK. QSL via DK5ON, direct or by the Bureau. No eQSL.

IOTA NEWS.....
AF-019. An international team of operators will be active as IG9Y from

Lampedusa Island between October 17-30th. Operators mentioned
are Khalid/A61BK, Gianni/IT9BUN, Don/JH5GHM, Dale/N3BNA,
Frederic/ON4LG, Frank/ON9CC, Aurelio/PC5A, Romeo/S52RU,
Peter/S54W and Drago/S59A. Activity will be on 160-6 meters
using CW, SSB, and RTTY, with four stations on the air. The
team will be in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th) as
a Multi-2 entry. QSL via ON4LG. An OQRS will be available for
direct and Bureau cards. Visit their Web page at:
http://ig9.ii9p.com

AS-085. Members from the Korea Contest Club will be active as D85C
from Chongsan Island (WLOTA 1602) between June 6-9th. More
details to be forthcoming.

EU-120. Operators Terry/G3VFC, Keith/M0KJA, Fred/M0RFD, Rob/M0VFC,
Dave/M6KOM, Maureen/M6VFC and Richard/2E1EVK will be active
as GX5MW/p from the Isle of Wight (WLOTA 2985) between March
16-23rd. Activity will be on all HF bands and modes. QSL via
M0RFD, direct or by the Bureau.

NA-143. Joe, K5KUA, will once again operate portable from Galveston
Island (USI TX001S, Galveston County, TX) in the Gulf of Mexico
between February 15-17th. Activity will be holiday style on
the HF bands. QSL via K5KUA, direct or by the Bureau.

OC-129. Chris, OE9MON, is now active as DU6/OE9MON from Panay Island.
He is there on holiday with his family, and the length of his
stay is not known. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using
wire antennas. QSL via LZ1JZ, direct, by the Bureau or LoTW.

OC-245. Rohadi, YB6AR, and several other operators will be active
from Bunta Island between February 15-17th. Operators are
expected to use portable callsigns (YB6AR/P etc). Activity
will be on 40/30/20/15/10 meters using SSB and RTTY. They
plan to use five transceivers with 500 watt amps. All their
antennas are homebrew (verticals, yagis and Spiderbeam). QSL
via the operator's instructions.

ISWL CALLSIGNS (For February). The following ISWL club callsigns will be
used throughout the month of February 2013:

GX4BJC/A - Operated from Bream, in Gloucestershire, by Chris, G0SDD.
(/A WAB Square SO60, England, IOTA EU-005 and WLOTA LH-1841)

MX1SWL/A - Operated from Hartford, in Cambridgeshire, by Tom, G3RPV.
(/A WAB Square TL27, England, IOTA EU-005 and WLOTA LH-1841)

ALL QSLs will be handled by Herbie, G6XOU, and NOT the individual
operator. The I.S.W.L. is a member of the European PSK Club. All QSL
info is on <www.iswl.org.uk> or <www.qrz.com> or via <www.eQSL.cc>.
NO LoTW. I.S.W.L. Awards are available to all Hams and SWLs, see
<www.iswl.org.uk> for full details. The eQSL.cc cards ARE welcomed for

their awards.

J8, ST. VINCENT. Dave, G3TBK, will once again be active as J88DR between February 14th and March 11th. Activity will include the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 16-17th) and the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 2-3rd) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. He will also be in the RSGB's 75th Commonwealth Contest (March 9-10th). Activity outside of the contest will be on all HF bands, especially 30/17/12 meters, using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via G3TBK, direct or by the RSGB Bureau.

JD1, OGASAWARA (Update). Three JA operators will be active from Chichijima Island (AS-031) in the Ogasawara group between April 28th and May 5th. The callsigns to be used are JD1BLC (Operator Toshi/JP1IOF) and JD1YBT (World Wide Club station callsign). Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and FM. QSL JD1BLC via JP1IOF direct or by the Bureau to JD1BLC. QSL JD1YBT via JP1IOF direct or by the Bureau to JD1YBT. Also, LoTW and an OQRS (via ClubLog) will be available for both callsigns at:
https://secure.clublog.org/logsearch/JD1YBT
https://secure.clublog.org/logsearch/JD1BLC

KP2, U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS. Operators Philip/KT3Y, Frederick/K9VV and Robert/WP2XX will be active from the KP2M rental shack on St. Croix Island (NA-106) during the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 16-17th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via AI4U (DIRECT ONLY) OR LoTW. NO BUREAU QSLs.

KP2, U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS. Look for operators and callsigns Munekazu/JI3DNN (KP2/KI3DNN), Yoshiaki "Aki"/JR3QFB (KP2/W3JH), Yoshiro/JL3SIK (KP2/K2JA), Takeshi "TAKE"/JS6RRR and KP2/NH2KY (Club callsign) to be active from the U.S. Virgin Island between March 13-19th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY, PSK31 and JT65A. Check QRZ.com for QSL details.

KP2, U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS. Before his JD1YBT and JD1BLC Ogasawara operations (see JD1 above), Toshi, JP1IOF, will be active as WH7P/KP2 from U.S. Virgin Islands between April 3-9th. Activity will be on all bands and modes. QSL via JP1IOF, by the Bureau or direct. Also, LoTW and an OQRS (via ClubLog) will be available at: https://secure.clublog.org/logsearch/WH7P/KP2

LX, LUXEMBOURG. Philippe/LX2A and a team of operators will be active as LX7I from Eschdorf during the CQWW WPX RTTY Contest (February 9-10th) as a Multi-2 entry, and the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 16-17th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via LX2A. QSL via LX2A. Visit the following Web page at:
http://www.lx2a.com

MJ, JERSEY. Richrad, M5RIC, will be active as GJ2A for the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 2-3rd). QSL route (See http://www.qrz.com/db).

NODXA'S MEMBER RTTY ACHIEVEMENT. The ARRL RTTY Honor roll contains 124 callsigns. Northern Ohio DX Association (NODXA) member "Scotty", WK3N, joined their ranks this week with his approved submission bringing him a total of 334 confirmed on RTTY. Scotty is the second NODXA member to achieve this status, Don, K8MFO, was our first.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (February 4-10th)....
Feb/04th AN Feb/07th AN Feb/09th AN
Feb/05th AN Feb/08th AN Feb/10th AN
Feb/06th AN

SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS/INDEXES AND GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE
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NORMALITY GEOMAG K Values Alpha
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AN - Above Normal Quiet K=0-1 0-7
HN - High Normal Unsettled K=2 8-15
LN - Low Normal Active K=3 16-29
BN - Below Normal Minor Storm K=4 30-49
DIS - Disturbed Major Storm K=5 50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed Severe Storm K=6-9 100-400

MU0, GUERNSEY. Operators Peter/2E0SQL, Louis/2U0FER, Mark/M0MJH, Iain/
M0PCB, Dan/M0TCB and Steve/M0SPF will be active as MU0HTJ from Guernsey
(EU-114, WLOTA 0013) for the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 17-18th). QSL via
2E0SQL, direct or by the Bureau. For more info and updates, visit their
Blog page at: http://blog.hamtests.co.uk

P4, ARUBA. Howard, WA2NHA, will once again be active as P4/WA2NHA between
March 3-17th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters mainly CW. QSL via his
home callsign.

PJ2, CURACAO. Ulf, DL5AXX, will be active as PJ2/DL5AXX from Curacao
(SA-099, WLOTA LH-0942) between February 24th and March 11th. Activity
will be holiday style on 80-10 meters using mainly CW with some RTTY.
QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau. He does prefer his
OQRS at: http://www.dl5axx.de/dxlog/default.aspx?Logid=75

PJ2, CURACAO. A group of operators will activate PJ2T, the Caribbean
Contesting Consortium's (CCC) Signal Point Station on Curacao (SA-099,
WLOTA LH-0942) between February 13-20th. Activity will be on all bands
and modes, but their main operations will be during the ARRL DX CW Contest
(February 16-17th) as a Multi-Op entry. QSL PJ2T via LoTW or W3HNK. Look
for operators to possibly be active before and after the contest using
their own PJ2/homecall callsigns. QSL via their home callsigns unless
where indicated. Operators mentioned are John/K9QVB, Howie/K9KM, Kelly/
N0VD (via W3HNK), Mal/NP2L, Andy/W9NJY (via WD9DZV), Bill/W9VA and
Geoff/PJ2DX. Some operators will use LoTW.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated February 3rd)

3D2OU via N7OU EH3FCM via EA3HP OE2013WLE via OE6WLE
5B/SQ2MGM via SQ2MGM G5W via G3BJ OO7W via ON4AUP
A65BM via W4JS GM100RSGB via M0FVC OU2I via OZ1BII
AN1DJ via EC1DJ HK1X via EA7FTR OX3XR via PA3249 (d/L/e)
CR2V via HB9CRV HR2/NP3J via EA5GL PT5T via K3IRV
CT7/EA1AF via EA1AF I/DM1CM via DM1CM (L/e) RA4HKM/0 via RW4HW
DB100AWPB via DO6NIK J42T via SV7LOS SU0ERA via SU1SK

DL8XO/HI9 via DL8XO KH2RU/KP4 via NP3O (d) TC150RC via TA1HZ
DU6/OE9MON via LZ1JZ LZ13FDAY via LZ-Bureau TM850N via F4GFE
DU9AQQ via EA5GL OE2013PEN via OE5PEN TZ6BB via W3HNK
ED1RCR via EA1RCR OE2013SPW via OE8SPW ZF2BJ via ZF2BJ
EG3ICR via EA3EF OE2013VSW via OE3VSW
(e) eQSL only (d) direct only (B) Bureau only (L) LoTW only

PA3249: Harry de Jong, Broekdijk 59, 7695TC Bruchterveld, The Netherlands

4W3DX & 4W6MM QSL ROUTE CHANGE. Phil, G3SWH, has been appointed as QSL Manager for Thor's, TF4M, operations from Timor Leste between 2000 and 2003 as 4W3DX and 4W6MM. There are log searches at:
http://www.g3swh.org.uk/4w3dx.html
http://www.g3swh.org.uk/4w6mm.html

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 3V8BB, 9J3A, 9Y4D, CT3DZ, CT8/EA5KA, CU3EJ, EA7TG, HK1R, J77A, JA6JNF, KL7J, KP2/K5WE, KV4FZ, LY7Z, OH8A, PJ2T, PY0FO, RV6A, SN3R, T77C, TZ7BB, VA2EW, VE3EJ, VE3FU, VE6BMX, VP2MSW, VP2V/K6TOP, VY2CM, YS3CW, YV6BFE, YY4DNN and ZX2F

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3D2C, 5W1SA, 5Z4/DL7UCX, 7O6T, 7P8D, 7W50I, A92GR, AH0/N0AT, AH0KT, BV7GC, C6AVA, CP4BT, D64K, FM5BH, FR4NT, HH2/9A7GAE, J79WE, JD1BMH, LZ1ANA, PJ4LS, PJ5J, V26E, V26HS, V84SMD, WP2XX, ZD9UW and ZS6DJD

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 4O/OK1IEC, 4O/OK4ZW, 5R8HL, 5R8IC, 6W1RY, C50C, CN2DJ, ET3TK, EY8/F4EGS, FG/F6BFH, FG4NO, FG8NY, FK/F4BKV, FO8RZ, FR1FF, FY/F6CKD, HB0/F5PAC, HB0/OK1XD, HB0/OK6DJ/P, HR1RTF, IS0R, JW/F8DVD, KP2/AA1TR, MU/F5CWU, MU/F5NHJ, OH0/WS4T, OX/OK1JST, OX4OK, PJ4L, SV9/OK1AMM/P, TB0DX, TC03W, TC07DX, TC098A, TJ3AY, TK/F8DZY, TK12IOTA, TO5A, TO11A/P, TT8PK and ZA/OK1MBZ

T6, AFGHANISTAN. Eric, K9GY, will be active as T6MO from the Helmand Province (Grid MM21) during the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 16-17th) as a Single-Op/Low-Power entry. He states that he will probably be active during the first 28 hours or so, and it may be a Single-Band effort. QSL via LoTW or to K9GY (see QRZ.com) direct or by the Bureau. ADDED NOTE: Eric will also be active during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 30-31st) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (possibly 15 or 10m)/Low-Power.

TX5, CLIPPERTON ISLAND (Update). The March TX5K Clipperton Island DX-pedition Web page now has a new URL: http://tx5k.org
The current updated list of operators are Bob/KK6EK (Organizer, Expedition Leader), Christian/DL1MGB (Co-organizer), Walt/N6XG (Logistics), Ed/KE3D, Igor/US0VA (Doctor), Robert/SP5XVY, Dietmar/DL3DXX, Dave/WJ2O, Luis/XE1L, Mathias/DJ2HD, Mike/WA6O, Yann/F1NGP, Andreas/DL5CW, Roman/US5WDX, Rick/KF4ZZ, Heye/DJ9RR, Lance/W7GJ (6m), Tom/DL5LYM, Jef/DD2CW, Giovanni/I5JHW, Ken/OZ1IKY, Markus/DJ7EO, Gerhard/DJ5IW and Carlos/NP4IW (Logistics). Louis-Philippe Loncke will be there for documentation. There are four honorary team members: Chod Harris/VP2ML (SK - DXpedition Dedication), Yasuo "Zorro" Miyazawa/JH1AJT (Honorary DXpedition Leader), Conrad Limbaugh (Expedition Dedication) and Dan Gotshall (Honorary Expedition Leader).

The "Technology Development" team members are: Bob/N2OO is the QSL Manager, Peter/W6OP and Dean/N7XG are Software Development, Rich/KY6R (Social Media), Alan/AD6E (Satellite Communications), Dean/N6BV (Radio Propagation Modeling) and Felipe (Internet Data). Regional Coordinators (pilots) are: Gary/DF2RG (Chief Pilot, Germany), Marcus/DL9RCF (Germany), Stan/KH6CG (Hawaii), Col/MM0NDX (Scotland), Cesar/PY2YP (Brazil), Andre/V51B (Namibia), Bill/VK4FW (Australia), XE2HWJ (Mexico) and Rex/NR6M (USA). There will be four members on the Scientific Program team, and one is a ham - Alain/F6BFH. The vessel Shogun will leave from San Diego on February 19th. Schedule/Tenative activity dates are between February 28th and March 10th.

V6, MICRONESIA. Mike, WB7DXA, will be active as V63DXA in Micronesia between February 21st and March 21st. While there, he plans to operate from the islands of Kosrae (OC-059), Pohnpei (OC-010) and possibly Mokil and Pingelap Atolls (OC-226). He informs OPDX [edited], "I am sailing on a boat with a marine radio. The captain believes it works on 20 meters and possibly some additional bands. He isn't a ham so he can't try it out. So I am hoping that it works out when I get there. As it stands I arrive into Kosrae on February 23rd. Then leave Pohnpei on March 22nd. I plan to operate from Kosrae for about a week and then on to the Atolls (OC-226) on the way to Pohnpei, but it all depends on WX and other factors. As far as bands, I think 20 meters phone is what I am looking to operate mostly. I'll bring a key for CW just in case I can get it going. The other bands will need to be determined after I get there." Mike plans on using LoTW as the primary QSL vehicle, but you can send cards direct to him or by the Bureau.

VP2, MONTSERRAT. Will, AA4NC, will be active as VP2ME from Montserrat (NA-103, WLOTA 1475) between February 13-20th. Activity will include an entry in the ARRL CW DX Contest (February 16-17th). Outside the contest, he will be on RTTY, CW, and SSB mainly on the 30/17/12 meter bands. QSL via LoTW.

VP2, U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS (NA-106). Matt, K0BBC, (along with his XYL Valeriw, K0VAL) will be heading south and will once again be active as KP2/K0BBC from the Hull Bay Cottages on St. Thomas Island (USI VI004S) between February 26th and March 5th. Activity will be holiday style on the HF bands. Matt plans to be active in the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 2-3rd). QSL via K0BBC, direct, by the Bureau or LoTW.

WP2, U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS (NA-106). Operators Stan/K8MJZ, Fred/NP2X, Robert/WP2XX and possibly others will be active from the Island Villa Contest Club WP2Z superstation on St. Croix during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 30-31st) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via KU9C.

WRTC-2014 NEWS RELEASE #15 (WRTC2014 Names Judging Committee). An excerpt from a press release dated January 31st states: "WRTC2014, Inc., host of the 2014 World Radiosport Team Championship competition is pleased to announce the judging committee that will be responsible for certifying the results of the competition. David Sumner, K1ZZ, will serve as Chief Judge leading the committee of Nodir Tursoon-Zadeh, EY8MM, Don Field,

G3XTT, Dan Street, K1TO, and Dick Norton, N6AA." To read the whole press release, go to: http://www.wrtc2014.org/wrtc2014-names-judging-committee

XR2, CHILE (Chilean Lighthouse). Manuel, CE2UNE, will be active as XR2BH from the Puerto Aldea (Caleta Hornilla) Lighthouse (NAC 133, ARLHS CHI-110, Admiralty G1896.20) between February 20-24th which also includes the "Weekend South American Lighthouses" event (February 22-24th). The beacon is located in Tongoy Bay, near the village of Puerto Aldea, Elqui Province, Coquimbo Region, Chile (WW Loc. FF49EQ). QSL XR2BH via CE2AA (QRZ.com).

XT, BURKINA FASO (Update to OPDX.1097/Callsign Change). Members of the "Italian DXpedition Team" will be active as XT2TT (not XT1T as first announced) from Ouagadougou (Grid Loc. IK92fi), Burkina Faso, between February 21st and March 6th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL I2YSB for direct QSLs and IK2CIO for Bureau QSLs (no E-mail request please). A OQRS will be available for direct cards only. Now available on their Web page is a survey for both bands and modes needs. The official Web site is: http://www.i2ysb.com/idt
Official forum is: http://www.hamradioweb.org

XU, CAMBODIA. John, KF0RQ, will once again be active as XU7ACQ but from a new location (east and west Cambodia) between February 10th and March 18th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. He is still looking for Delaware and South Dakota for his WAS. QSL via KF0RQ. Online logsearch is available at ClubLog.

Z8, SOUTH SUDAN (Update). Massimo, IZ0EGB (ex-9L1MS, EL2GB), informs OPDX that he is now living in Juba, South Sudan, and plans to be on the air as Z81B soon. He will be using 600 watts into wire antennas for 40-6 meters, and operate on SSB and the Digital modes. Massimo adds that the equipment is installed already and was expected to be on the air this past week. Occasionally, Massimo will operate from other locations using only 100 watts into a T2FD (a terminated, tilted and folded dipole) operating SSB only. QSL via IZ0EGB: Alessandro Colasanti, Via Pia Nalli 30, 00134 Rome, Italy. Massimo states, "Colleagues should please avoid sending IRC coupons. Alessandro will periodically upload my log onto LoTW and ClubLog."

ZF, CAYMAN ISLANDS. Dave, N4QS, will be active as ZF2DP from Georgetown, Grand Cayman (NA-016, WLOTA 1042), between February 8-12th. Activity will be from the ZF1A club station and running low power using his Elecraft K3. He plans to be active during the CQ WPX RTTY Contest (February 9-10th), and will also operate some CW and SSB on the days before and after the contest -- primarily on the WARC bands. He will attempt to upload his log to ClubLog in real-time using the N1MM Gateway. You can see if you are in his log by clicking here: https://secure.clublog.org/logsearch/ZF2DP QSL via LoTW or his home callsign.

ZS8, MARION ISLAND. There has been an announcement by various sources that a second operator will be active from Marion Island. Pierre, ZS1HF, is reporting that Carson, ZR6CWI, has been appointed as the Space Weather Engineer on Marion Island between April 2013 and May 2014. Carson has just completed a one year work assignment at the SANAE (South African

National Antarctic Expedition) Antarctic Base and is expected to be back
in Cape Town on February 19th. Carson informed Pierre that he will be
active from Marion Island over this period. No callsign has been allocated
yet. His QSL Manager will be ZS1HF/ZS8M. At this stage SSB only. No further
info is available. Stay tuned!

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20559. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-04 14:01:04 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 20559

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:Issued: 2013 Feb 04 1325 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30204
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 04 Feb 2013, 1228UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 04 Feb 2013 until 06 Feb 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Quiet conditions (<50% probability of C-class flares)
GEOMAGNETISM : Active conditions expected (A>=20 or K=4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 04 Feb 2013 10CM FLUX: 114 / AP: 005
PREDICTIONS FOR 05 Feb 2013 10CM FLUX: 115 / AP: 012
PREDICTIONS FOR 06 Feb 2013 10CM FLUX: 115 / AP: 013
COMMENT: Four C-class flares were detected during the past 24 hours,
and the strongest one was C8.4 flare peaking at 06:10 UT, on February 3.
The C-class flares are possible, in particular from the Catania sunspot
group 79 (NOAA AR 1667). The interplanetary magnetic field magnitude is
about 5 nT. The Earth is currently under the influence of a slow solar
wind with the speed of 350 km/s. The low-latitude coronal hole in the
northern hemisphere has passed the central meridian and we expect
arrival of the fast solar wind late on February 5. We expect quiet to
possibly active geomagnetic conditions in the next 48 hours.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 022, BASED ON 07 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 3 Feb 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 111
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 008
AK WINGST : 006
ESTIMATED AP : 005
ESTIMATED ISN : 053, BASED ON 15 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
END
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20560. moderator please

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-05 02:29:40 UTC
From: dchamguy@att.net
Topic: 20560 Message: 20560

please contact me off board
Thanks
Dale K8TS

20561. Re: [DX-IS] moderator please

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-05 02:32:03 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 20560 Message: 20561

On 2/4/2013 10:29 PM, dchamguy@... wrote:
> please contact me off board
> Thanks
> Dale K8TS
>
Hi Dale,

What's up?

73, Paul VE1DX

20562. Re: [DX-IS] moderator please

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-05 02:42:50 UTC
From: dale cole
Topic: 20560 Message: 20562

Did my new email address somehow fall through the cracks when I changed isp? I did the usual "unscribe" "suscribe deal--but have only seen a couple of emails posted. Normally the board is fairly active.
Dale K8TS

From: Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@ve1dx.net>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Mon, February 4, 2013 9:33:21 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] moderator please

On 2/4/2013 10:29 PM, dchamguy@att.net wrote:
> please contact me off board
> Thanks
> Dale K8TS
>
Hi Dale,

What's up?

73, Paul VE1DX

20563. Re: [DX-IS] moderator please

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-05 02:46:16 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 20560 Message: 20563

On 2/4/2013 10:42 PM, dale cole wrote:
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> Did my new email address somehow fall through the cracks when I
> changed isp? I did the usual "unscribe" "suscribe deal--but have only
> seen a couple of emails posted. Normally the board is fairly active.
> Dale K8TS
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I don't think so, Dale. I am sending this to the entire list . .
. if you get it, all should be OK. Last day or so it hasn't been too
active. There are a couple of DX and solar bulletins every day. Have
you been getting them?

73, Paul VE1DX

20564. Re: [DX-IS] moderator please

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-05 02:50:43 UTC
From: dale cole
Topic: 20560 Message: 20564

yes, got those.....thanks for confirming
Dale K8TS

From: Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Mon, February 4, 2013 9:46:46 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] moderator please

On 2/4/2013 10:42 PM, dale cole wrote:
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> Did my new email address somehow fall through the cracks when I
> changed isp? I did the usual "unscribe" "suscribe deal--but have only
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active. There are a couple of DX and solar bulletins every day. Have
you been getting them?

73, Paul VE1DX

20565. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-05 14:01:05 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 20565

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:Issued: 2013 Feb 05 1252 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30205
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 05 Feb 2013, 1210UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 05 Feb 2013 until 07 Feb 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Quiet conditions (<50% probability of C-class flares)
GEOMAGNETISM : Active conditions expected (A>=20 or K=4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 05 Feb 2013 10CM FLUX: 107 / AP: 011
PREDICTIONS FOR 06 Feb 2013 10CM FLUX: 104 / AP: 014
PREDICTIONS FOR 07 Feb 2013 10CM FLUX: 106 / AP: 006
COMMENT: The strongest flare in last 24 hours was a C6.3 flare peaking
at 08:19 UT, on February 5. The flare originated from the NOAA AR 1669,
situated at the moment close to the East solar limb. We expect more
C-class flares, in particular from this active region. The
interplanetary magnetic field is about 3 nT. The solar wind speed is
stable having value of about 350 km/s. The small low-latitude coronal
hole in the southern hemisphere has reached the central meridian. We
expect arrival of the associated fast flow early on February 9. The fast
flow associated with the low-latitude coronal hole in the northern
hemisphere should arrive late today or early tomorrow. The geomagnetic
conditions in the next 48 hours should be quiet to possibly active.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 028, BASED ON 12 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 4 Feb 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 039
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 107
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 011
AK WINGST : 006
ESTIMATED AP : 005
ESTIMATED ISN : 024, BASED ON 18 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
END
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20566. Re: Cluster question

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-05 21:22:47 UTC
From: ve7cc
Topic: 20546 Message: 20566

If you connect to VE1DXI you also get DX Summit spots, but with the majority of the "bad" ones removed. About 15% of the spots on VE1DXI originate on DX Summit. On the other hand, about 85% of DX Summit's spots come from the cluster network.

Lee VE7CC

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, Phil & Anne Irons wrote:
>
> And on top of that, if you use DXLab Suite, you get both VE1DXI and DX Summit
> with Spotcollector!
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> Note: This Shameless Plug NOT paid for by AA6YQ!
>
> 73,
>
> Phil/VE1BVD

20567. 6V6V Operation

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-05 22:25:15 UTC
From: Richard Solomon
Topic: 20567 Message: 20567

Has anyone received cards from this operation last November ?

Tnx, Dick, W1KSZ

20568. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-06 14:01:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 20568

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:Issued: 2013 Feb 06 1339 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30206
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 06 Feb 2013, 1208UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 06 Feb 2013 until 08 Feb 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Quiet conditions (<50% probability of C-class flares)
GEOMAGNETISM : Active conditions expected (A>=20 or K=4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 06 Feb 2013 10CM FLUX: 105 / AP: 010
PREDICTIONS FOR 07 Feb 2013 10CM FLUX: 103 / AP: 012
PREDICTIONS FOR 08 Feb 2013 10CM FLUX: 100 / AP: 005
COMMENT: Four C-class flares were detected during last 24 hours. The
C-class flares are possible, in particular from the Catania sunspot
group 79 (NOAA AR 1667). The strongest observed flare was C8.7 flare
peaking at 00:21 UT, on February 6. The long duration flare originated
from the Catania sunspot group 79 (NOAA AR 1667) and was associated with
the type II radio burst and the CME. Due to the data gap it is not
possible to determine when the CME first time appeared in the SOHO/LASCO
C2 field of view. The C1.3 flare peaking at 03:16 UT on February 6, was
associated with the partial halo CME. From the currently available data
it seems that the CME was directed somewhat northward of the Sun-Earth
line. Therefore, only arrival of a CME-driven shock at the Earth is
expected. The additional information will be possible once the data are
available. The interplanetary magnetic field magnitude is about 4 nT.
The solar wind speed is still low, having value of about 320 km/s. The
fast flow from the small low-latitude coronal hole in the southern
hemisphere might arrive on February 9. The fast flow associated with the
low-latitude coronal hole in the northern hemisphere should arrive
today. We expect quiet to possibly active geomagnetic conditions in the
next 48 hours.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 029, BASED ON 08 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 5 Feb 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 105
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 004
AK WINGST : 003
ESTIMATED AP : 002
ESTIMATED ISN : 027, BASED ON 16 STATIONS.
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NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
END

20569. test

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-07 00:22:51 UTC
From: dale cole
Topic: 1 Message: 20569

test
Dale K8TS

20570. Re: [DX-IS] test

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-07 00:31:56 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 1 Message: 20570

On 2/6/2013 8:22 PM, dale cole wrote:
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> test
> Dale K8TS
>

Test seems to work, Dale . . . not traffic. No DXpeditions, I guess.

73, Paul VE1DX

20571. RE: [DX-IS] test

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-07 01:29:15 UTC
From: KQ8M
Topic: 1 Message: 20571

Darn, and I didn't study!

73,

Tim Herrick, KQ8M

Charter Member North Coast Contesters

kq8m@...

AR-Cluster V6 kq8m.no-ip.org

User Ports: 23, 7373 with local skimmer, 7374 without local skimmer

Server Ports: V6 3607, V4 Active 3605, V4 Passive 3606

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Paul M Dunphy
Sent: Wednesday, February 06, 2013 7:32 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] test

On 2/6/2013 8:22 PM, dale cole wrote:
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> test
> Dale K8TS
>

Test seems to work, Dale . . . not traffic. No DXpeditions, I guess.

73, Paul VE1DX

20572. Re: [DX-IS] test

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-07 03:46:32 UTC
From: dale cole
Topic: 1 Message: 20572

Well Tim, that was the purpose of the test. When I changed ISP, I had an email forwarding from another site. Therefor every DX-IS message that was posted to the group, was also posted to my email account. It took a little while to figure out, but the test is over. I will now get two copies of this email. :(
Dale K8TS

From: KQ8M <kq8m@...>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wed, February 6, 2013 8:29:28 PM
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] test

Darn, and I didn't study!

73,
Tim Herrick, KQ8M
Charter Member North Coast Contesters
kq8m@...

AR-Cluster V6 kq8m.no-ip.org
User Ports: 23, 7373 with local skimmer, 7374 without local skimmer
Server Ports: V6 3607, V4 Active 3605, V4 Passive 3606

From:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Paul M Dunphy
Sent: Wednesday, February 06, 2013 7:32 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] test

On 2/6/2013 8:22 PM, dale cole wrote:
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> test
> Dale K8TS
>

Test seems to work, Dale . . . not traffic. No DXpeditions, I guess.

73, Paul VE1DX

20573. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-07 14:01:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 20573

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:Issued: 2013 Feb 07 1305 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30207
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 07 Feb 2013, 1233UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 07 Feb 2013 until 09 Feb 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >= 50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 07 Feb 2013 10CM FLUX: 105 / AP: 013
PREDICTIONS FOR 08 Feb 2013 10CM FLUX: 104 / AP: 009
PREDICTIONS FOR 09 Feb 2013 10CM FLUX: 103 / AP: 012
COMMENT: Four sunspot groups were reported by Catania today, and non of
them was particularly active. The flaring activity at the C-class level
is possible, in particular from the newly emerged and fast evolving
Catania sunspot group 80. The solar wind speed is about 360 km/s. The
interplanetary magnetic field magnitude is slightly elevated reaching
the value of about 10 nT. The compression visible in the magnetic field
and density might be indication on the arrival of the fast flow
associated with the low-latitude coronal hole in the northern hemisphere.
The arrival of a CME-driven shock wave associated with the partial-halo
CME on February 6 can be expected on early February 10. We expect quiet
to possibly unsettled geomagnetic conditions in the next 48 hours.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 039, BASED ON 13 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 6 Feb 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 104
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 006
AK WINGST : 001
ESTIMATED AP : 001
ESTIMATED ISN : 029, BASED ON 16 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
END
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20574. ARLD006 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-07 22:32:15 UTC
From: jjreisert@...
Topic: 792 Message: 20574

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ARLD006 DX news

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QST de W1AW
DX Bulletin 6 ARLD006
>From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT February 7, 2013
To all radio amateurs

SB DX ARL ARLD006
ARLD006 DX news

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by NC1L, QRZ DX, The Weekly DX, the OPDX Bulletin, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, DXNL, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

UGANDA, 5X. A large group of operators are QRV as 5X8C until February 18. Activity is with six stations on 160 to 10 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY, and PSK. QSL via F1NGP.

JAMAICA, 6Y. Yuri, VE3DZ will be QRV as 6Y2T as a Single Op/All Band entry in the CQ World Wide WPX RTTY contest. QSL to home call.

PHILIPPINES, DU. Chris, OE9MON, is QRV as DU6/OE9MON from Panay Island, IOTA OC-129. Activity is holiday style on 160 to 6 meters. His length of stay is unknown. QSL via LZ1JZ.

HUNGARY, HA. Special event station HG66MALEV is QRV until march 31 to commemorate the former Hungarian airline MALEV. Activity is on 80 to 10 meters using CW, SSB and various digital modes. QSL direct via HG4I.

GRENADA, J3. Roy, KE4TG is QRV as J38RF until March 8. Activity is on 80 to 10 meters, and possibly 60 meters, using CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL to home call.

GUINEA-BISSAU, J5. A group of operators will be QRV as J52HF from Cumura from February 10 to March 2 while helping with mission work. Activity will be in their spare time on the HF bands, including 6 meters, using SSB. QSL via I3LDP.

GUAM, KH2. Bob, 5B4AGN will be QRV as KH2/G3ZEM from February 9 to 13. Activity will be on 80 to 10 meters and possibly 160 meters. QSL via M0URX.

LUXEMBOURG, LX. A group of operators will be QRV as LX7I from Eschdorf in the CQ World Wide WPX RTTY contest as a Multi-2 entry. They will be a Multi/Single entry in the upcoming ARRL DX CW contest. QSL via LX2A.

MICRONESIA, V6. After his Guam operation, Bob, 5B4AGN will be QRV as V63ZM from Pohnpei, IOTA OC-010, from February 13 to 23. Activity will be on 80 to 10 meters. QSL via M0URX.

MONTSERRAT, VP2M. Will, AA4NC will be QRV as VP2ME from February 13 to 20. Activity will be on the HF bands using CW, SSB and RTTY. This includes an entry in the upcoming ARRL DX CW contest. QSL via operator's instructions.

CAMBODIA, XU. John, KF0RQ will be QRV as XU7ACQ from February 10 to March 18. Activity will be on 80 to 10 meters using CW, SSB and various digital modes. QSL to home call.

SOUTH SUDAN, Z8. Massimo, IZ0EGB is living in Juba and now QRV as Z81B. Activity is on 40 to 6 meters using SSB and various digital modes. He may be active from other areas as well. QSL to home call.

CAYMAN ISLANDS, ZF. Dave, N4QS is QRV as ZF2DP from Georgetown, Grand Cayman, IOTA NA-016, until February 12. Activity is on the HF bands using CW and SSB. This includes being active in the CQ World Wide WPX RTTY contest. QSL to home call.

TOKELAU, ZK3. Dieter, DJ2EH is QRV as ZK3T until February 20. Activity may be holiday style on 160 to 10 meters using mostly CW with some RTTY. QSL to home call.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The CQ World Wide RTTY WPX Contest, QRP CW Fox Hunt, SKCC Weekend Sprintathon, NCCC Sprint CW Ladder, YLRL YL-OM Contest, YL-ISSB CW QSO Party, SARL Field Day Contest, Asia-Pacific Spring CW Sprint, Dutch PACC Contest, KCJ Topband CW Contest, Louisiana QSO Party, OMISS QSO Party, New Hampshire QSO Party, FISTS Winter CW Sprint, RSGB 1st 1.8 MHz Contest and the AWA Amplitude Modulation QSO Party will certainly keep contesters busy this upcoming weekend. The ARRL School Club Roundup runs from February 11 to 15.

The Classic Phone Exchange is scheduled for February 11. The NAQCC Straight Key/Bug CW Sprint, CWops Mini-CWT CW Test and QRP CW Fox Hunt are scheduled for February 13. Please see February QST, page 90, and the ARRL and WA7BNM Contest websites for details.
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20575. RE: [DX-IS] SPOT FILTERING

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-08 03:41:54 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 20481 Message: 20575

Hi Al,

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73, Lance - VK6DU

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of ve1al@...
Sent: Friday, 1 February 2013 8:30 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] SPOT FILTERING

Can anyone tall me how to delete spots from W3LPL and his offspring? I find that 95 out of 100 W3LPL spots are useless to me and I don't want them. I also need to know what numbers to put in to delete all spots above 30 MHz to infinity.

Thanks in advance.

73

Al, VE1AL

20576. 5X8C

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-08 03:42:47 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 20576 Message: 20576

Isn't 5X8 an unusual prefix? Just curious. They were quite active today . . .

73, Paul VE1DX

20577. Re: [DX-IS] SPOT FILTERING

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-08 03:50:58 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 20481 Message: 20577

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20578. RE: [DX-IS] SPOT FILTERING

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-08 05:28:39 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 20481 Message: 20578

Ok Paul,

I hear ya, understood. No offense intended...

73, Lance - VK6DU
At a lowly HR - (minus)5

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Paul M Dunphy
Sent: Friday, 8 February 2013 11:51 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] SPOT FILTERING

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Yahoo! Groups Links

20579. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-08 14:01:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 20579

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:Issued: 2013 Feb 08 1245 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30208
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 08 Feb 2013, 1151UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 08 Feb 2013 until 10 Feb 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Quiet conditions (<50% probability of C-class flares)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 08 Feb 2013 10CM FLUX: 103 / AP: 011
PREDICTIONS FOR 09 Feb 2013 10CM FLUX: 102 / AP: 013
PREDICTIONS FOR 10 Feb 2013 10CM FLUX: 100 / AP: 011
COMMENT: The solar activity is low with no C-class flares reported
during last 36 hours. Some C-class flaring is still possible, in
particular from the Catania sunspot groups 79 (NOAA AR 1667), and 80
(part of NOAA AR 1669). The solar wind speed is about 430 km/s and
slowly increasing, and the interplanetary magnetic field magnitude is
stable having value of about 7 nT. The fast flow associated with a
small, low-latitude coronal hole in the southern hemisphere might arrive
at the Earth early on February 9. The arrival of the halo CME from
February 6 (associated with the C8.7 flare) is expected today or early
tomorrow. The arrival of a CME-driven shock wave associated with the
partial-halo CME on February 6 (related with the C1.3 flare) can be
expected on early February 10. We expect unsettled to possibly active
geomagnetic conditions in the next 48 hours.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 038, BASED ON 11 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 7 Feb 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 063
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 103
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 012
AK WINGST : 006
ESTIMATED AP : 006
ESTIMATED ISN : 039, BASED ON 21 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
END
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20580. RE: [DX-IS] SPOT FILTERING

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-08 14:04:21 UTC
From: VE1AL
Topic: 20481 Message: 20580

Good grief, Paul. I can hardly be called a diffident person because I am neither "Modest or shy because of a lack of self-confidence." I hope you meant that I am a "different" person and of that there is no doubt. ☺

I don't "appreciate" W3LPLs spots (nor the ones from his children) because those spots come from big antennas that are well beyond the reach of most of us. If the spots were, say, to come from VK6DU that HE is hearing VK0XYZ on 160 at noon our time then I would be more interested in that spot. Every day there are dozens of spots from W3LPL. I can hear only 10% of those spots. W3LPL is southwest of me and I should expect to be able to hear more of his spots. I am not particularly interested in W6s who spot Oceania, Asia or Africa but the opposite is of interest if those DX areas are spotting central and east coast NA.

When an Asian spots a North American, I am interested because it points out to me that the band is open to Asia. If a North American from the east coast (not W3LPL) using a "normal" setup spots an African, I feel there's a chance I will also hear that station.

So, yes, I am keen on eliminating W3LPL spots. Obviously many others do not feel so strongly about this. I will continue to look for a way to blocking those spots without changing my DXbase logging software.

Lots of snow coming this weekend, nothing but ham radio to play with and conditions are awful. Thank goodness for TV and a couple of great books I bought last week!!!

73

Al, VE1AL

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20581. ARLP006 Propagation de K7RA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-08 15:45:30 UTC
From: jjreisert@...
Topic: 929 Message: 20581

SB PROP @ ARL $ARLP006
ARLP006 Propagation de K7RA

ZCZC AP06
QST de W1AW
Propagation Forecast Bulletin 6 ARLP006
>From Tad Cook, K7RA
Seattle, WA February 8, 2013
To all radio amateurs

SB PROP ARL ARLP006
ARLP006 Propagation de K7RA

Average daily sunspot numbers hardly changed from last week and the week prior, but average daily solar flux bounced back to about the level it was from two weeks ago.

Average daily sunspot numbers were down five points to 50.7, and average daily solar flux was up 7.7 points to 106.4.

Predicted solar flux values are 105 on February 8-10, 110 and 105 on February 11-12, 100 on February 13-14, 110, 115 and 110 on February 15-17, 115 on February 18-19, 110 on February 20-21, 105 on February 22, 115 on February 23-24, then 110, 105 and 100 on February 25-27, 95 on February 28 through March 2, 115 on March 3-4, 120 on March 5-6, and 125 on March 7-8.

The predicted planetary A index is 22, 15 and 10 on February 8-10, 5 on February 11-18, 8 on February 19, 5 on February 20-21, then 15, 10 and 8 on February 22-24, 5 on February 25-28, 10 and 8 on March 1-2, 5 on March 3-7, and 8 on March 8-9.

OK1HH says geomagnetic activity should be quiet to unsettled on February 8, quiet to active February 9-10, quiet to unsettled February 11-12, quiet to active February 13-14, quiet to February 15-16, quiet February 17-21, active to disturbed February 22-23, quiet to unsettled February 24-25, quiet on February 26-27, mostly quiet February 28, quiet to active March 1, quiet to unsettled March 2, and mostly quiet on March 3.

I've been looking at the predictions for planetary A index and solar flux, and it is interesting to note how they change over time. The planetary A index prediction for February 3 for over a month was a value of 5, until January 31, when it changed to 18. Then on February 1 it was 15, and the same on February 2. But on February 3, the actual value was 4. A similar thing happened with the February 4 prediction. It was 5 up until January 31, when it changed

to 15, then for March 1 and 2 it was 12, then it changed back to 15 on March 3. The following day, March 4, the actual value was 4 again, just as it was the day earlier.

On February 7 the planetary A index prediction for February 8 is 22, and on February 6 the prediction for February 8 was 8. Prior to that it was 5. We will see the actual value at the end of the day today, February 8.

We heard from Fabrizio Valdirosa, a shortwave listener in Italy, who inquired about the average sunspot number for all of 2011. We mentioned recently that it was 29.9, but Fabrizio thought this was too low while looking at the monthly averages at, http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/ftpdir/weekly/RecentIndices.txt.

I recalculated by again totaling all of the daily sunspot numbers for 2011, which is 29,239. Divide that by 365 days, and we get an average daily sunspot number for that year of 80.1. I have no idea how 29.9 was previously calculated, except that I somehow came up with a total for the year of 10,913 instead of 29,239 and it was my own error. So the average yearly sunspot numbers for 2008-2012 were 4.7, 5.1, 25.5, 80.1 and 82.3.

Don Street, HS0ZEE wrote to ask about seasonal variations mentioned in the bulletin, and asked, "Here in Asia, Spring and Fall are not so well defined, perhaps for reader like me it would be helpful to mention which month you refer to." We are just referring to the seasons as the time between Equinox and Solstice, Solstice to Equinox, etc. This page gives the dates for the seasonal changes:

http://wwp.greenwichmeantime.com/longest-day/equinox-solstice-2010-2019.htm.

Don also likes the HAP charts for HF propagation produced by the Australian government and notes, "I find the charts near to actual band conditions. Unfortunately they are based on the previous hours observed conditions, but still very useful."

Here is the link Don refers to:

http://www.ips.gov.au/HF_Systems/6/6/1.

Bill Bliss, W1WBB of Portsmouth, Rhode Island wrote: "Don't believe I've seen these two new forecast products from the SWPC mentioned in your weekly column, found via link on their home page: http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/index.html

"They are issued twice daily and I've found them helpful as an additional tool for predicting near-term propagation on the HF/MF amateur bands. Links for feedback on both the 3-Day Forecast and the Forecast Discussion are also provided. Positive feedback on these 'experimental' products from the amateur community (accepted up through Feb. 12) may help ensure they become a permanent part of SWPC's Data and Products area."

If you would like to make a comment or have a tip for our readers, email the author at, k7ra@....

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service web page at http://arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals. For an explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin, see http://arrl.org/the-sun-the-earth-the-ionosphere. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at http://arrl.org/w1aw-bulletins-archive-propagation. Find more good information and tutorials on propagation at http://myplace.frontier.com/~k9la/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://arrl.org/propagation.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of ARRL bulletins are at http://arrl.org/bulletins.

Sunspot numbers for January 31 through February 6 were 47, 65, 54, 79, 30, 41, and 39, with a mean of 50.7. 10.7 cm flux was 102.7, 103.7, 111.8, 111.1, 106.7, 105.1, and 103.5, with a mean of 106.4. Estimated planetary A indices were 1, 4, 9, 4, 4, 2, and 2, with a mean of 3.7. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 1, 4, 9, 6, 3, 2, and 2, with a mean of 3.9.
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20582. 425 DX News - #1136

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-08 16:59:19 UTC
From: r_brothers
Topic: 20582 Message: 20582

09 February 2013 A.R.I. DX Bulletin
No 1136
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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** DX INFORMATION ****
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Edited by I1JQJ & IK1ADH
Direttore Responsabile I2VGW

CO - Celebrating the 20th anniversary of the Russian Robinson Club, a large team of operators (namely CO2WF, CO6LC, CO8ZZ, N3QQ, R3FA, RA3NAN, RK7A, RW3RN, RZ3EC, RZ3EM and UA3EDQ) will be active from three Cuban IOTA groups as follows:
11-14 February T48RRC Moa Grande Island (NA-218)
14-16 February T47RRC Coco Island (NA-086)
16-18 February T46RRC Santa Maria (NA-204)
They plan to be active on 160-10 metres CW, SSB and digital modes with three stations, and to participate in the ARRL DX CW Contest as T46T from Santa Maria Island. QSL via OQRS (to be activated for both bureau and direct requests on http://cuba2013.ru/) and LoTW; traditional direct requests to Eugene Shelkanovtcev, P.O. Box 70, Orel, 302028, Russia. [TNX RZ3EM]
FM - Gildas, F6HMQ and Michel, F6GWV and will be active as TO22C from Guadeloupe (NA-102) from 17 February to 3 March. They plan to be QRV on all bands, with a focus on 160 metres. QSL via F6HMQ. [TNX NG3K]
FM - Valery, R5GA will be active as FM/R5GA from Martinique (NA-107) on 11-17 February, including an entry in the ARRL DX CW Contest as TO5X. Outside the contest, he is likely to concentrate on 30, 17 and 12 metres. QSL via UA3DX and LoTW. [TNX OPDX Bulletin]
FO0_ci - The TX5K DXpedition to Clipperton Island [425DXN 1129] is expected to start on 18 February, when the vessel "Shogun" will leave San Diego, with planned QRV dates from 28 February to 10 March. The current list of operators includes DD2CW, DJ2HD, DJ5IW, DJ7EO, DJ9RR, DL1MGB, DL3DXX, DL5CW, DL5LYM, F1NGP, I5JHW, KE3D, KF4ZZ, KK6EK, N6XG, NP4IW, OZ1IKY, SP5XVY, US0VA, US5WDX, W7GJ, WA6O, WJ2O and XE1L. There will be two operating sites, ten complete HF stations with verticals on the beach and one separate station for 6 metres (including EME). TX5K will use an advanced version of DXA, the satellite-linked system that displays near-real-time log data (it can be accessed from the home page below, or directly at www.dxa2.org). QSL via N2OO. The logs will be uploaded to LoTW within six months after the end of the DXpedition. Further information, including a link to the expedition blog where to read and enter comments) can be found at www.tx5k.org.

HK - Alain, F6BFH was active as HK0/F6BFH from San Andres (NA-033) on
5-8 February, and is now active with the same callsign from
Providencia (NA-049) until the 11th. On 13-15 February he will
operate as HK1/F6BFH from Tierra Bomba (SA-040, with HK1/HK3JJH).
QSL via home call, direct or bureau (email requests for bureau
cards to f6bfh[@]f6bfh.net). [TNX F6AJA and Les Nouvelles DX]
HA - Celebrating the 30th anniversary of club station HG1S, special
callsign HA30S will be in use until the end of the year. More
information on qrz.com [TNX HA1DAE]
KG4 - The Guantanamo Bay ARC station suffered extensive damages when
hurricane Sandy hit Cuba. Ed KN4KL/KG4KL (16-23 February) and
Bill, W4WV/KG4WV (17 February-1 March) will be there to "get all
antennas fixed and the shack back in operating condition". They
plan to be QRV "as time permits after repairs are completed". QSL
via home calls. [TNX The Daily DX]
PJ2 - Look for PJ2DX, PJ2/N0VD, PJ2/W9VA, PJ2/NP2L, PJ2/K9KM, PJ2/K9QVB
and PJ2/W9NJY to be active be active from Curacao (SA-099) on
13-20 February, including participation in the ARRL DX CW Contest
as PJ2T. QSL PJ2DX via LoTW (or to Geoff Howard, P.O. Box 1147,
Coeur d'Alene ID 83816-1147, USA), QSL PJ2/N0VD via W3HNK, QSL
PJ2/W9NJY via WD9DZV, QSL PJ2T via LoTW (or W3HNK), others via
home call.
VP2M - Will, AA4NC will be active as VP2ME from Montserrat on 13-20
February, including an entry in the ARRL DX CW Contest. Outside
the contest he will operate CW, SSB, RTTY and on 30, 17 and 12
metres. QSL via home call and LoTW. [TNX NG3K]
XV - A team from the Lufthansa Amateur Radio Club (namely DD8ZX,
DH6ICE, DH0RAK, DK7TF and DK8ZZ) will be active as XV2DLH from
Vietnam on 16-25 February. QSL via DK8ZZ and LoTW.
ZS8 - Contrary to the previous announcement [425DXN 1133], ZS1BCE will
not join the overwintering team on MarionIsland this year. However,
Carson ZR6CWI has been appointed as the Space Weather Engineer at
Marion from April 2013 to May 2014. He plans to be QRV on the
amateur radio bands, "at this stage SSB only". No call sign has
been allocated yet, but his QSL manager will be ZS1HF. [TNX DX
World]
ZS_ant - Adam, ZS7V is taking up the position of electronic engineer & team
leader at the South African National Antarctic Expedition's
station SANAE IV. He plans to be QRV (SSB only) in late February,
and to remain at the base until February 2014. QSL via ZS1HF.

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**** GOOD TO KNOW ... ****
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Edited by I1JQJ & IK1ADH
Direttore Responsabile I2VGW

18TH IOTA DINNER ---> The 18th Annual Islands On The Air (IOTA) Dinner will
be held on Friday, 19 April at the Visalia Conference Center, in
conjunction with the 64th International DX Convention. Further information

on this event at www.dxconvention.com/pages/dinners-iota.html [TNX N6VR]

425 DX NEWS MAGAZINE ---> The January 2013 issue is now available for download at www.425dxn.org/monthly/index.html. [TNX IZ3EBA]

AFGHANISTAN ---> Salvatore, IZ1BWB is the operator of the Italian Army Alpine Brigade "Taurinense" station YA/IZ1CCK in Herat, Afghanistan. He and Stefano, I0KTE will be QRV on 10 February at 9 UTC on 21195 kHz. QSL via IZ1BWB. [TNX IK1MTX]

HELP NEEDED ---> Antoine, 3D2AG plans to be active again as 3D2AG/p from Rotuma in late March/April. He is looking for spare parts for his "14-years-old ICOM 706-MKII, which is faulty (no TX). If anyone can help please contact me, so that I can be operational on 6m from Rotuma". His email address is on qrz.com

INTERNATIONAL DX CONVENTION ---> The 9th International DX Convention organized by DX Italia will take place on 28 April at the Savoy Beach Hotel, Paestum (Salerno). Please visit www.dxitalia.it for full details on the programme, or e-mail iz8...@... for further information. [TNX IZ8EDJ]

QSL VIA G3SWH ---> Phil, G3SWH has been also been appointed as QSL manager For TF4M's various operations as follows: 4U/TF1MM, 4U1ET, 4X/TF1MM, 9A/TF1MM, 9A6MM, OD5/TF1MM, TF1MM, TF1MM/4L, TF1MM/YU1, TF1PS, TF1PSN, TF3MM, TF4MM, TF6MM, TF6PS, TF7PS, VK8CW. There are log searches for all activities at www.g3swh.org.uk [TNX G3SWH]

TOP LISTS ---> The latest Topband, Topmode and Toplist listings are now available at http://www.425dxn.org/awards/toplist/index.html. QSOs confirmed through LoTW or included in on-line logs are eligible for listing. Send your scores, as well as any request for further information, to Luciano Lucini, IK2QPO (ik2qpo[@]425dxn.org).

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3D2OU N7OU CS2F DK4VW OH0R OH2PM

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3G8JAM CE1VIL CV5K CX2ABC OH8X OH2UA
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3Z51S SP7SEW CX4ACH IK2DUW OO7W ON4AUP
4L1HD DL8KAC CX7CO EA5GL OU2I OZ1BII
4L8A K1BV D44TIB SM7GIB P40LE K2LE
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4U1GSC 9A2AA DU6/OE9MON LZ1JZ PF100ZOO PA3FAW
5H1Z F6AML DU9AQQ EA5GL PJ2T W3HNK
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5W0W NR6M EH3FCM EA3HP PY2ZEA OH2MM
5X8C F1NGP EI13CLAN EI6AL PY7ZBK HB9BEI
6Y3T VE3DZ EM70LL UX4LL R1943SO RW3ZC
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8P9FF W3FF FM1II NI5DX SU0ERA SU1SK
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8P9RT WG0AT G5W G3BJ TM10AAW F8DVD
8P9UN N7UN GM100RSGB M0VFC TM2T F6KDF
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CM2CCA EA7TV J88DR G3TBK YU15OTC YU1Q
CN2JF F6CTF KH2RU/KP4 NP3O Z81B IZ0EGA
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20583. 425 DX Calendar - #1136

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From: r_brothers
Topic: 20583 Message: 20583

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20584. cluster issue fixed

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-08 19:28:17 UTC
From: VE1AL
Topic: 20584 Message: 20584

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20585. Re: [DX-IS] cluster issue fixed

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-08 20:11:58 UTC
From: Buzz Jehle
Topic: 20584 Message: 20585

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-08 20:23:10 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 20584 Message: 20586

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-08 20:45:52 UTC
From: VE1AL
Topic: 20584 Message: 20587

A rare instance, indeed, Buzz. I'm sure someone else would have spotted Chris.

Congrats on 324 on 30. WOW!

73

Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Buzz Jehle
Sent: Friday, February 08, 2013 4:12 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] cluster issue fixed

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20588. RE: [DX-IS] cluster issue fixed

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-08 20:49:01 UTC
From: VE1AL
Topic: 20584 Message: 20588

Cheesh, Paul you could have called me on the phone! " :-(((((

Did get a couple of good ones on 12 & 15 today -- 3D2R and ZK3. Just that blasted P5 keeps eluding me.

73

Al, VE1AL

-----Original Message-----
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Yahoo! Groups Links

20589. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-09 14:01:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 20589

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20590. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-09 15:47:17 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 20590

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:Issued: 2013 Feb 09 1402 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30209
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 09 Feb 2013, 1328UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 09 Feb 2013 until 11 Feb 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Quiet conditions (<50% probability of C-class flares)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 09 Feb 2013 10CM FLUX: 104 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 10 Feb 2013 10CM FLUX: 103 / AP: 010
PREDICTIONS FOR 11 Feb 2013 10CM FLUX: 102 / AP: 005
COMMENT: The only C-class flare reported during last 24 hours was the
long duration C2.4 flare peaking at 06:40 UT. The flare was associated
with eruption of a filament channel between the Catania sunspot groups
79 (NOAA AR 1667), and 80 (NOAA AR 1670), coronal dimming and
post-eruption arcade. Occasional C-class flares are possible but not
very probable. The associated CME was directed northward and appeared
first time in the SOHO/LASCO C2 field of view at 06:48 UT. From the
currently available data it seems that the width of the CME was about
100 degrees. Due to the position of the CME source region close to the
central meridian, it is possible that this CME will arrive at the Earth.
More exact prediction will be available with the arrival of the new data.
The solar wind speed has reached maximum value of about 480 km/s late on
February 8. The speed of the solar wind is decreasing and is now around
400 km/s. The interplanetary magnetic field magnitude is about 5 nT. The
halo CME from February 6 (associated with the C8.7 flare) might still
arrive today. The arrival of a CME-driven shock wave associated with the
partial-halo CME on February 6 (related with the C1.3 flare) can be
expected on early February 10. We expect quiet to possibly unsettled
geomagnetic conditions.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 035, BASED ON 07 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 8 Feb 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 059
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 104
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 012
AK WINGST : 008
ESTIMATED AP : 008
ESTIMATED ISN : 038, BASED ON 19 STATIONS.
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NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
END

20591. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-10 14:01:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 20591

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:Issued: 2013 Feb 10 1231 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30210
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 10 Feb 2013, 1203UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 10 Feb 2013 until 12 Feb 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Quiet conditions (<50% probability of C-class flares)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 10 Feb 2013 10CM FLUX: 108 / AP: 003
PREDICTIONS FOR 11 Feb 2013 10CM FLUX: 108 / AP: 012
PREDICTIONS FOR 12 Feb 2013 10CM FLUX: 109 / AP: 011
COMMENT: The background X-ray flax has a low B-level. There were no
C-class flares during last 24 hours. C-class flares are still possible,
in particular from the Catania sunspot group 80 (NOAA AR 1670) which has
the beta-gama configuration of its photospehric magnetic field. Earth is
currently inside a slow solar wind with a speed of about 350 km/s. The
interplanetary magnetic field magnitude is stable with value of about 5
nT. The partial halo CME from February 9 might arrive at the Earth on
February 12 producing unsettled geomagnetic conditions. We expect
geomagnetic conditions in the next 48 hours.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 029, BASED ON 12 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 9 Feb 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 108
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 008
AK WINGST : 003
ESTIMATED AP : 003
ESTIMATED ISN : 039, BASED ON 11 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
END
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20592. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1099

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-10 20:51:35 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 20592 Message: 20592

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* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

3V, TUNISIA (Rare IOTA). An International group, along with the Tunisian Radio Amateurs and the Engineering University of Gabes, are planning a second IOTA DXpedition to Djerba Island (AF-083, WFF 3VFF-007, WLOTA L-1394 and ARLHS TUN-022), between April 29th and May 6th. The Association

des Radio Amateurs Tunisiens (ARAT) is expected to receive the callsign TS8TI on March 15th. Current operators/club participants mentioned are 3V8SA (ARCS of Tunisian Scout), 3V8ST (ARC of Tunis), 3V8ESG (Department of Communications and Networking National Engeneering School of Gabès), 3V8SF (Scout Radio Club of Sfax), Leopoldo/I8LWL, Fred/IK7JWX (Team Leader), Antonello/IK2DUW (QSL Manager), Titti/IK8GQY (YL), Ferruccio/ IK8TEM, Ampelio/IS0AGY, Rosy/IW2NLC (YL), Ashraf/KF5EYY, Danny/ON4ON, Harvey/ON5SY and Pat/ON7PQ. Activity will be on all HF bands, including the 30/17/12 meter bands and the CW, SSB, RTTY, AMTOR and PSK31 modes. They are looking for operators, sponsors and individual contributions.

5X, UGANDA (Update). Members of the F6KOP team are now active as 5X8C until February 18th, from a location some 20 Km from Entebbe airport. The crew has been on the air since February 7th, around 1530z. Reports indicate that some individuals are seeing their QSOs confirmed via LoTW. Log is being uploaded to ClubLog. Check your QSOs at:
http://www.5x2013.com/index.php/online-log
However, the following has been added on Clubog page: "Due to a high number of dupes made by guys trusting the online-log instead of their ears, we decided to STOP the live upload." As this was being typed, the 5X8C team has made over 23k QSO with about 9k unique callsigns. Remember, Yann, F1NGP, is their QSL Manager (100% OK Direct, ClubLog's OQRS, Bureau and LoTW). For more details and updates, see: http://www.5x2013.com

6Y, JAMAICA. Yuri, VE3DZ, is once again active as 6Y2T from Jamaica (NA-097) until February 19th. He was active this past weekend during the CQ WW WPX RTTY Contest, but he is also expected to be in the upcoming ARRL DX CW Contest (February 16-17th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. Activity outside of the contest will be on 160-10 meters, including the 30/17/12 meter bands and using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via VE3DZ.

7T50/7T9, ALGERIA. Members of the Algerian Radio Amateurs (ARA) will activate special event callsigns 7T9A and 7T50ARA to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Algerian Amateur Radio Association. QSL both callsigns by the Bureau or direct to: PO Box 1, Algiers RP 16000, Algeria. (NO IRCs)

8P, BARBADOS. Gerry, W1VE, will be active as 8P9RM from Barbados (NA-021) starting February 26th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters, but with a focus on CW and the low bands. He will end his activity by being in the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 2-3rd) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry using the callsign 8P1V. QSL via W1VE.

9H, MALTA. Operators Adam/DJ0IF and Mek/SP7VC will be active as 9H3RX and 9H3KK, respectively, from Gozo Island between February 13-19th. Adam informs OPDX that he will be active as 9H3RX during the ARRL DX CW Contest as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. Outside of the contest, Adam will be active on CW (focus on low & WARC bands). Mek will be active on SSB (all bands). QSL via their home callsigns.

9U, BURUNDI (Update). An international team of operators from ON, PA and GM will be on the air from Bujumbura between February 14-23rd (2013). In total they will have 9 operators and four stations and airing the call-

sign 9U4U. Operators currently mentioned are Patrick/ON4HIL, Theo/ON4ATW, Marc/ON6CC, Luc/ON4IA, Ronald/PA3EWP, Marc/ON4AMX, Stefaan/ON4FG and Franky/ON7RU. Pilot station will be Bjorn/ON9CFG and a guest operator will be Anton/ON6NL. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. Suggested frequencies will be:
CW - 1828.5, 3503, 7003, 10123, 14033, 18083, 21033, 24903 and 28033 kHz
CW (RX) - 1833-1838/US/Overall and 1815-1820/JA; other freq. listen up
SSB - 3773, 7083, 14183, 18153, 21283, 24963 and 28943 kHz
SSB (RX) - 3805-3810/US, 3802/JA, 7187-7192/US/JA; other freq. listen up 5-10
RTTY - 7044, 10142, 14088, 18104, 21082, 24924 and 28108 kHz
RTTY (RX) - Listen Down for JA on 40m; Overall listening Up/Down
QSL Manager will be M0URX. A Web site is now online at:
http://www.9u4u.be
This DXpedition will also has a Twitter page <https://twitter.com/9U4U>.
Also, this Expedition is organized by the "Belgian Rockall Team". The latest press release from the 9U4U Web page as of February 9th, from the 9U4U team states: "All systems are go! Today we packed all gear into the suitcases and are ready to leave. The computer network was tested with 4 stations and the equipment was double checked, and properly labeled for transport, so no mistake could be made once we begin with our setup in Burundi. In total we have 21 suitcases, 23 kg each makes 483 kg, with only radio stuff. We have much more equipment than the last expedition (TN2T). Below you see the happy faces from a great team... (picture on their Web page at <http://www.9u4u.be/images/stories/global_picture.jpg>"

CUBAN IOTA DXPEDITION. Members of the Russian Robinson Club (RRC), a team of highly skilled island activators, will be active from the following IOTAs and callsigns to celebrate the 20th anniversary of the RRC:
T48RRC ☐ Moa Grande Island (NA-218) between February 11-14th
T47RRC ☐ Coco Island (NA-086) between February 14-16th
T46RRC ☐ Santa Maria Island (NA-204) between February 16-18th
T46T - Santa Maria Island (NA-204) during the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 16-17th) as a Multi-Single or Multi/2 category
Operators mentioned are Winston/CO2WF, Orelvis/CO6LC, Raúl/CO8ZZ, Yuri/N3QQ, Igor/UA3EDQ, Oleg/R3FA, Andy/RK7A, Sergey/RA3NAN, Alex/RW3RN, Eugene/RZ3EC and Andy/RZ3EM. Activity will be on 160-6 meters, including the 30/17/12 meter bands, using CW, SSB and the Digital modes with 3 stations on the air at the same time on different bands and modes. Their suggested frequencies are:
CW - 1831.5*, 3520, 7020, 10120, 14020, 18070, 21020, 24890 and 28020 kHz
* RX 1825/JA and 1830/EU & USA
SSB - 1842, 3790*, 7060, 14260, 18140, 21260, 24960 and 28460 kHz
* RX 3775-/3825+
RTTY (TX) - 1840.7, 3585, 7038, 10132, 14082, 18097.7, 21082, 24922 and 28082 kHz
RTTY (RX) - 1855+, 3586+, 7039+, 10133+, 14083+, 18099+, 21083+, 24923+ and 28083+ kHz
6m - 50103/CW/beacon (RX up 2+) and 50115/SSB (RX up 5+)
An online log will be available. Three options to QSL. An OQRS will be

available for both direct and Bureau QSLs. Direct QSL can be sent to:
Eugene Shelkanovtcev, PO Box 70, Orel, 302028, RUSSIA (NO IRCs please).
All QSOs will be uploaded to LoTW. For more details, visit the Web page
at: http://cuba2013.ru

DXCC NEWS. Bill Moore, NC1L, ARRL Awards Branch Manager, is now accepting
the following operations for DXCC credit:
** 5X8C - Uganda; Current Operations commenting in 2012
** T6BP ☐ Afghanistan; Current operation commenting 2011
T6TJ ☐ Afghanistan; Current operation commenting 2012

If you've had cards declined (except LoTW applications) please send an
E-mail to bmoore@arrl.org to be placed on the list for an update.
** These operators have uploaded logs to LogBook of The World (LoTW).

Note: If your QSOs were only via LoTW they were not imported to DXCC
since at the time of your application these were not yet approved. LoTW
QSOs can be reclaimed via your next submission only.

ET, ETHIOPIA. "The Daily DX" reports that before Ken, K4ZW, heads to Juba,
South Sudan (see above), he will go to Addis Ababa and activate the ET3AA
club station during the second half of the ARRL DX CW Contest and again
the weekend of February 2224th. ET3AA QSOs made by Ken can be confirmed
by N2OO.

FM, MARTINIQUE. Ted, K7TRK, who was active as KP4/HB9WDF (Puerto Rico)
and FY/HB9WDF (Kourou, French Guyana) this past week, will be active as
FM/HB9WDF from Martinique between February 11-21st. Activity will be
holiday style on the satellites (AO-7, FO-29, VO-52, SO-50 and others
if they are active), and the HF bands on PSK-31 and sometimes SSB. QSL
via K7TRK, direct, by the Bureau, LoTW and eQSL.

FY, FRENCH GUYANA. Larry, F6FVY, will be active as FY5KE in the ARRL DX
CW Contest (February 16-17th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (20m)/High-Power
entry. QSL via LoTW, by the REF Bureau or direct to FY5KE.

GW100, WALES. Adrian, MW1LCR, will be using the special callign GW100C
during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 30-31st) as a Single-Op/All-Band
entry. QSL via MW1LCR. The special contest callsign is issued to celebrate
100th anniversary of the RSGB. Currently this is the only planned use of
the callsign from Wales during a SSB contest.

IOTA NEWS.............
OC-161. Members of the YB Land DX Club are planning to activate Nias
Island later this month (dates to bet confirmed). The team
will also apply to use the YE6N callsign, which was last used
in 2006 from the same island, or they may sign individual
callsigns/6. More details will be forthcoming.

SA-030. Members of the South Radiogrupo (SUR) of Uruguay will be active
as CV5A from Flores Island (WLOTA LH-0528, RGS CX-104, ARLHS
URU-001) between February 21-24th. Activity will be on all HF

bands, 160-6 meters. QSL via CX2ABC direct only. For more
details and updates, see: http://www.radiogruposur.org

SA-040. Alain, F6BFH, who was active from San Andres as HK0/F6BFH this
past week, and is currently active from Providencia as HK0/F6BFH
until February 11th, will team-up with Pedro/HK3JJH and be
active as HK1/F6BFH and HK1/HK3JJH from Tierra Bomba between
February 13-15th. QSL via the Bureau (E-mail requests can be
sent to f6bfh@...).

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (February 11-17th)....
Feb/11th AN Feb/14th AN Feb/16th AN
Feb/12th AN Feb/15th AN Feb/17th AN
Feb/13th AN

SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS/INDEXES AND GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE
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NORMALITY GEOMAG K Values Alpha
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AN - Above Normal Quiet K=0-1 0-7
HN - High Normal Unsettled K=2 8-15
LN - Low Normal Active K=3 16-29
BN - Below Normal Minor Storm K=4 30-49
DIS - Disturbed Major Storm K=5 50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed Severe Storm K=6-9 100-400

M5, ENGLAND. Operators Olof/G0CKV, Kazu/JK3GAD, Seppo/OH1VR and Oliver/W6NV
will be active as M5E from the Marconi Center in Cornwall, England, (see:
http://marconi-centre-poldhu.org.uk) during the ARRL DX CW Contest
(February 16-17th) as Multi-2 entry. Their station will be on the bluff
at Poldhu Point, overlooking the Atlantic Ocean. QSL via G0CKV.

NODXA ADDS A CONDITION TO THEIR DONATION/FUNDING POLICY. The members of
the Northern Ohio DX Association during their February meeting voted (after
a lengthy discussion) to follow the "International DX Association's"
(INDEXA) example/guideline by adding a condition that must be met by
DXpeditions when requesting financial help.
As of February 1st, all DXpeditions requesting funds from NODXA will
now be sent the following question/statement before the release of any
funds:
"Members of NODXA believes that funds contributed to a DXpedition should
be used only for that purpose. If there is a surplus of funds after a
DXpedition is completed, a refund should be made, using some logical
approach, to help offset the personal expenses incurred by individual
team members and/or returned to the major sponsors. NODXA is not
concerned how the refunds are made, but does believe that any excess
funds should not be held by the organizers for other purposes or
projects. Do you agree? Yes or No"

P4, ARUBA. John, W2GD, will be active as P40W from Aruba (SA-036) during
the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 16-17th). He states that this is a last
minute trip. Operations outside of the contest are usually on 160/80m and

30/17/12 meters as time permits. Watch 160m on the hour and 80m on the half hour. QSL via LoTW or direct to N2MM. Logs will be loaded on LoTW upon his return to the USA.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated February 10th)

3B8/HB9ARY via HB9ARY HF2013MAX via SP3YAC OE2013RAD via OE6RAD
3D2NB via W7YAQ HG66MALEV via HG4I OE2013SOU via OE3SOU
5P9X via OZ9GA HI3TT via ON4IQ OE2013S via OE2GEN
8P9FF via W3FF HI8CSS via EA5GL OE2013WMW via OE3WMW
9V1YC via W5UE HK0/F6BFH via F6BFH OE2013YRG via OE6YRG
AM2CRB via EA2RY IV3CTS via YT4RA OK8WW via OM2FY
AX6WX via VK6WX KH0/EI2CR via EI2CR OU2I via OZ1BII
DL60BADEN via DL7ACN KH0/JR2UXO via JR2UXO OU2W via OZ1ETA
DR175EDS via DF7AA KH2/G3ZEM via M0URX PI4YLC via PA7DW
EE8E via EB7DX KP2/K5RZA via K5RZA R250GS via RL2A
EG4CBA via EA4CRP LZ969SCP via LZ1KCP R1943SO via RL3ZZ
EH5MCB via EA5BX NP2/N5RZ via N5RZ YA/KB2RLB via KB2RLB
EM70LL via UX4LL OA6Q via OE3NHW YU313EDICT via YU1AST
EY8MM via K1BV OE2013ASA via OE3ASA ZZ2T via PY2MNL
FY/HB9WDF via HB9WDF OE2013ECG via OE6ECG
HC7AE via EA7FTR OE2013L via OE5FSL

(e) eQSL only (d) direct only (B) Bureau only (L) LoTW only

NEW IRC INTRODUCED. The ARRL Letter reports [edited], "The Universal Postal Union has introduced the newest model of the International Reply Coupon (IRC): The Doha model -- so named for the 25th Universal Postal Congress that took place in Doha, Qatar, in October 2012 -- will replace the current model, known as the Nairobi model. Although the U.S. Postal Service no longer sells IRCs, they are still available in other countries and post offices in the U.S. are mandated to redeem them. The Doha model IRC will be available for purchase on July 1, 2013. It is valid for exchange until the end of 2017. The Nairobi model remains valid until December 31, 2013. Read more at:
http://www.arrl.org/news/new-international-reply-coupon-introduced "

MORE QSLs MANAGED BY G3SWH. Phil, G3SWH, has also been appointed as QSL Manager for Thor's, TF4M, various operations as follows: TF1PSN, TF1PS, TF6PS, TF7PS, TF6MM, TF1MM, 4X/TF1MM, TF1MM/YU1, 9A/TF1MM, 9A6MM, OD5/TF1MM, 4U/TF1MM, TF1MM/4L, VK8CW, 4U1ET, TF3MM and TF4MM. There are log searches for all activities are at:
http://www.g3swh.org.uk

USPS TO SUSPEND SATURDAY MAIL DELIVERY. The U.S. Postal Service announced this past week that effective the week of August 5th, it will stop Saturday delivery of most mail, including periodicals, first-class and standard mail, which is used most often for direct-mail advertising. However, packages, mail-order medicines, priority and express mail will still be delivered on Saturdays. ADDED NOTE: The U.S. Congress may try

to fight this! Stay Tuned!

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 5P1KZX, 5X8C, A61K, A45XR, D3AA, DK0PM, DL1LQA, DL3GD, DM5BB, FK8DD, FY5PO, FY8PE, HC6EP, JA4DND, JA5TNF, JA7QVI, JF3SUL, JH0INP, LB2TB, LY7Z, MU/PA9M, NP2KW, OK2PAY, PA0MJM, PA3UL, PR8ZX, PY2FN/P, PY2XB/1, RX6LG, SM6BZV, SP7HOV, SQ7LRT, SV1ACL, TM7T, TX6BB, UA3RF, UX2KA, V5/DL3XX, VE2OJ, VE4EAR, VP2MRV, VU2NKS, YZ1AU, ZF2BJ and ZX2S

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 1A0C, 2O12L, 3C0C, 3W2J, 4S7NE, 5T0SP, 7O6T, 9M6/JA4DND, A92GR, C31CT, H40FN, HK3C, IS0/K7QB, J6/N7QT, JD1BMM, K8SDK/C6A/MM, OD5NJ, OJ0R, T8CW, TI8AA, UU5J, V5/DL3DXX, V63XG, VO2NS, VU3BPZ/MM, VU3BPZ/P, W7AVO/VK9L, W8XGI/KH2, YB0A, Z21BB and Z81Z

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: DL0FHD, TK4W, V5/DJ2HD, VK9HR and VO1/K5KG

RI1, SOUTH SHETLAND ISLANDS. The "DX World.net" reports that Oleg, ZS1OIN (UA3HK), is the new Chief of Bellingshausen Base on King George Island, South Shetland Islands (AN-010), and will be active on all bands, mostly CW, after February 12th, as RI1ANU instead of the normally used RI1ANF callsign. He plans to stay at the base until March 31st. QSL via ZS1OIN.

T2, TUVALU. Tim, NL8F, is expected to be active from Tuvalu between March 19th and April 2nd. His callsign is not yet known, but he will obtain his license upon his arrival on Tuvalu. Activity will probably be mostly SSB. QSL via K8NA.

T6, AFGHANISTAN. Eric, K9GY, will be active as T6MO from the Helmand Province (Grid MM21) during the CQ 160 Meter SSB Contest (February 22-24th) as a Single-Op/Low-Power entry. He mentions that this will be a limited effort; mainly from sunset to 1730z. Eric will also be active during the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 2-3rd) as a Single-Op/Low-Power entry. He states that activity will be mainly 20 meters (unless 15 and 10 meters is open to USA). Eric will also be active during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 30-31st) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (possibly 15 or 10m)/Low-Power. QSL via LoTW or to K9GY (see QRZ.com) direct or by the Bureau.

TI8, COSTA RICA. Operators Keith/W4KTR, Eddie/K4UN, Bob/W4BW, Lex/W4XO, Carlos/TI2KAC, Juan Carlos/TI2JCY and Mauricio/TI4ZM will be active as TI8M from Costa de Pajaros, during the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 2-3rd) as a Multi-? entry. QSL via TI2KAC, direct preferred but bureau "OK". Their operations will be on 160-10 meters. Look for operations before the contest.

TO1, REUNION ISLAND (WFF Op). A team of operators from Reunion Island will be active as TO1PF from the UNESCO World Heritage site of "Piton de la Fournaise" [Peak of the Furnace] volcano during the following dates: February 23-24th, May 11-12th and August 3-4th. Operators mentioned are Jerome/FR1JB, Yvon/FR1GZ, Jacky/FR4NP, FR4DJ, Michel/FR4OA, FR4OM, FR4OO, François/FR4OS, FR4OU, FR4OV, FR4PE, Bruno/FR4PF, Jacques/FR4PG, Alain/FR5CU, Patrick/FR5FC and Philippe/FR5HV. The volcano is a shield volcano on the eastern side of Reunion island (AF-016, DIFO FR-001, WWFF FFF-011,

WLOTA 1812), with an elevation of elevation 2632m. It is currently one of the most active volcanoes in the world. Activity will be on all HF bands and modes. QSL via FR1GZ.

TX5, CLIPPERTON ISLAND (Update). The following update was posted on February 5th, on the TX5K Clipperton Island DXpedition Web page [edited]: "Nearly all the equipment has been assembled, and most has been packed. Transportation will be by truck on February 12th. The boat (Shogun, San Diego) will be loaded on Friday, February 15th.
We have implemented a new domain for the expedition: <www.TX5K.org>.
We have also implemented a BLOG <http://ky6r.com> (link is also on the TX5K homepage) where you can read and enter comments.
We have completed development and emplacing of DXA (version 2). It can be accessed by the link on the TX5K home page, or directly at <www.dxa2.org>. Until the DXpedition goes QRV, the display will be a simulation. Comments on the blog before, during, or after, are most welcome.
The webmaster during the DXpedition will be Rich, KY6R. Please send any news stories or other interesting information to him for possible sharing on the blog or general publicity."

V3, BELIZE. Operators Robert/K5PI (V31AT), Mark/AG9A and John/WC0W (V31TP) will compete in the ARRL International DX CW Contest (February 16-17th) as a Multi-Single entry from Cahal Pech in Western Belize. They will use V31TP for the contest callsign. The trio will be in Belize between February 11-18th, so there will be operations before and after the contest. They will focus on CW and the 30/17/12 meter bands mostly. QSL to their home callsigns.

VISALIA DX CONVENTION NEWS.....
* Steve, WB6RSE, reports: "The 2013 Visalia Top Band Dinner will be held on April 19, 2013. There will be a buffet dinner, door prizes including a Hi-Z Antennas Hi-Z 4 level 2 (PLUS6 Amps) System and a special program: Les Kalmus, W2LK: 'ZL9HR - The Auckland and Campbell Island 160m Challenge.' Cost is 40 (USDs) per person. For further details and reservations, please see:
http://www.dxconvention.com/pages/dinners-topband.html "

* The 18th annual Islands On The Air (IOTA) Dinner will be held in conjunction with the 64th annual Visalia International DX Convention on Friday, April 19, 2013, in the San Joaquin Room at the Visalia Conference Center, Downtown Visalia, 303 East Acequia, Visalia, CA.
See Convention Web site for details on the DX Convention:
http://dxconvention.com (Please note change of Convention site.)
This dinner is open to all who are active in the IOTA program or want to see beautiful pictures of far away islands. If you do not wish dinner, you may sit and enjoy the IOTA program following the dinner.
The IOTA Programs/Speakers as of February 8th, are: Don/G3XTT and Rick/K6VVA. For complete details, see:
http://www.dxconvention.com/pages/dinners-iota.html

VP5, TURKS AND CAICOS. Operators Urb/W1UL and his XYL Pat/W2PKV will be active as VP5/W1UL and VP5/W2PKV from Providenciales Island (NA-002) between March 7-13th. Look for W2PKV to operate primarily on SSB, while W1UL will be primarily on CW. Their activities will be on all bands including 6 meters. QSL both callsigns via W1UL.

XV2, VIETNAM. Operators Georg/DD8ZX, Jürgen/DH0RAK, Jürgen/DH6ICE, Bernd/ DK7TF and Zrinko (Zik)/DK8ZZ will be active as XV2DLH from Mui Ne between February 16-25th. Activity will be on the HF bands using CW, SSB and the Digital (PSK, RTTY) modes. QSL via DK8ZZ. Please note, logs will be uploaded daily on ClubLog Web site.

YO2013, ROMANIA (Special Event). Members of the Sportclub of the University Transilvania Brasov (YO6KSU, <http://www.csu.ro>) will activate the special event station YO2013EYOWF between February 16-24th. Activity is in cele- bration the "European Youth Olympic Winter Festival" <http://eyowf2013.ro>. Operations will be on 80-10 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. Three special awards will be issued (Gold, Silver and Bronze), and the three different classes require a certain number of QSOs/bands with the event station on different days. Operators mentioned are Victor/YO6MP, Nonu/YO6FUG, Marius/YO6FTV, Lucilius/YO6FPW, Doru/YO6CHB, Adi/YO6GBD and Deszi/YO6UO. For more info, picture of the QSL and the QSL route, see QRZ.com.

Z8, SOUTH SUDAN (Update). Ken, K4ZW, will be returning to Juba and is expected to be active as Z81Z between February 25th and March 6th. "The Daily DX" reports that Ken is "bringing equipment for the lowbands" and will do his best to be active, but work requirements will dictate his schedule. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by LoTW.

ZS8, MARION ISLAND. Various sources report the following update (UPDATE #2) by Pierre, ZS1HF [edited]: "David, ZS1BCE, has not been appointed as the radio technician to join the team going down to Marion Island this year. At this stage, Carson McAfee, ZR6CWI, has been appointed as the Space Weather Engineer and will spend a year on the island. He has appointed me as his QSL Manager and informs me that he will be active from May 2013 to April 2014.
No callsign has been allocated yet and at this stage he will operate SSB only. Once he returns to Cape Town and I have had time to discuss his operating and equipment requirements, I will supply more info. Until then no more info is available. Carson has just completed a year at the SANAE Antarctic Base.

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Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@...?subject=unsubscribe>
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20593. LOTW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-11 03:53:14 UTC
From: dale cole
Topic: 2352 Message: 20593

Is anyone else getting the "fatal error" too many tasks on LOTW?
They always get eldoos of logs right after a contest (and I suspect this is the issue), but new equipment? Thought the problems were on the way to being solved?
Dale K8TS

20594. Re: [DX-IS] LOTW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-11 03:56:48 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 2352 Message: 20594

On 2/10/2013 11:53 PM, dale cole wrote:
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Hi Dale,

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it gives on temporary hiccups. Give it until the AM and I betcha it
will be OK.

73, Paul VE1DX

20595. Re: [DX-IS] LOTW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-11 04:03:15 UTC
From: dale cole
Topic: 2352 Message: 20595

yep your right Paul; maybe wait till tuesday to access my account--just wanted to check somethings, no submissions. There has to be a better position for their IT guy. He sure can't say he's never been in the hot seat or cooker a few times on his resume
Dale K8TS

From: Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Sun, February 10, 2013 10:56:47 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] LOTW

On 2/10/2013 11:53 PM, dale cole wrote:
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20596. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-11 14:01:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 20596

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:Issued: 2013 Feb 11 1250 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30211
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 11 Feb 2013, 1221UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 11 Feb 2013 until 13 Feb 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Quiet conditions (<50% probability of C-class flares)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 11 Feb 2013 10CM FLUX: 109 / AP: 003
PREDICTIONS FOR 12 Feb 2013 10CM FLUX: 108 / AP: 013
PREDICTIONS FOR 13 Feb 2013 10CM FLUX: 105 / AP: 007
COMMENT: Solar activity was very low during the last 24 hours, with a
soft Xray background in the low B level. There is a slight risk for an
isolated C class flare from NOAA AR 1670, but the next 48 hours are
expected to be mostly quiet in terms of flaring activity. Geomagnetic
activity is expected to be low to unsettled for the next 48 hours, with
the expected arrival, by mid-day, Feb. 12, of the CME of Feb. 9.
Unsettled activity, at most, is foreseen from this event, as the bulk of
the CME is passing northward of the Earth. Currently, quiet conditions
are observed by the ACE spacecraft.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 035, BASED ON 03 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 10 Feb 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 106
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 010
AK WINGST : 006
ESTIMATED AP : 004
ESTIMATED ISN : 031, BASED ON 14 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
END
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20597. LOTW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-11 15:40:50 UTC
From: dale cole
Topic: 2352 Message: 20597

new machinery.....oh well

Dale K8TS

20598. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-12 14:01:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 20598

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:Issued: 2013 Feb 12 1251 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30212
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 12 Feb 2013, 1236UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 12 Feb 2013 until 14 Feb 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Quiet conditions (<50% probability of C-class flares)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 12 Feb 2013 10CM FLUX: 105 / AP: 008
PREDICTIONS FOR 13 Feb 2013 10CM FLUX: 105 / AP: 011
PREDICTIONS FOR 14 Feb 2013 10CM FLUX: 102 / AP: 001
COMMENT: We expect quiet conditions to prevail for the solar activity,
with a small risk of an isolated C flare from NOAA AR 1670. Geomagnetic
conditions are expected to be quiet to unsettled any time now as the
southern flank of the CME of Feb. 9 arrives at Earth later today.
Geomagnetic conditions should be back to quiet levels by the second half
of Feb. 13.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 045, BASED ON 06 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 11 Feb 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 084
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 105
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 008
AK WINGST : 006
ESTIMATED AP : 004
ESTIMATED ISN : 038, BASED ON 12 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
END
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20599. (no subject)

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-12 16:05:51 UTC
From: Richard Williams
Topic: 20599 Message: 20599

http://mokfai.com/gxsro/z5u3d9q3enbjlsv5rc644fe0bhizv1vyw.y7wxacdazje3wq8gr3l7wtmhv5b1
    Richard Williams

20600. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-13 14:01:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 20600

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:Issued: 2013 Feb 13 1238 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30213
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 13 Feb 2013, 1216UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 13 Feb 2013 until 15 Feb 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Quiet conditions (<50% probability of C-class flares)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 13 Feb 2013 10CM FLUX: 102 / AP: 006
PREDICTIONS FOR 14 Feb 2013 10CM FLUX: 097 / AP: 001
PREDICTIONS FOR 15 Feb 2013 10CM FLUX: 094 / AP: 001
COMMENT: Solar activity is expected to be mostly quiet with a risk of
an isolated C flare from NOAA AR 1670. Two eruptive events occurred
relatively close to the west limb, late on Feb. 12. One is a filament
eruption taking place in the southern hemisphere. Owing to the current
coronagraphic observations, they do not appear to be geoeffective.
Geomagnetic activity is expected to be low for the next 48 hours.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 025, BASED ON 08 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 12 Feb 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 102
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : ///
AK WINGST : 005
ESTIMATED AP : 005
ESTIMATED ISN : 045, BASED ON 11 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
END
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20601. WAS and 4U

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-14 08:19:40 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 20601 Message: 20601

Hi Guys,

Anyone heading to 4U1UN this year? I need it on SSB any band.

Also will be looking for stateside on triple play LOTW this year 42 slots still to fill, all on SSB/RTTY.

Probably main bands will be 40/20/17 SSB/RTTY. (unless we get a sudden jump in SFI).

Anyway if you hear me or see me spotted, please give me a call.
The ones I need on both SSB/RTTY, CT, DE, ME, NH, ND, OK, SD,WV, WI

Btw. If anyone needs CQ zone29 on any mode, please let me know.

73, Lance - VK6DU

20602. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-14 14:01:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 20602

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:Issued: 2013 Feb 14 1242 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30214
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 14 Feb 2013, 1218UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 14 Feb 2013 until 16 Feb 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Quiet conditions (<50% probability of C-class flares)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 14 Feb 2013 10CM FLUX: 095 / AP: 008
PREDICTIONS FOR 15 Feb 2013 10CM FLUX: 092 / AP: 001
PREDICTIONS FOR 16 Feb 2013 10CM FLUX: 090 / AP: 001
COMMENT: Solar activity is expected to be very low for the next 48
hours, with a low probability of an isolated C flare from NOAA AR 1670.
Geomagnetic activity is expected to be mostly quiet for the next 48
hours. On Feb.13, unsettled to active conditions were observed locally
(Dourbes, K=4) from 18 to 21 UT and at planetary level (Kp=4) from 21 to
24 UT. This corresponds to a short period of Bz excursions close to -10
nT in the same time period. The source of such (modest) activity is
unclear at the moment.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 021, BASED ON 08 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 13 Feb 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 093
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 100
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 027
AK WINGST : 016
ESTIMATED AP : 012
ESTIMATED ISN : 025, BASED ON 16 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
END
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20603. Re: [DX-IS] WAS and 4U

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-14 14:14:15 UTC
From: John G.
Topic: 20601 Message: 20603

Hi Lance,

I can give you OK on RTTY and SSB. I think I need zone 29 on RTTY. BTW, does 4U1UN count for NY for WAS?

73 John AF5CC

----- Original Message -----
From: Lance Martin
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thursday, February 14, 2013 8:19 AM
Subject: [DX-IS] WAS and 4U

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Also will be looking for stateside on triple play LOTW this year 42 slots still to fill, all on SSB/RTTY.

Probably main bands will be 40/20/17 SSB/RTTY. (unless we get a sudden jump in SFI).

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73, Lance - VK6DU

20604. Re: [DX-IS] WAS and 4U

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-14 16:22:05 UTC
From: iain macdonnell - N6ML
Topic: 20601 Message: 20604

http://www.4u1un.net/

"Newsflash
Due to the United Nations HQ building renovation, the 4U1UN station
and antennas had to be temporarily removed end of March 2010. At this
time, there are no planned activities in 2013."

73,

~iain / N6ML

On Thu, Feb 14, 2013 at 12:19 AM, Lance Martin <L.Martin@...> wrote:
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> 73, Lance - VK6DU
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20605. RE: [DX-IS] WAS and 4U

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-15 02:02:30 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 20601 Message: 20605

Great John,

I will email you off forum to arrange shortly.

I am no authority on 4U1UN but believe it would be a separate DXCC entity therefore not counting for WAS.
Please let me know if I am wrong.

73, Lance - VK6DU

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of John G.
Sent: Thursday, 14 February 2013 10:14 PM
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To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com<mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
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20606. Re: [DX-IS] WAS and 4U

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-15 02:21:01 UTC
From: Brian Alsop
Topic: 20601 Message: 20606

Hi Lance,

Well KL7 and KH6 are both DX entities and states.
That says it's possible.

The land that 4U1UN sits on was US territory before it was expropriated
by the UN. I'm not sure just when it became an entity.

73 de Brian/K3KO

On 2/15/2013 02:02, Lance Martin wrote:
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20607. Re: [DX-IS] WAS and 4U

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-15 02:42:43 UTC
From: John G.
Topic: 20601 Message: 20607

I Know that 4U1WB should count for Maryland, even though it is in DC, which isn't part of Maryland, but counts for Maryland anyways. So, you could get Worked All States by working only 49 states in 2013. You could do that for a few months back in 1959 before Hawaii was added.

73 John AF5CC

----- Original Message -----
From: "Brian Alsop" <alsopb@...>
To: <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Friday, February 15, 2013 2:21 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] WAS and 4U

Hi Lance,

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Yahoo! Groups Links

20608. Re: [DX-IS] WAS and 4U

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-15 03:05:09 UTC
From: Pete Smith N4ZR
Topic: 20601 Message: 20608

Totally correct, Lance - The UN reservation in New York was ceded to the UN, and is therefore not US territory. On the other hand, 4U1WB, in Washington, is on what remains US territory, and 4U1VIC is on Austrian soil.

73, Pete N4ZR
Check out the Reverse Beacon Network at
http://reversebeacon.net,
blog at reversebeacon.blogspot.com.
For spots, please go to your favorite
ARC V6 or VE7CC DX cluster node.

On 2/14/2013 9:21 PM, Brian Alsop wrote:
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>> *From:*DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] *On Behalf
>> Of *John G.
>> *Sent:* Thursday, 14 February 2013 10:14 PM
>> *To:* DX-IS@yahoogroups.com

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>> The ones I need on both SSB/RTTY, CT, DE, ME, NH, ND, OK, SD,WV, WI
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20609. RE: [DX-IS] WAS and 4U

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-15 03:07:32 UTC
From: Ron Notarius W3WN
Topic: 20601 Message: 20609

4U1UN does not count for NY state because the UN Hq is not considered, legally, part of the United States, but territory of the United Nations. [And I don't believe "expropriated" is the correct term... the land was voluntarily transferred to UN sovereignty by the US and/or NY governments, they weren't deprived of it's possession by force or eminent domain or anything like that.]

4U1WB counts for MD because the land on which the office building that contains the World Bank sits IS considered, legally, part of the United States. [And the rules were changed between the times 4U1UN became an entity and 4U1WB came into existence, but that's another story]

DC counts for MD because it used to be part of MD (the part of VA ceded to DC is now part of VA again... my son lives there, in fact). Personally, and nothing against residents of DC, had I written the rules, I wouldn't have done that, but I didn't write the rules.

Alaska and Hawaii are both States and DXCC entities. Obviously they are both States in the Union. AK is separated from the continental US by Canada, and 'double qualifies' on those grounds. HI is separated from the continental US by a heck of a lot of warm blue Pacific ocean, with no intervening US territory... and 'double qualifies' on those grounds.

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of John G.
Sent: Thursday, February 14, 2013 9:43 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] WAS and 4U

I Know that 4U1WB should count for Maryland, even though it is in DC, which isn't part of Maryland, but counts for Maryland anyways. So, you could get Worked All States by working only 49 states in 2013. You could do that for a few months back in 1959 before Hawaii was added.

73 John AF5CC

----- Original Message -----
From: "Brian Alsop" <alsopb@...>
To: <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Friday, February 15, 2013 2:21 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] WAS and 4U

Hi Lance,

Well KL7 and KH6 are both DX entities and states.
That says it's possible.

The land that 4U1UN sits on was US territory before it was expropriated
by the UN. I'm not sure just when it became an entity.

73 de Brian/K3KO

On 2/15/2013 02:02, Lance Martin wrote:
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> Great John,
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> I will email you off forum to arrange shortly.
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> I am no authority on 4U1UN but believe it would be a separate DXCC
> entity therefore not counting for WAS.
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> Please let me know if I am wrong.
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20610. ARLD007 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-15 00:38:38 UTC
From: jjreisert@...
Topic: 9097 Message: 20610

SB DX @ ARL $ARLD007
ARLD007 DX news

ZCZC AE07
QST de W1AW
DX Bulletin 7 ARLD007
>From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT February 14, 2013
To all radio amateurs

SB DX ARL ARLD007
ARLD007 DX news

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by NC1L, QRZ DX, The Weekly DX, the OPDX Bulletin, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, DXNL, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

CYPRUS, 5B. Roman, UR0MC will be QRV as 5B/UW2M in the ARRL DX CW contest. QSL via US0LW.

JAMAICA, 6Y. Yuri, VE3DZ is QRV as 6Y2T until February 19. This includes being active in the ARRL DX CW contest as a Single Op/All Band/High Power entry. Outside the contest, he is active on 160 to 10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL to home call.

MALTA, 9H. Operators Adam, DJ0IF and Mek, SP7VC are QRV as 9H3RX and 9H3KK, respectively, from Gozo Island until February 19. They will be QRV as 9H3RX in the ARRL DX CW contest as a Single Op/All Band entry. Outside of the contest they are active on the HF bands using CW and SSB. QSL to home calls.

BURUNDI, 9U. A group of operators are QRV as 9U4U from Bujumbura until February 23. Activity is on 160 to 10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY with four stations. QSL via M0URX.

TONGA, A3. Werner, DJ9KH is QRV as A35WH from Tongatapu Island, IOTA OC-049, until February 23. Activity is on the HF bands. After this operation, he will be QRV as A35WH/p from Vava'u Island, IOTA OC-064, until March 3. QSL to home call.

MOROCCO, CN. Operators EA5CP, EA5YU and EA9BLJ will be QRV as 5C5T in the ARRL DX CW contest as a Multi/Single entry. They are active before and after the contest until February 18. QSL via EA5YU.

MADEIRA ISLANDS, CT3. Operators Rasto, OM3GI, Tibor, OM3RM and Julo, OM7JG will be QRV as CR3A in the ARRL DX CW contest. QSL via

OM2VL.

ESTONIA, ES. Toomas, ES5RY will be QRV as ES95Q from Tartu in the ARRL DX CW contest as a Single Op/All Band/Low Power entry. This special call sign celebrates the 95th anniversary of Estonia. QSL direct to home call.

ETHIOPIA, ET. Ken, K4ZW will be QRV from the ET3AA club station during the second half of the ARRL DX CW contest. QSL via N2OO.

FRENCH GUYANA, FY. Larry, F6FVY will be QRV as FY5KE in the ARRL DX CW contest as a Single Op/Single Band/High Power entry on 20 meters. QSL direct via FY5KE.

JERSEY, GJ. Mathieu, MJ0ASP will be QRV as GJ2A in St. Brelade in the ARRL DX CW contest. QSL via operator's instructions.

US VIRGIN ISLANDS, KP2. Operators Phil, KT3Y, Fred, K9VV and Bob, WP2XX will be QRV as KP2M from St. Croix Island in the ARRL DX CW contest. QSL direct via AI4U.

TURKS AND CAICOS ISLANDS, VP5. Jeff, K0UU is QRV as VP5/K0UU from Grand Turk Island, IOTA NA-003, until February 21. Activity is mainly on the newer bands. He will sign VQ5RP in the ARRL DX CW contest. QSL to home call.

VIET NAM, XV. Georg, DD8ZX, Juergen, DH0RAK, Juergen, DH6ICE, Bernd, DK7TF and Zrinko, DK8ZZ will be QRV as XV2DLH from Mui Ne from February 16 to 25. Activity will be on all bands using CW, SSB and various digital modes. QSL via DK8ZZ.

INDONESIA, YB. Ucok, YB6AR and other operators are QRV as home calls/p from Pulau Bunta, IOTA OC-245, until February 17. Activity is on 40, 30, 20, 15 and 10 meters using SSB and RTTY. QSL direct to home calls.

ROMANIA, YO. Members of the Sportclub of the University Transylvania Brasov will be QRV using special event call sign YO2013EYOWF from February 16 to 24 in celebration of the European Youth Olympic Winter Festival. Activity will be on 80 to 10 meters using CW, SSB and various digital modes. QSL via operators' instructions.

OPERATIONS APPROVED FOR DXCC CREDIT. The following operations are approved for DXCC credit: Uganda, 5X8C, current operations commencing 2012; Afghanistan, T6BP, current operation commencing 2012; Afghanistan, T6TJ, current operation commencing 2012; and Republic of South Sudan, Z81A and Z81D, current operations commencing 2012.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The ARRL International DX CW Contest, QRP CW Fox Hunt, NCCC Sprint CW Ladder, Russian World Wide PSK Contest and the Feld Hell Sprint will certainly keep contesters busy

this upcoming weekend. The NAQCC-EU Monthly CW Sprint is scheduled for February 18. The QRP CW Fox Hunt and AGCW Semi-Automatic CW Key Evening are scheduled for February 20. Please see February QST, page 90, and the ARRL and WA7BNM Contest websites for details.
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20611. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-15 14:01:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 20611

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:Issued: 2013 Feb 15 1337 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30215
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 15 Feb 2013, 1221UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 15 Feb 2013 until 17 Feb 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Quiet conditions (<50% probability of C-class flares)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 15 Feb 2013 10CM FLUX: 097 / AP: 001
PREDICTIONS FOR 16 Feb 2013 10CM FLUX: 097 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 17 Feb 2013 10CM FLUX: 100 / AP: 010
COMMENT: Solar activity was very low during the past 24 hours and is
expected to remain at quiet levels for the next 48 hours. Geomagnetic
activity is expected to be low for the next 48 hours.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 030, BASED ON 04 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 14 Feb 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 036
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 100
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 015
AK WINGST : 016
ESTIMATED AP : 016
ESTIMATED ISN : 021, BASED ON 15 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
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20612. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1100

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-15 17:08:34 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 20612 Message: 20612

SB DX @ WW < KB8NW $OPDX.1100
Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin No. 1100

The Ohio/Penn DX PacketCluster
DX Bulletin No. 1100
BID: $OPDX.1100
February 18, 2013
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

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** EDITOR'S SPECIAL NOTICE: This week's bulletin was sent out earlier than normal to accommodate the late ARRL DX CW Contest announcements. Also, we wanted to provide the readers with a consolidated listing of the ARRL DX CW Contest participants.

DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Saturday, 9th-February, through Friday, 15th-February there were 228 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3DA, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4X, 5B, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5V, 5W, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9Q, 9U, 9V, 9X, 9Y, A3, A4, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C5, C6, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FH, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HK0/a, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J5, J6, J7, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JX, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KH9, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OJ0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ7, PY, PY0F, PZ, R1FJ, S2, S5, S7, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV/a, SV5, SV9, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TR, TT, TU, TY, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V6, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK9N, VP2E, VP2M, VP2V, VP5, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, Z8, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZF, ZK3, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

3V, TUNISIA. SWL Ashraf "Ash", 3V4-002 (KF5EYY), will be active as 3V8SS from the "Radio Club Station of Tunisian Scouts" in Sousse, during the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 16-17th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via LoTW or to LX1NO. Read about Ashraf on the following Web page at: http://www.kf5eyy.info

3V, TUNISIA (Correction/Operator Update). An Italian group, along with the Association des Radio Amateurs Tunisiens (ARAT) and the Engineering University of Gabes, are planning a second IOTA DXpedition to Djerba Island (AF-083, WFF 3VFF-007, WLOTA L-1394 and ARLHS TUN-022), between April 29th and May 6th. The Association des Radio Amateurs Tunisiens (ARAT) is expected to receive the callsign TS8TI on March 15th. Current operators/club participants mentioned are 3V8SA (ARCS of Tunisian Scout), 3V8ST (ARC of Tunis), 3V8ESG (Department of Communications and Networking National Engeneering School of Gabès), 3V8SF (Scout Radio Club of Sfax), Leopoldo/I8LWL, Fred/IK7JWX (Team Leader), Antonello/IK2DUW (QSL Manager), Titti/IK8GQY (YL), Ferruccio/IK8TEM, Ampelio/IS0AGY, Rosy/IW2NLC (YL), Ashraf/KF5EYY and Stefano/IK6JRI. Activity will be on all HF bands, including the 30/17/12 meter bands and the CW, SSB, RTTY, AMTOR and PSK31 modes. They are looking for operators, sponsors and individual contributions, contact Fred, IK7JWX, at <ik7jwx2003@...>.

4JT, AZERBAIJAN (Special Prefix). The Federation of Radio Sport of Azerbaijan has announced that during the period of February 14th and March 5th, the Azerbaijanian HAMs are permitted to add the special addition of the letter "T", which means "Tragedy", to their callsigns. For example: 4J7DL would change to 4JT7DL, or 4K3M to 4KT3M, etc.... The activity is to remember the 21st anniversary of one of the most horrific events of the 1990s, the "Khojaly Massacre", the biggest war crime in the area of the former USSR. QSL via operator's home callsign. ADDED NOTE: On behalf of a group of Azerbaijani-Americans and their friends throughout the nation and the world, on the eve of the 21st anniversary of this tragedy, they hereby call upon you to help them commemorating Khojaly Massacre and its victims with a Presidential proclamation and submit a petition to the White House. Please go to: https://petitions.whitehouse.gov/petition/issue-proclamation-commemorating-and-recognizing-war-crime-khojaly-massacre-and-its-victims/W8BbDqYx

5C, MOROCCO. Members of the URE Cartagena team will be active from the ARRAM HQ club station (CN8MC) in Rabat as 5C5T during the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 16-17th) as a Multi-Single/Low-Power entry. QSL via EA5YU, by the Spanish Bureau or direct. Operators mentioned are: Juan/EA5BLJ, Jose/EA5CP and Jose/EA5YU. The operators will be there until February 18th, and plan to be active outside of the contest on 80-10 meters using 100 watts, CW only.

5X, UGANDA (Update). Members of the F6KOP team will be going QTH as 5X8C on February 18th. If you did not make a QSO with the 5X8C team, you may have another chance with a 5X station. Reg, NH6T, who is also in Uganda building apartment units there, reports: "Had the opportunity to spend several hours with the huge group out at Country Lake Resort yesterday (February 10th) afternoon and it was probably the most ham radio fun for me of the past decade. This resort, which was several miles down a rutted

dirt road, was a mammoth tropical paradise equivalent to most of our Hawaiian resorts other than the Hyatt Regency. The complete antithesis of HK0NA what with swimming pool and food/drinks at the snap of a finger. The organization and operation of this undertaking would put most military campaigns to shame. The group is so well experienced that they had all antennas and six operating positions up and running in less than one day and an antenna farm which defies description. Thousands of feet of coax cable running every direction like spaghetti and antennas even mounted on the the ends of piers sticking out into Lake Victoria (the 2nd largest fresh water lake in the world). One does not expect to see multiple four-squares on a DXpedition." Reg also mentioned that he received the callsign 5W1C, but has not been on the air much because of his work. He also states [edited], "I'm only working with an NVIS antenna strung along the hedges here, but with usable signals on all bands except 20M which is way down in the mud. .... I literally can't get a higher antenna up here on the estate because the trees are so thick and also covered with thorns. On my first try I wound up my trusty hammer weight for an underhanded throw and it went high enough, but unfortunately remained stuck in the branches." Reg also added that the F6KOP team tried to get his callsign 5X1C for their DXpedition, but were told they had to settle for 5X8C because Entebbe is in a different radio district than Kampala.
As this was being written on February 15th, the 5X8C log on ClubLog reports that the 5X8C team as made 70435/QSOs with 18896/Unique callsigns (35714/CW, 25869/SSB and 8852/RTTY) with 1056/AF, 0/AN, 6219/AS, 51747/EU, 10106/NA, 553/OC and 754/SA. To check your QSOs, go to:
http://www.clublog.org/charts/?c=5X8C
Remember, Yann, F1NGP, is their QSL Manager (100% OK Direct, ClubLog's OQRS, Bureau and LoTW). For more details and updates, see:
http://www.5x2013.com

9U, BURUNDI (Update). The international team of operators from ON, PA and GM are now on the air as 9U4U from Bujumbura until February 23rd. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL Manager will be M0URX.
The 9U4U Web site is online at: http://www.9u4u.be
This DXpedition will also have a Twitter page <https://twitter.com/9U4U>.

9X, RWANDA. Nick, G3RWF (5X1NH), plans to go to Rwanda between March 4-12th. He has requested the callsign 9X0NH, and the license should be valid for 2013 because he could return later in the year. Activity will be from Kigali and will be mainly CW. QSL via G3RWF.

A3, TONGA (Update/Callsign Change). Werner, DJ9KH, is now active from Tongatapu Island (OC-049) until February 23rd, and then on Vava'u Island (OC-064) between February 24th and March 2nd. His callsigns will be A35WH on both islands. He reported on February 14th: "Sorry to say, that we had to leave our mast-material in Auckland. Air New Zealand wanted us to pay a hell lot of money for 2kg fiberglass, incredible. Now we took a palm-tree instead, not that high, but good enough for a vertical-dipole for 20/17/15m. Tried to work CW this morning GMT. Some more will follow." His equipment will be a K3 with 100 watts and wire-antennas (loops and verticals). Activity will be on the HF bands, depending on propagation.

Suggested frequencies are:
CW - 1826.5, 3505, 7020, 10105, 14024, 18080, 21024, 24894 and 28024 kHz
SSB - 3799, 7070, 14190, 18145, 21290, 24950 and 28490 kHz
RTTY - 10140, 14080, 18110, 21080, 24920 and 28080 kHz

QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the DARC Bureau. He plans to update on <http://www.tonga2013.de/> every day and give information about planned activities, modes and frequencies. He doesn't use an online-log, LoTW and e-QSL.

A6, UNITED ARAB EMIRATES. Alex, SQ9UM, will be active as A6/SQ9UM between February 16-22nd. Activity will be on 40-10 meters, including the 30/17/12 meter bands, using CW, RTTY and from time to time SSB and PSK. QSL via his home callsign.

DXCC NEWS. Bill Moore, NC1L, ARRL Awards Branch Manager, is now accepting the following operations for DXCC credit:
Z81A and Z81D ☐ Republic of South Sudan;
Current operations commencing 2012

EA8, CANARY ISLANDS. Mauri, OHBYS, will be active as EA8CMX during the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 16-17th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (40m)/ High-Power entry. QSL via OH2BYS.

EF8, CANARY ISLANDS. Juan, EA8RM (ex-EA8CAC), will be active as EF8R during the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 16-17th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL via LoTW or EB7DX.

FM, MARTINIQUE (Correction). Michael, HB9WDF, (not Ted, K7TRK), who was active as KP4/HB9WDF (Puerto Rico) and FY/HB9WDF (Kourou, French Guyana) two weeks ago, will be active as FM/HB9WDF from Martinique between now and February 21st. Activity will be holiday style on the satellites (AO-7, FO-29, VO-52, SO-50 and others if they are active), and the HF bands on PSK-31 and sometimes SSB. QSL via HB9WDF, direct, by the Bureau and eQSL.

H40, TEMOTO PROVINCE. Members of the Temotu Aid Radio Club (TARC) report on QRZ.com: "After the terrible earthquake and tsunami on February 6th, 2013, a group of Radio Amateurs founded the Temotu Aid Radio Club (TARC). We are organizing aid for the local people, specially for supporting the LATA hospital. Therefore the next upcoming DX-expedition activity will be from December 21st, 2013, to January 10th, 2014 from Lata, Nendo Island (OC-100). Donations to support the local hospital are most welcome. The travel costs for the expedition will be fully financed by the operators themselves. So your donation goes straight 100% to the LATA hospital." They mention the callsign will be H40TA and the activity will be on CW and SSB. QSL and donations information will be forthcoming (November 2013).

H44, SOLOMON ISLANDS (Excerpts Edited From Press Release #2 by G3SWH). Operators Phil/G3SWH and Jim/G3RTE will be active from Honiara, Guadal-canal, in the Solomon Islands, between February 18-28th. The Solomon Islands are located in CQ zone 28, ITU zone 51. Guadalcanal counts as OC-047 for IOTA purposes. The "most wanted" data provided by ClubLog

currently shows the Solomon Islands at #81 in Europe and #77 in North America. Their activity will be on CW only on all bands 80-10 meters using 2 x K2s with 2 x KPA500 amplifiers to wire antennas. There will be no 160, 60, 6 meters or EME activity. Propagation permitting, they plan to have two stations on the air for as many hours everyday as is possible. Their main objective is to work as many European, North American and ROTW stations on as many different bands as possible and plan to make at least 15,000 QSOs. They will always work split and listen between 1 and 5 kHz up. Subject to a reliable Internet connection, they will upload the log to ClubLog and the G3SWH Web site on a daily basis. Otherwise the complete log will be uploaded upon their return. The log will be uploaded to LoTW as soon as possible after they return to the UK. Please make only one QSO per band. Making duplicate QSOs prevents someone else from making a QSO! Duplicate QSOs will *NOT* be logged. Believe your ears, not your Internet browser! QSL via G3SWH, either via the OQRS facility on Phil's Web site <http://www.g3swh.org.uk> (recommended), direct with SAE and adequate return postage or via the traditional Bureau route. There is more information at <www.g3swh.org.uk/h44kw.html> which will be updated from time to time.

HQ2, HONDURAS. Hiro, JA6WFM, will be active as HQ2N from San Pedro Sula during the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 16-17th) as a Single-Op/Low-Power entry. QSL via EA5GL or LoTW. Hiro will be here until January 2014.

IOTA DXPEDITION. John, YB5NOF, along with possibly 1 or 2 more operators, will activate three Indonesian IOTA groups during the months of May, June and July. His plans are tentative, but here is the schedule:
Banggai Island (OC-208) - During late April/early May; he will apply for the YE8B callsign.
Subi Besar Islands (OC-109) - Sometime in June; he will apply for the YE5S callsign.
Tambelan Islands (OC-122) - During July for the RSGB IOTA Contest); he will apply for the YE5T callsign.
More details will be forthcoming. Stay tuned!

IOTA NEWS.....
EU-001. Operators Teo/SV1GRM, George/SV1RP, John/SV1GYG, John/SV1GE and Takis/SV2FWV will be active from Kalolimnos Island (GIOTA DKS-048, MIA MGD-011, WLOTA 0662) between May 10-20th. Activity will be on all HF bands and modes. QSL via SV1GRM.

EU-010. Graham, MM0GHM, will be active as MM0GHM/m from the Isle of Barra (IOSA OH11, SCOTIA HI02, WLOTA 3126), Outer Hebrides, between March 24-29th. Activity will be on the HF bands, depending on propagation. QSL via his home callsign, direct or RSGB Bureau.

EU-038. Dirk, DL5DCL, will once again be active as PA/DL5DCL from Ameland Island (WLOTA 1059) for 5 days starting April 1st. Activity will be holiday style on several HF bands, CW only. He will have an online log search and OQRS available during

and after his operation. He will have a new high quality QSL
card available. QSL via DL5DCL, by the Bureau, direct or via
OQRS. Visit his Web site at: http:/www.dl5dcl.de

EU-125. Dieter, DF2SD, will be active as OZ/DF2SD from Fano Island
(DIA NS-002, WWFF OZFF-004) between August 17-30th. Activity
will be holiday style on the 30/17/12 meter bands only, using
mainly RTTY and some SSB. QSL via his home callsign, direct
or by the Bureau.

NA-171. (Update) Operators Ismael/XE1AY, Benjamin/XE1AU, Armando/XE1CIC
and Enrique/XE2AA will be active as XF2E from Venados Island
between April 21-26th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters. QSL
via IT9EJW. Visit their Web page at: http://www.it9ejw.it/xf2e

OC-016. Jim, W8ERI, will be active as 3D2ZF from Taveuni Island between
February 17-23rd. Activity will be on 80-10 meters mainly SSB.
QSL via his home callsign.

OC-161. Imam, YB4IR, will be active as YB4IR/6 from Nias Island between
March 8-13th. Activity will be on the HF bands. QSL via his
home callsign. Visit his Blog page at: http://yb4ir.blogspot.com

OC-245. Operators Ucok/YB6AR, Adhi/YB3MM, Budi/YF1AR and Evendi/YC6EI
will be active from Rondo Island (ARLHS IDO-369) between March
9-17th. Callsign has not yet been announced. Activity will be
on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via IZ8CCW, direct
or by the Bureau. For more info and updates, visit:
http://www.mdxc.org/oc-245

J6, ST. LUCIA. Rob, N7QT, will be heading back to Saint Lucia on a suitcase
mini-DXpedition as J6/N7QT between April 5-16th. He will be using the new
CrankIR portable antenna system from SteppIR <www.steppir.com>. Operator
Frans, J69DS, will join him. Their operational base will be a magnificent
villa located in Babonneau, which overlooks the city of Gros Isle and Cap
Estate. Their goal is to demonstrate "ultralite" DXpeditions from magnif-
icent "vista" locations. The operation's equipment will include a field
portable radio (battery only) and using backpack/lightweight antennas.
Activity will be on 80-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY or PSK, as well
as operating field portable (battery only) either from the St. Lucia
beaches or scenic mountain tops. During field portable operations, they
will sign their callsigns /P. QSL J6/N7QT via LoTW, eQSL, by the Bureau,
or direct to his home callsign (SASE required!). J69DS will only accept
direct QSLs with a SASE. NO Bureau QSLs!

J7, DOMINICA. Rick, KK4GV, will be active as J79GV from Calibishie on
the northeast side of the island of Dominica (NA-101) between March
8-17th. He states, "The island is fairly un-commercialized and is mostly
rainforest and volcanic mountains. It has the tallest mountain peaks in
the Caribbean and is called the 'Nature Island of the Caribbean'." His
activity will be holiday style and SSB only. QSL via his home callsign,
direct or by the Bureau. He will upload log to LoTW when he gets home.

KH2/NH2, GUAM. Dave, N2NL, will once again be active as NH2T from Guam (OC-026) during ARRL DX CW Contest (February 16-17th) as a Single-Op/ All-Band/Assisted entry. Activity will be part-time with a focus on the low bands. He is expected to be here until the summer of 2013. Dave is usually active (outside of contests) as KH2/N2NL and during all contests as NH2T. QSL via LoTW or via W2YC.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (February 18-24th)....
Feb/18th AN Feb/21st AN Feb/23rd HN
Feb/19th AN Feb/22nd HN Feb/24th HN-AN
Feb/20th AN

SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS/INDEXES AND GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE
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NORMALITY GEOMAG K Values Alpha
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AN - Above Normal Quiet K=0-1 0-7
HN - High Normal Unsettled K=2 8-15
LN - Low Normal Active K=3 16-29
BN - Below Normal Minor Storm K=4 30-49
DIS - Disturbed Major Storm K=5 50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed Severe Storm K=6-9 100-400

KH8, AMERICAN SAMOA (Cancelled). Operators Bill/N6MW and Jim/N6TQ, who were expected to be active as KH8/N6MW from a hotel in Tutuila between March 19-28th, have postponed this indefinitely.

KP3, PUERTO RICO. Members of the Los Chachos Contest Club will be active as KP3Z during the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 16-17th) as a Multi-Single entry. Operators mentioned are Felipe/NP4Z and Eric/NP3A. QSL via N4AO.

MJ, JERSEY. A Belgian team will be active as MJ/ON6NB from Jersey between May 24-30th. Operators mentioned are Philippe/ON4ACP, Erik/ON4ANN, Jose/ ON4CAU, Erik/ON4CCV, Walter/ON8CW, Cedric/ON4CKM and Rudi/ON6MI. The pilot station will be Frans/ON6QB. Activity will be on 160-2 meters using CW, SSB and PSK. An emphasis will be on the higher bands, conditions permitting. QSL via ON4ANN, direct or by the Bureau. There will be an online log search at: https://secure.clublog.org/logsearch/mj/on6nb
A Web page is available at: http://users.telenet.be/on4ann/MJ/index.html

NEW CONTEST (RaDAR 2013). The RaDAR-America contest is an event aimed at promoting the use of Rapidly Deployable Amateur Radio stations throughout North and South America. This contest is for all licensed radio amateurs. A choice is made prior to the contest to participate in one of the defined categories. The points system is so structured as to encourage portable operation, especially moveable stations. The event takes place the first Saturday of April and first Saturday of November starting at 14:00 UTC and ending at 18:00 UTC (4 hours). Complete rules can be found at: http://radar-america.blogspot.com

OH0, ALAND ISLAND. Kim, OH6KZP, will be active as OH0X during the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 2-3rd) as a Single-Op entry. QSL via LoTW or to OH2TA.

PJ4, BONAIRE. Operators Janusz/SP9FIH and Kazik/SP6AXW will be active as PJ4/homecall from Bonaire (SA-006, WLOTA LH-1279) between April 8-20th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using SSB and RTTY. Suggested frequencies are:
SSB - 1880, 3780, 7180, 14180, 18140, 21280, 24980, 28480 and 50120 kHz
RTTY - 1835, 3580, 7035, 10140, 14080, 18100, 21080, 24920 and 28080 kHz

A survey is available for bands/modes needs on their Web page. QSL via SP9FIH: Janusz Wegrzyn, P.O. Box 480, 44-100 Gliwice, Poland (see Web page for details; PayPal available). For more details and updates, see: http://www.pj4-dxpedition.com

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated February 15th)

3G3P via CE3PG ED2C via EA2RCF PA6NB via PA7JWC
3Z0SDR via SP5PPK EG1ACG via EA2FC PF13ANT via PA0RDY
3Z2X via SP2YWL FM/R5GA via UA3DX SN150AW via SP5CGN
4U1GSC via 9A2AA GB2SPY via G3ROO SV8/SV1CEI via SV1CEI
6V7S via RK4FF HA30S via HG1S TC1DX via TA1DX
6Y2T via VE3DZ HC2/RC5A via RC5A UP4L via UN7LZ
9H3FW via DK7YY HK0/F6BFH via F6BFH YM7KA via TA7KA
9H3KK via SP7VC HK1AR via RW6HS (d) YN3M via W0MM
A60A via IZ8CLM LT0H via EA7FTR YO2013EYOWF via YO6MP
C6ATN via IZ7ATN LZ134SOF via LZ1KZX YU1700AST via YU1AST
CO3JA via CO3JY MM2N via MM0GPZ
EA9/DL2RVL via DL2RVL OE2013BKC via OE3BKC

(e) eQSL only (d) direct only (B) Bureau only (L) LoTW only

NOT THE MANAGER. Willi, DF8WS, reports that he has been receiving more and more QSLs for activities of RM4A and RM7M in the last years. He states, "I was only manager for these special callsigns before the USSR fell apart. In that time, prefix belonged to Kirghiz Rep. but after that I don't know to whom these calligns belong to and how to send QSLs."

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 3A2MW, 3B9SP, 5B4AIF, 5C5W, 5R8IC, 5X8C, 7Z1HL, 9J3A, 9L0W, 9M2CNC, 9X/ON4WW, A45XR, A65BP, C31BO, C6ABB, CO2JD, CP4BT, CR2T, CT3AS, CT1FIU, CU3EQ, D4C, DL2OE, DL3KOG, DL6KR, E77DX, EA3GHZ, FI1FJA, HH2B, HK0GU, HK1R, HZ1FI, JA8BNP, JD1BLY, JE8TGI, JJ1DWT, KP2/K5WE, KP4JFR, MD0CCE, MU/PA9M, NH0Z, OH7MN, P40G, PJ2V/DL7VOG, PJ5/DL7VOG, PY0F/PP1CZ, R7NK, RI1FJA, RW3XW, T6LG, TF2RR, TI2HAS, TZ6BB, UN1L, UY6IM, VK6DXI, VQ9LA, VU2NKS, WP4JCF, Z37M, Z38N, ZK2VB, ZL2HAM, ZL3HAM and ZS2I

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 1A0C, 5U5U, 6Y4WU, 7O6T, 9M2/JA1PVI, 9Y4/DL8DYL, 9Y4/DL9DRA, CP6XE, D64K, ES9C, HC2/KF6ZWD, JA1RGL, JD1BMH, JY5HX, KP2/NM2O, T30PY, T88CP, V63XG, V84SMD, VP8DLB, VP2EKG, YB3GXS and YN2AA

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 3D2ML, 5B/NN3AA, 5P3WW, 9M2/R6AF/P, 9Q6AL, A52AB, A6/DL9WVM, A65BR, A92IO, BT4EXPO, BV100, FM/KL7WA, HB0/DJ2IA,

HZ1DS, HZ1PS, IC8/DJ2OS, LX/DJ6OI, MD/DJ4AK, PJ7/DB4BJ, T8XX, TA4/DG1RYC, TC4X, TO5T, V31JZ/P, Z60K and ZD9AH.

RI1, FRANZ JOSEF LAND. Eugene, UA4RX, will be active as RI1FJ from Franz Josef Land (EU-019) during the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 16-17th) as a Single-Op/Low-Power entry. QSL via UA2FM direct, an OQRS is available on ClubLog.

SV8, GREECE (IOTA/Contest Op). Rich, M5RIC, will be active as SV8/M5RIC from Zakynthos Island (EU-052) between July 23-30th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using SSB and RTTY. Rich will also be in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th) as a Single-Op/High-Power/DXpedition entry. QSL via M5RIC.

TX5, CLIPPERTON ISLAND (Update). The following update was posted on February 12th, on the TX5K Clipperton Island DXpedition Web page [edited]: "All the California equipment has been assembled and is on the truck. It will be transported to San Diego on Wednesday, Thursday, February 13th. The boat (Shogun, San Diego) will be loaded on Thursday-Friday, February 14-15th. The first half of the team will board on Monday, February 18th, and the boat will sail for Cabo San Lucas, to pick up the rest of the team. We expect to arrive at Clipperton Island on February 26th. It will take at least one day to land and get the camp set up, so QRV should not be expected before February 28th. Please watch this site, the BLOG, and various news outlets for the anticipated start of operations. We look forward to having a rewarding DXpedition, and seeing you at the conferences later this year. We will be hosting a Courtesy Suite after the DX Dinner at Dayton and a similar party at Friedrichshafen, so plan to come see us! Good luck to all who want a contact with TX5K! Be sure to watch it in real time with DXA <http://www.dxa2.org/> and write to the BLOG <http://www.ky6r.com/>."

V3, BELIZE. Lee, N8LJ (ex-T32LJ), will be active as V31LJ from Placencia between February 27th and March 6th. Activity will be on the HF bands. QSL via K8ESQ.

VP2M, MONTSERRAT. Operators John/KB8RJ and XYL Crissie/WD8KUR will be active as VP2MRS and VP2MUR, respectively, from Gingerbread Hill in St. Peter's on Montserrat Island between February 20th and March 14th. Activity will be holiday style on 80-10 meters, including the WARC bands, using mostly SSB and some PSK. QSL both callsigns via KB8RJ.

VP2V, BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS (6m Op). Dave, W9DR, will be active as VP2V/W9DR from the north shore of the Island of Anegada (NA-023) in the British Virgin Islands (FK78TR) between June 14-28th. Activity will be on 50.115 MHz (SSB) and 50.115.6 MHz (CW). He will also be running a beacon on 50.115.6 when the band is not open. Please submit confirmation request (QSL) to W9DR home address (QRZ.com).

YE1, INDONESIA. Members of the Bekasi DX Contest Club (YE1ZAT) will be active during the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 16-17th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via YE1ZAT, by the Bureau, e-QSL or direct via info

on QRZ.com. Visit the Bekasi DX Contest Club's Web page at:
http://ye1zat.com

The following stations are expected to be active in the
ARRL DX CW Contest (February 16-17th, 2013)

Thanks to Bill, NG3K, for providing OPDX readers with the following
consolidated listing of the participants in the 2013 ARRL DX CW Contest.
For a more detailed listing (and up-to-date changes/corrections) in HTML
format, please visit Bill's Web page at:
http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/adxc2013.html (By callsign)
http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/adxcd2013.html (By entity)

Contest DXCC Class QSL
Callsign Entity Route

3D2RX Rotuma M/S LoTW; QSL via W7YAQ
3V8BB Tunisia SOAB HP LoTW; QSL via LX1NO (d)
5B/UW2M Cyprus SOAB HP US0LW
5C5T Morocco M/S EA5YU
6Y2T Jamaica SOAB HP VE3DZ
9H3RX Malta SOAB DJ0IF
C6APG Bahamas SOSB 160M LoTW; QSL via K4PG direct
C6AZZ Bahamas SOSB 20M KQ8Z
CR3A Madeira M/S OM2VL
E71A Bosnia & Herzogovina SOAB HP E71A
EA8CMX Canary Islands SOSB 40M LoTW
EF8R Canary Islands SOAB LP LoTW; QSL via EB7DX
EF8USA Canary Islands M/S W2GR
ET3AA Ethiopia N2OO
F6KOP France M/S F6KOP (B)
FY5KE French Guiana SOSB 20M LoTW; QSL REF (B) or FY5KE direct
GJ2A Jersey SOAB LoTW
HC1/W0OR Ecuador SO LP W0OR
HC2/RC5A Ecuador SOAB LP RC5A; QSL via (B/d)
HK1NA Colombia M/M K6IPM
HQ2N Honduras SO LP LoTW; QSL via EA5GL
IR1Y Italy M/S M/? IK1YDB Direct
J88DR St Vincent SOAB LP G3TBK; QSL via RSGB (B) or (d)
KP2M Virgin Islands M/S
KP2MM Virgin Islands SOAB LoTW
KP3Z Puerto Rico M/S N4AO
LU1DZ Argentina M/S LU1DZ (d); QSL via (e)
LX7I Luxembourg M/S LX2A
M5E England M/? G0CKV
NH2T Guam SO A LoTW
OH0X Aland Island SO OH2TA
P40W Aruba TBD LoTW
PJ2T Curacao M/? LoTW; QSL via W3HNK

RI1FJ Franz Josef Land SO LP UA2FM
T46T Cuba M/? LoTW; QSL via OQRS or RZ3EC (d)
T6LG Afghanistan SOAB LZ1ZF
T6MO Afghanistan SO LP K9GY
TI5W Costa Rica M/2
TO5X Martinique SOAB HP R5GA
V31TP Belize M/S WC0W
VP2ME Montserrat SO LoTW
VP9/W6PH Bermuda SOAB LP W6PH (d)
VQ5RP Turks & Caicos LoTW; QSL via K0UU (B/d)
YE1ZAT Indonesia M/S YE1ZAT
Z37M Macedonia M/S LoTW
ZF2AM Cayman Islands SOAB HP LoTW
ZL3IO New Zealand SOAB HP ZL3IO (B/d)

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mail to me via " kb8nw@... "..... TNX de Tedd KB8NW
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Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@...?subject=unsubscribe>
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**** DX INFORMATION ****
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3D2 - Jim, W8ERI will be active as 3D2ZF from Taveuni (OC-016), Fiji Islands on 17-23 February. He will operate SSB on 80-10 metres. QSL via W8ERI. [TNX The Daily DX]
3V - Alfredo, IK7JWX and several other operators (I8LWL, IK2DUW, IK6JRI, IK8GQY, IK8TEM, IS0AGY, IW2NLC, KF5EYY, 3V8ESG, 3V8SA, 3V8SF and 3V8ST) will be active on all bands and modes as TS8TI from Djerba Island (AF-083) between 29 April and 6 May. QSL via IK2DUW. [TNX IK7JWX]
A6 - Alex, SQ9UM will be active as A6/SQ9UM on 16-22 February. He will operate mainly CW and RTTY, with some SSB and PSK, on 40-10 metres. QSL via home call. [TNX SQ9UM]
CE - Manuel, CE2UNE will be active as XR2BH from the lighthouse at Caleta Hornilla (Puerto Aldea) on 20-24 February, including participation in the South American Lighthouses Weekend. [TNX CE3FZL]
CN - EA5CP, EA5YU and EA9BLJ are active as 5C5T from Morocco until 18 February, including a Multi-Single LP entry in the ARRL DX CW Contest. QSL via EA5YU. [TNX NG3K]
CT9 - Once again Rosel, DL3KWR and Hardy, DL3KWF will be active as CT9/DL3KWR and CT9/DL3KWF from Madeira (AF-014) from 7 March to 3 April. They plan to operate mostly in CW and digital modes with a focus on 12, 17 and 30 metres. QSL via home calls. E-.mail requests for bureau cards can be sent to dl3kwr[@]darc.de or dl3kwf[@]darc.de respectively. [TNX DL3KWR]
CX - A team from Radiogrupo Sur (www.radiogruposur.org) will be active on all bands and modes as CV5A from Flores Island (SA-030) and lighthouse on 21-24 February. QSL via CX2ABC, direct only. [TNX rsgbiota.org]
ES - Celebrating the 95th anniversary of the Estonian Republic, a large number of callsigns with special prefix ES95 will be active from 15 February to 3 March. Information on the relevant award will be published on the Estonian Radio Amateurs Union's website (www.erau.ee). [TNX ES2TI]
F - A team from the Lanester Amateur Radio Club (F6KPQ) will be active on all bands and modes as TM2BI from Belle-Ile-en-Mer (EU-048) on 24-31 July, IOTA Contest included. QSL via F6KPQ, direct or

bureau. [TNX F4FFZ]
FO_ci - Announced frequencies for the TX5K DXpedition to Clipperton Island
[425DXN 1136] are:
CW 1833 3523 7023 10103 14033 18083 21033 24903 28033
SSB - 3785 7185 - 14185 18165 21285 24975 28515
RTTY - - - 10137 14087 18097 - - -
The team expects to arrive at Clipperton on 28 February. It will
take at least one day to land and get the camp set up, so QRV
should not be expected before 1 March. Bookmark www.tx5k.org for
updates.
FR - A group of FR operators will be active as TO1PF from Piton de la
Fournaise, a 2600m high volcano on Reunion Island (AF-016), on
23-24 February, 11-12 May and 3-4 August. QSL via FR1GZ.
H4 - Phil, G3SWH and Jim, G3RTE will be active as H44KW from Guadalcanal
(OC-047), Solomon Islands on 18-28 February [425DXN 1117]. They
will operate CW only on 80-10 metres: "please make only one QSO
per band", they say. "Duplicate QSOs will not be logged". Subject
to a reliable Internet connection, they will upload the log to
Clublog and www.g3swh.org.uk on a daily basis. Otherwise the
complete log will be uploaded after the expedition. QSL via G3SWH,
direct or bureau (OQRS for both direct and bureau cards on Phil's
website). The log will be uploaded to LoTW as soon as possible
after they return home. [TNX G3SWH]
HL - Rocky, HL1VAU is staying on Kanghwa Island (AS-105) until the end
of February. He is on a business trip and will operate on the HF
bands mainly CW as HL1VAU/2. QSL via home call. [TNX HL1VAU]
IS0 - Special stations II0IDP from Cagliari (EU-024, QSL via IS0IGV) and
II0ICH from La Maddalena (EU-041, QSL via IM0QMA) - both
representing former coast radio stations of the Italian Navy -
will be active on 2-17 March for the 7th Italian Navy Coastal
Radio Stations Award (www.assoradiomarinai.it). [TNX IS0IGV]
J8 - Mike, VA3MW will be active as J8/VA3MW from the island of Bequia
(NA-025) on 15-19 February. He plans to be QRV on 20 and 15
metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX VA3RJ]
PA - Look for Marcel, PD5MVH/p to be active from Vlieland Island
(EU-038) on 2-16 March. He will operate SSB on 40, 20 and 10
metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX PD5MVH]
PJ4 - Kazik, SP6AXW and Janusz, SP9FIH will be active on 160-6 metres as
PJ4/SP6AXW and PJ4/SP9FIH from Bonaire (SA-006) on 8-20 April. QSL
via SP9FIH. Logsearch and further information can be found on
www.pj4-dxpedition.com [TNX SP9FIH]
PY - Marcelo, PY2FN will be active as PY2FN/p from the lighthouse at
Ponta da Sela on Sao Sebastiao Island (SA-028) on 22-25 February.
He plans to operate CW only on 40-6 metres and to participate in
the South American Lighthouses Weekend. QSL via home call, direct
or bureau.
V3 - Lee, N8LJ will be active as V31LJ from Placencia, Belize from 27
February to 6 March. QSL via K8ESQ and LoTW.
V3 - Hernan V31HU, Ismael V31NV (XE1AY) and Enrique V32EE (XE2AA) will
be active from Twin Cayes, South Water Cay (NA-180), Belize on

6-12 April. They plan to operate on the HF bands and 6 metres. QSL via IT9EJW.
V4 - Once again John, W5JON will be active as V47JA from St. Kitts (NA-104)from 20 February to 21 March. He will operate SSB on 80-6 metres, and will participate in the ARRL DX SSB Contest. QSL via W5JON and LoTW. [TNX W5JON]
V6 - Mike, WB7DXA will be active as V63DXA from Micronesia between 21 February and 21 March. He plans to operate from Kosrae (OC-059) "for about a week", then hopefully from IOTA group OC-226 (Mokil and Pingelap Atolls, "but it all depends on WX and other factors") and finally from Pohnpei (OC-010). Main activity is expected on 20 metres SSB, possibly with some CW. QSL via home call, direct and bureau, and LoTW. [TNX OPDX Bulletin]
VP2M - Jack, KB8RJ (VP2MRS) and Crissie, WD8KUR (VP2MUR) will be active from Montserrat (NA-103) from 20 February to 14 March. They will operate holiday style on 80-10 metres, mainly SSB with some PSK31. QSL via KB8RJ.
W - Members of the Palos Verdes ARC will operate as K6PV/6 from Santa Catalina Island (NA-066) on 20-24 February. They plan to run two stations on 160, 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 metres, possibily also on 17, 12 and 6 metres. Main activity will be on SSB, but they will be able to work CW, RTYY and PSK31 as well. QSL via K6PV. [TNX rsgbiota.org]
XE - Ismael XE1AY, Benjamin XE1AU, Armando XE1CIC and Enrique XE2AA will be active as XF2E from Isla de Venados (NA-171) on 21-26 April. They will be QRV on the HF bands and 6 metres. QSL via IT9EJW.
XT - JA3VWT (XT2VWT), JH3AEF (XT2AEF), JA3IVU (XT2IVU) and JA1CJA (XT2CJA) will be active from Burkina Faso from 22 February to 2 March. They will operate SSB, CW and digital modes on 80-10 metres. QSL via home calls. [TNX The Daily DX]
YB - Ucok YB6AR, Adhi YB3MM, Budi YF1AR and Evendi YC6EI will be active as YE6A from Rondo Island (OC-245) on 9-17 March. QSL via IZ8CCW. They have a website at www.mdxc.org/oc-245/
YO - Special event callsign YO2013EYOWF will be active on 15-24 February for the European Youth Olympic Winter Festival to be held in Brasov, Romania. Expect activity on 80-10 metres SSB, CW and digital modes. QSL via YO6MP. Information on the relevant award can be found at www.qrz.com/db/YO2013EYOWF
Z8 - Ken, K4ZW will be active again as Z81Z from Juba, South Sudan from 25 February to 6 March. He plans to be QRV on the low bands as time permits. QSL via home call. [TNX The Daily DX]

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** GOOD TO KNOW ... ****
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3D2C ---> The International DX Association has been given the first video of the Conway Reef DXpedition (3D2C) from September 2012. This 25 minute video is on the INDEXA web site (www.indexa.org) and can be viewed by clicking on the "DXpedition Videos" tab. [TNX K4MQG]

ANTARCTIC ACTIVITY WEEK ---> The Worldwide Antarctic Program has announced that the 10th Antarctic Activity Week will be held from 18 to 24 February. The aim of this annual event is to promote worldwide interest in the Antarctic continent. Special callsigns (QSL via operator's instructions) are expected to be aired during this year's AAW from the following countries:
Australia VK2ANT
Bulgaria LZ10ANT
Canada VA3WAP, VA7AAW
France TM10AAW, TM10WAP
India AT3ANT
Italy II2ANT, II5ANT, IO5ANT, IO5SP, IP2ANT, IP8AAW, IR0WAP, IR1ANT, IR1SP, IR7WAP
Poland HF0A
Romania YQ0ANT, YQ8ANT
Spain AO1ICE, AO4HAG, AO7WAP, EG1WAA
Switzerland HB9ICE
The Netherlands PA6ANT, PF13ANT
USA K0ANT, K4A, K4K, N6A
Complete information on the AAW can be found at www.waponline.it

CO8DM & LOTW ---> Doug, CO8DM is converting his paper logs into electronic format and uploads them to LoTW. This is an error-prone exercise, so if you cannot find a match on LoTW, please email your QSO data to Doug for him to correct any error. [TNX CO8DM]

DXCC NEWS ---> The following operations have been approved for DXCC credit: 5X8C (Uganda, current operation), T6BP (Afghanistan, operation commencing in 2011), T6TJ (Afghanistan, operation commencing in 2012), Z81A and Z81D (Republic of South Sudan, current operations commencing in 2012).

IOTA NEWS ---> The following operations in the period October 2012/January 2013 have provided acceptable validation and are therefore approved for IOTA credit: RA4HKM/0 (AS-025), C6AVA (NA-048 & NA-054), YB4IR/5 (OC-075), L22D (SA-022) and LU6W (SA-096). SA-096 is now confirmed as a valid IOTA group. [TNX G3KMA]

LIGHTHOUSE WEEKEND ---> The fifth South American Lighthouses Weekend will be held on 22-24 February. Details, including a listing of partecipating stations, can be found at www.grupodxbb.com.ar/faros2013/index.htm

QSL VIA F5OZC ---> Alain, F5OZC has logs and cards for the following operations by F8DQZ: 3XD02 & 3XD02/p (AF-051, April 2003), J5UAT & J5UAT/p (AF-020, April-May 2003), 3XDQZ/p (April 2004, the first and so far only operation from IOTA group AF-096) and F8DQZ/p (EU-105, August 2004). QSL direct only to Alain Rebondy, 4 rue des Violettes, 49260 Breze, France. [TNX VE3VHB]

QSLs received direct or through managers: 1A0C, 2O12L, 3C0C, 3D2C, 3W2J,
4S7KM, 4S7NE, 5T0SP, 5T5BV, 5U5U, 5W1SA, 5Z4/DL7UCX, 6W7/N1SNB, 6Y5IC, 7O6T,
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9M6YBG, 9N7MD, 9Y4/DL8DYL, 9Y4/DL9DRA, A92GR, AH0/N0AT, AH0KT, BV7GC, C31CT,
C50C, C5A, C6AVA, CP4BT, CP6XE, D64K, DS3HWS, EK6TA, ES9C, ET3AA, FM5BH,
FR4NT, H40FN, H44MS, HH2/9A7GAE, HK3C, HV0A, IS0/K7QB, J28NC, J6/N7QT,
J79WE, J88CG, JD1BMH, JG8NQJ/JD1, JY4CI, KP2/NM2O, LR5H, MU/PA9M, OD5NJ,
OJ0R, OX3LX, P29VCX (OC-025, OC-103, OC-135, OC-240), PJ4LS, PJ5J, PZ5RA,
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V84SMD, VK6WDI (OC-170), VK9CS, VK9XS, VO2NS, VP2EKG, VP2MRV, VP8LP, VU2ELJ,
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20614. 425 DX Calendar - #1137

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-15 17:18:42 UTC
From: r_brothers
Topic: 20614 Message: 20614

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20615. T47RRC & 5X8C

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-15 18:36:12 UTC
From: VE1AL
Topic: 20615 Message: 20615

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Neither of them appears to have realized the other is there but surely there must be confusion over the pileups!!!

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73

Al, VE1AL

20616. Re: [DX-IS] T47RRC & 5X8C

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-15 18:39:49 UTC
From: John G.
Topic: 20615 Message: 20616

Congrats Al! T48RRC is finished. Unfortuntately I missed that one as I have pulled my QSLs and am getting ready to send in for my basic IOTA award.

Worked T47RRC on 17m CW today. Now hearing 9U4U on 17 but not real loud and no luck yet. Copied the 5x for the first tiime yesterday on 20m RTTY. No luck with them yet. Hopefully this weekend.

John AF5CC
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20617. RE: [DX-IS] T47RRC & 5X8C

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-15 18:46:46 UTC
From: VE1AL
Topic: 20615 Message: 20617

Good for you on the 9U4. Haven't even heard him yet! :-(

I was totally unaware of the T4 operations, John, but will now go to the net and see what I can find. I assume from what you said, the guys moved from one island to another (NA218 to NA086) so I now have them both.

A spot check shows the last report of T48RRC at 1548 today (although I suspect that is wrong)...more like 0900.

We'll see.

Good luck.

73

Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of John G.
Sent: Friday, February 15, 2013 2:40 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] T47RRC & 5X8C

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20618. Half an antenna is better than none!!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-15 19:27:44 UTC
From: Bob
Topic: 20618 Message: 20618

Okay here is one for the live and learn list....

Spent the last 3 weeks at my place in the Western Maine Mountains...

Wanted to try JT65 so I loaded it and in the space of a week gave out Maine Digital to around 200 contacts on a variety of bands. I then saw that 5X8C was active so I tried to work them. All on low power. They were very light! but amazingly the got me in just a few calls on 80, 40, 15, &12. This got me thinking.

I switched from my 140' beloved doublet to my back up G5RV. Wires and vertical are the only option in the wind blown mountains. Amazing the received signal jumped 3-4 S units. Huh?

A visual of the antenna showed that the strap that connects the north side of the dipole to the ladderline was hanging free. Somehow my MFJ Auto tuner didn't care that I had half an antenna and tuned it right up.

Couple hundred JT65 contacts and 5 new DXbands with a 70foot wire.

Next trip will be with repair parts and my 2zillion watt soldering iron.
Then again maybe I should try tuning up a window frame....

/bob

20619. Re: [DX-IS] Half an antenna is better than none!!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-15 20:12:37 UTC
From: Derek Wills
Topic: 20618 Message: 20619

I've been able to load up a 40m wire dipole on 30m and work stuff, contrary to the laws of Physics. I worked 5N7M on 30m with one call, and some Europeans at various times.

It didn't work on 5X8C, though - they just CQ'd back in my face...

The nominal 100 watts is probably 1 W when it leaves the antenna, and some people can hear that. 5X8C couldn't.

Derek
aa5bt

20620. Re: [DX-IS] Half an antenna is better than none!!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-15 20:25:28 UTC
From: John
Topic: 20618 Message: 20620

Now you make me feel really bad, as I haven't been able to work 5X8C yet
with a whole antenna!

John AF5CC

On Fri, Feb 15, 2013 at 1:27 PM, Bob <kb1jzu@...> wrote:

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20621. Re: Half an antenna is better than none!!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-15 22:44:17 UTC
From: Bob
Topic: 20618 Message: 20621

John

Please don't feel bad. I am at 1500 feet in a valley that face EU/Africa. Piece of cake!

In that location there is also ZERO noise.

However south is a mountain (hard to work SA) and the altitude gives me some limits with Asia and the S Pacific.

What nature gives she also takes away. That is why I enjoy working folks from that location because it is like a different world.

Bob

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, John <af5cc@...> wrote:
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> with a whole antenna!
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> John AF5CC
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20622. V84SMD QSL

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-16 00:04:29 UTC
From: Bob
Topic: 20622 Message: 20622

The QSL card from this MDXC DXpedition showed up in the mail today.
Nice card.....

20623. ARLP007 Propagation de K7RA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-15 20:11:07 UTC
From: jjreisert@...
Topic: 1144 Message: 20623

SB PROP @ ARL $ARLP007
ARLP007 Propagation de K7RA

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QST de W1AW
Propagation Forecast Bulletin 7 ARLP007
>From Tad Cook, K7RA
Seattle, WA February 15, 2013
To all radio amateurs

SB PROP ARL ARLP007
ARLP007 Propagation de K7RA

Low levels of solar activity continue, the same as the past few weeks. Sunspot numbers remain remarkably consistent, with average daily numbers for the four reporting weeks since January 17 at 56.4, 55.7, 50.7 and finally 51.3 for the past week. As you can see, average daily sunspot numbers rose less than a point from the previous week to the past week. Average daily solar flux receded 2.4 points to 104. Geomagnetic conditions remain calm.

The ARRL International DX CW Contest is this weekend. Conditions will probably be about the same as last year, because solar activity is about the same as this time in 2012. See http://www.arrl.org/arrl-dx for contest details.

The latest prediction for solar flux shows values of 100 for February 15-16, 105 on February 17-19, 100 on February 20-22, 115 on February 23-24, 110 and 105 on February 25-26, 100 on February 27 through March 3, 95 on March 4-9,115 on March 10 and 120 on March 11-13.

The predicted planetary A index is 5 on February 15-20, 9 on February 21-22, 8 on February 23, 5 on February 24-28, then 10 and 8 on March 1-2, and 5 on March 3-17.

Every week F.K. Janda, OK1HH gives us his thoughts on geomagnetic conditions over the next few weeks. Generally for HF propagation, particularly for the higher bands (10-20 meters) we would like to see very little geomagnetic activity, but with as many sunspots and as much solar flux as possible. We have seen a lot of quiet geomagnetic conditions over the past few years, but not much in the way of sunspots or high solar flux values.

OK1HH suggests the geomagnetic field will be quiet to unsettled on February 15-16, quiet on February 17-21, quiet to active February 22, active to disturbed February 23, mostly quiet February 24-25,

quiet February 26-28, quiet to unsettled March 1, quiet to active March 2, mostly quiet March 3, quiet to unsettled March 4, quiet March 5-6, mostly quiet March 7-8, quiet March 9, and quiet to active on March 10.

Don't miss the article in the March issue of QST, by Carl Luetzelschwab, K9LA titled "The Sun and the Ionosphere." It begins on page 48, gives an update on Cycle 24, and discusses measuring the Sun and ionosphere and relating solar flux to MUF, or Maximum Usable Frequency.

Neil Shapiro, W2NLS of Bethpage, which is on New York's Long Island, asked about relating the information in these bulletins to practical on-the-air results.

I suggested checking out the resources listed at the bottom of each bulletin, from the ARRL Technical Information Service and also the resources from the K9LA website.

One useful tool is to download the free program W6ELprop (which works on the Windows operating system) from http://www.qsl.net/w6elprop/.

You will need to enter your latitude and longitude for your default station location, and a useful tool for converting street addresses to geographical coordinates is at http://www.latlong.net/convert-address-to-lat-long.html.

You can use an average of the previous 5 days sunspot numbers from here:

http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/ftpdir/indices/DSD.txt

For the K index, either use the latest Middle Latitude numbers from here:

http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/ftpdir/indices/DGD.txt

Or use the planetary number from WWV:

http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/ftpdir/latest/wwv.txt

I ran the numbers for Neil on February 15, from his QTH to the Czech Republic. It looks like 15 meters is a good bet from 1430-1700z, 17 meters 1330-1800z, and 20 meters over the same period as 17 meters, but stronger signals on 17 meters (assuming power levels and antennas are equal). It looks like 30 meters should open up around 1800z, and have strongest signals 2130-0100z, and 40 meters 2000-1000z, with best signals around 2230-0630z.

An alternative to sunspot numbers would be to use solar flux. You can set W6ELprop to default to either type, or change it on the fly by entering F103 (for example) as solar flux of 103, or S66 as

sunspot number of 66.

The engine used for driving W6ELprop was originally designed to work with the predicted smoothed sunspot number for the month, and it doesn't really work well to try to use the latest day's numbers. So an average for the past 5 days is a compromise.

Another useful tool is a new one from Stu Phillips, K6TU of Woodside, California: http://k6tu.net/.

This one is interesting. You subscribe to this service (but I think there is a free trial) and tell it what kind of prediction you want to run, then after making the calculations, it emails a link that you use to display them. For each band, you can step through hour-by-hour to see maps showing where your signals will be strongest, with different colors used to express different signal levels. It is interesting to see how the coverage areas shift, hour-by-hour.

We heard from Peter Thulesen, OX3XR in Nuuk, Greenland. He wrote, "Just to report my observations on 28 MHz propagation from Greenland (grid GP44) to North America, US and VE in the evenings after sunset here in Greenland. Around 2000-2200 UTC I very often have worked several/many stations on 28 MHz CW from all US and VE. This has been the situation January 2013. In the weekends where I have the possibility to monitor the bands during the day 28 MHz seems to be more dead towards W and VE than in the evening just after sunset.

"In the evening after sunset 28 MHz seems dead listening on the band. However, after calling CQ a few times around 28.025 MHz W and VE stations start to answer my call. The signal strength is good up to 599 and stable signals with only little QSB.

"When conditions have dropped for CW contacts I can normally continue working JT65 stations on 28 MHz, maybe another 30-45 minutes. I'm using a sloping dipole toward Europe and 100 watts."

Jeff, N8II of West Virginia wrote: "The seasonal changes we expect on the bands are occurring. Long path propagation has disappeared on 30 meters into SE Asia and the evening openings much improved on 12 thru 20 meters into East Asia. We get JAs some nights in the 2200Z hour on 12, 15 is better and on 20 CW the JTs, JT1AA/3 and JT1E, are much louder around 0100Z along with good openings to UA0U area which were almost nil in mid January.

"Conditions have been quite good at times into central Asia on the low bands. 4S7NE was logged around 0125Z on 40 meters CW on the February 8, T6LG continues to be active on 80 CW and EY8MM was also heard around their sunrise.

"I had quite a struggle completing a QSO with K7EKD near Seattle for his last state on 160 meters due to high noise on his end, but we

made it at 0200Z on the February 7."

When Jeff mentioned K7EKD, I thought the call sounded eerily familiar. K7EKD taught electronics in my high school. I spoke with him a few times, but unfortunately was expelled from school (hey, it was the late 1960s!) before I got around to taking any of his classes. At that point I was WA7CSK and had been on the air four years. It was certainly an interesting time to be a teenager.

If you would like to make a comment or have a tip for our readers, email the author at, k7ra@....

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service web page at http://arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals. For an explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin, see http://arrl.org/the-sun-the-earth-the-ionosphere. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at http://arrl.org/w1aw-bulletins-archive-propagation. Find more good information and tutorials on propagation at http://myplace.frontier.com/~k9la/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://arrl.org/propagation.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of ARRL bulletins are at http://arrl.org/bulletins.

Sunspot numbers for February 7 through 13 were 58, 57, 58, 45, 60, 55, and 26, with a mean of 51.3. 10.7 cm flux was 102.8, 104.2, 107.6, 105.9, 105.2, 101.8, and 100.3, with a mean of 104. Estimated planetary A indices were 6, 7, 3, 4, 4, 4, and 11, with a mean of 5.6. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 7, 8, 3, 3, 3, 3, and 9, with a mean of 5.1.
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20624. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-16 14:01:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 20624

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:Issued: 2013 Feb 16 1256 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30216
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 16 Feb 2013, 1217UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 16 Feb 2013 until 18 Feb 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >= 50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 16 Feb 2013 10CM FLUX: 103 / AP: 001
PREDICTIONS FOR 17 Feb 2013 10CM FLUX: 105 / AP: 008
PREDICTIONS FOR 18 Feb 2013 10CM FLUX: 107 / AP: 011
COMMENT: Flaring activity was low during the past 24 hours, and it is
expected that the next 48 hours should be mostly quiet, with however a
risk for C class flares from NOAA ARs 1670 and 1673. A CME was observed
on Feb. 15, around 1736 UT on LASCO C2. It is a partial halo event,
originating from a small eruptive event taking place to the south-east
of NOAA AR 1671 around 1615UT. Due to the position of the source region,
this event might arrive at Earth, although STEREO observations are
scarce at the time this bulletin is prepared. Preliminary estimates give
an arrival around Feb. 20, but this will be refined as new information
is available. Unsettled to active conditions might be expected from this
event. In the meanwhile, geomagnetic conditions are expected to be
mostly quiet to unsettled for the next 48 hours.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 022, BASED ON 06 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 15 Feb 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 057
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 100
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 010
AK WINGST : 006
ESTIMATED AP : 005
ESTIMATED ISN : 027, BASED ON 16 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
END
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20625. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-17 14:01:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 20625

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:Issued: 2013 Feb 17 1241 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30217
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 17 Feb 2013, 1157UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 17 Feb 2013 until 19 Feb 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >= 50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 17 Feb 2013 10CM FLUX: 108 / AP: 006
PREDICTIONS FOR 18 Feb 2013 10CM FLUX: 112 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 19 Feb 2013 10CM FLUX: 116 / AP: 011
COMMENT: Solar activity was low during the past 24 hours, with only a
C1.0 flare on Feb. 17 (0036 UT peak time) from a new region, NOAA AR
1675, which emerged on Feb. 16. This is the main source for additional C
flares in the next 48 hours, together, albeit with a lower probability,
with NOAA AR 1671 and 1673. Geomagnetic activity was unsettled to active
at planetary levels and reached even minor storm conditions at local
level (K=5 at Dourbes from 15 to 18UT). This corresponds to a small
shock observed by the ACE spacecraft around 1200 UT, linked to a
moderate fast solar wind stream, associated with a coronal hole becoming
geoeffective. Bz excursions down to -10 nT were observed on that day
around 1400UT. We expect quiet conditions to prevail for the next 48
hours, and then reach unsettled to possibly active conditions for
isolated periods, by the end of Feb. 19, or the the first half of Feb.
20, due to the arrival of the CME of Feb. 15.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 061, BASED ON 05 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 16 Feb 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 103
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 019
AK WINGST : 010
ESTIMATED AP : 011
ESTIMATED ISN : 021, BASED ON 07 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
END
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20626. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-18 14:01:15 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 20626

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:Issued: 2013 Feb 18 1234 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30218
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 18 Feb 2013, 1115UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 18 Feb 2013 until 20 Feb 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Quiet conditions (<50% probability of C-class flares)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 18 Feb 2013 10CM FLUX: 108 / AP: 004
PREDICTIONS FOR 19 Feb 2013 10CM FLUX: 111 / AP: 004
PREDICTIONS FOR 20 Feb 2013 10CM FLUX: 115 / AP: 004
COMMENT: There are currently 5 active regions on the solar disk where
NOAA 11675 is the most active, featuring one M1.9 flare on February 17th
with peak time at 15:50 UT. The solar activity is expected to remain
quiet, but a C or even M flare is still possible from AR NOAA 11675.
Moderate to active K levels where measured at Dourbes from February
17th 12:00 UT until February 17th 00:00 UT. Quiet conditions are
expected for the next 48h.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 069, BASED ON 09 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 17 Feb 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 106
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 014
AK WINGST : 010
ESTIMATED AP : 009
ESTIMATED ISN : 053, BASED ON 17 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
17 1545 1550 1552 N12E22 M1.9 SF 340 III/2 1675
END
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20627. EP3SMH

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-18 16:28:37 UTC
From: Jerry Keller (K3BZ)
Topic: 20627 Message: 20627

Worked him this morning on 15M SSB. Worked a different EP before
but unable to get a QSL. Anyone had any luck? Any suggestions?

73, Jerry K3BZ

20628. Re: [DX-IS] EP3SMH

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-18 16:32:33 UTC
From: Derek Wills
Topic: 20627 Message: 20628

> Worked him this morning on 15M SSB. Worked a different EP before
> but unable to get a QSL. Anyone had any luck? Any suggestions?
> 73, Jerry K3BZ

His qrz.com entry asks for $9 plus an IRC - good luck!

Derek
aa5bt

20629. Re: [DX-IS] EP3SMH

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-18 16:34:36 UTC
From: Richard Solomon
Topic: 20627 Message: 20629

There was some EP on a few days ago asking for $10 for his
QSL card. I wonder if he's the same guy.

But, in any way, good luck, almost as easy as a card from Fidel !!

73, dICK, w1ksz

On Mon, Feb 18, 2013 at 9:28 AM, Jerry Keller (K3BZ) <k3bz@...> wrote:

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> Worked him this morning on 15M SSB. Worked a different EP before
> but unable to get a QSL. Anyone had any luck? Any suggestions?
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> 73, Jerry K3BZ
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20630. RE: [DX-IS] EP3SMH

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-18 16:41:22 UTC
From: VE1AL
Topic: 20627 Message: 20630

That's absolutely outrageous! By the time I got an envelope in the mail it would be Cdn$16.00. One advantage of being an OT (there are few) is that I've got EP confirmed 15 thru 40 so I won't have to get an Iranian confirmation by mortgaging my house.

73

Al, VE1AL

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Derek Wills
Sent: Monday, February 18, 2013 12:33 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] EP3SMH

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Yahoo! Groups Links

20631. Re: [DX-IS] EP3SMH

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-18 16:49:29 UTC
From: Derek Wills
Topic: 20627 Message: 20631

> There was some EP on a few days ago asking for $10 for his
> QSL card. I wonder if he's the same guy.

Probably. The "$9 plus 1 IRC" is strange - if IRCs are valid in EP, one should be enough without the $$. If they're not, why would he want one?

I've only ever worked two real EPs (not counting Romeo) - one was the 'bus boys' HA5BUS, who were EP/HA5BUS (they also gave me S2), and the other was EP2MKO. For the latter I collected cards from some local DXers who chipped in a dollar or two, and sent them in a group, via registered mail, to the Russian manager - we all got cards OK.

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20632. Re: [DX-IS] EP3SMH

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-18 17:02:19 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 20627 Message: 20632

A local ham sent him $10 by registered mail. He just got an e-mail from EP3SMH saying he received the QSL and $10 and would be sending one back soon. Hopefully he does.

73, Zack W9SZ

On Mon, Feb 18, 2013 at 10:28 AM, Jerry Keller (K3BZ) <k3bz@...> wrote:

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20633. Re: [DX-IS] EP3SMH

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-18 17:02:37 UTC
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy (K5MWH)
Topic: 20627 Message: 20633

On 2/18/2013 10:32 AM, Derek Wills wrote:
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> > Worked him this morning on 15M SSB. Worked a different EP before
> > but unable to get a QSL. Anyone had any luck? Any suggestions?
> > 73, Jerry K3BZ
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> Derek
> aa5bt
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There will be no days like that!!!

73,
Mike, W5UC
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20634. Re: [DX-IS] EP3SMH

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-18 17:04:17 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 20627 Message: 20634

I have not worked an EP yet. It is one of six countries I have not worked yet. I suspect the next new one I work will either be YA/T6 or Z8.

73, Zack W9SZ

On Mon, Feb 18, 2013 at 10:49 AM, Derek Wills <oo7@....edu>wrote:

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> > There was some EP on a few days ago asking for $10 for his
> > QSL card. I wonder if he's the same guy.
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> Probably. The "$9 plus 1 IRC" is strange - if IRCs are valid in EP,
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20635. Re: [DX-IS] EP3SMH

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-18 17:15:53 UTC
From: KT0DX
Topic: 20627 Message: 20635

I have sent a card twice to him and did everything as he requested and still no card for a QSO on 10 meters back in 2001. I may try to do it one more time and send it registered mail. He is the only country I do not have a card for.

Steve
KT0DX
On 2/18/2013 16:28, Jerry Keller (K3BZ) wrote:
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> Worked him this morning on 15M SSB. Worked a different EP before
> but unable to get a QSL. Anyone had any luck? Any suggestions?
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> 73, Jerry K3BZ
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20636. Re: [DX-IS] EP3SMH

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-18 17:20:52 UTC
From: DO1DXX
Topic: 20627 Message: 20636

Hi all,

I worked Mohsen 23rd Dec 2012 on 15m RTTY. When I looked at his QRZ.com, I read that he requested 5 USD due to high postage in Iran.

I send Mohsen an email, asking if he can even use Euros and if I can send my QSL card registered. Shortly I got a notice back, that both is possible.

So I did and send 5 Euros (= 6.67 USD).

Later I got an email from Mohsen again, saying that he was at his local postoffice, and postage is now 10 USD. He noticed that it has something to do with the embargo.

Some days later, Mohsen send me a copy of my QSL card via email and he said, that my QSL card is in the mail.

It arrived here safely. So for me he is *NOT* an USD hunter - he QSLs.

Thank you Mohsen!

Andy - DO1DXX

-----Ursprüngliche Mitteilung-----
Von: Jerry Keller (K3BZ) <k3bz@...>
An: (REFLECTOR) DX-IS <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Verschickt: Mo, 18 Feb 2013 5:29 pm
Betreff: [DX-IS] EP3SMH

Worked him this morning on 15M SSB. Worked a different EP before but unable to get a QSL. Anyone had any luck? Any suggestions?

73, Jerry K3BZ

20637. Re: [DX-IS] EP3SMH

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-19 03:32:54 UTC
From: Jerry Keller (K3BZ)
Topic: 20627 Message: 20637

Thanks, Zack, that's encouraging. $10 is a lot even if it's successful, but it would be far worse not to receive anything in return. I'm still debating what to do. 73, Jerry K3BZ

On 2/18/2013 12:02 PM, Zack Widup wrote:
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20638. Re: [DX-IS] EP3SMH

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-19 03:38:28 UTC
From: Jerry Keller (K3BZ)
Topic: 20627 Message: 20638

That's good news, Andy, thanks. But I'm guessing that from EP there's a
big difference between mailing something to Germany and mailing it to
the US. I guess it's worth a try though.
73, OM.... Jerry K3BZ

On 2/18/2013 12:20 PM, DO1DXX wrote:
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> Hi all,
> I worked Mohsen 23rd Dec 2012 on 15m RTTY. When I looked at his
> QRZ.com, I read
> that he requested 5 USD due to high postage in Iran.
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> Thank you Mohsen!
> Andy - DO1DXX
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20639. Re: [DX-IS] EP3SMH

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-19 03:47:08 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 20627 Message: 20639

On 2/18/2013 11:38 PM, Jerry Keller (K3BZ) wrote:
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> That's good news, Andy, thanks. But I'm guessing that from EP there's a
> big difference between mailing something to Germany and mailing it to
> the US. I guess it's worth a try though.
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> On 2/18/2013 12:20 PM, DO1DXX wrote:
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>> Von: Jerry Keller (K3BZ) <k3bz@...>
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After all these years, I suspect most of us know a DXer in Germany
(or elsewhere in EU) we could send out QSL package (QSL, envelopes and
return postage) to and they would then mail it to EP for us. Use an
intermediary you trust and that might work if you don't want to go direct.

If I needed that one bad, I'd be asking all my pals in EU or AS or wherever to go to bat for me in terms of getting the QSL there and back. There is nothing better than getting a new one confirmed.

73, Paul VE1DX

20640. thanks to 9Y

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-19 04:57:31 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 20640 Message: 20640

Hi Guys,

I just wanted to thank 9Y4NW, DL7VOG and DL8DYL for their efforts on CW of recent months in 9Y land. As you all know the polar path propagation (for VK6 to east Caribbean and South America) is never stable so one has to be there at the right time to make the QSO. I was able to get these guys without skeds and I thank them for listening in the gaps for us weak sigs down under.

I finally have 9Y confirmed on CW!

A lot of VKs still need PJ2/4/5/7 on multiple modes and some VK6s for an all-time new one and mode/band.
For me I need PJ4/6 on RTTY.

I know it's just a matter of time and a lot of DXers are activating these spots. If you are going down that way (on behalf of the VK dxers), could you please spare a few minutes in your busy pileups for us?

For all South American and Caribbean stations: "Equinox is near upon us, propagation tends to get a lift at this time of year especially over the poles, so I hope to hear you guys on the band soon."

Keep at 'em.

73, Lance - VK6DU

20641. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-19 14:01:03 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 20641

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:Issued: 2013 Feb 19 1210 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30219
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 19 Feb 2013, 1146UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 19 Feb 2013 until 21 Feb 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >= 50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 19 Feb 2013 10CM FLUX: 105 / AP: 004
PREDICTIONS FOR 20 Feb 2013 10CM FLUX: 103 / AP: 009
PREDICTIONS FOR 21 Feb 2013 10CM FLUX: 102 / AP: 004
COMMENT: There are currently 9 AR on the solar disk as counted by
Catania. (6 AR counted by NOAA). Solar activity was low featering one
long duration C2.2 flare peaking at 10:51 UT. Solar activity is expected
to rise slightly due to the upcoming Catania AR 95 (NOAA 11678) Which
also seemed the source of the long duration flare.
Geomagnetic activity was quiet to moderate and is expected to remain so
for the next 48 hours. Moderate activity is possible due to the arrival
of the CME of February 15th.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 074, BASED ON 11 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 18 Feb 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 105
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 012
AK WINGST : 006
ESTIMATED AP : 005
ESTIMATED ISN : 070, BASED ON 20 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
END
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20642. e-mail DL7VOG?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-19 15:28:12 UTC
From: VE1AL
Topic: 20642 Message: 20642

Can anyone tell me how to contact DL7VOG by e-mail? On QRZ.com the e-mail address takes me to some stupid auction site.

73

Al, VE1AL

20643. Re: [DX-IS] e-mail DL7VOG?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-19 15:35:21 UTC
From: Paul Stoetzer
Topic: 20642 Message: 20643

gerd@...

73,

Paul, N8HM

On Tue, Feb 19, 2013 at 10:28 AM, VE1AL <ve1al@...> wrote:

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> address takes me to some stupid auction site.
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> 73
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> Al, VE1AL
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20644. RE: [DX-IS] e-mail DL7VOG?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-19 15:42:49 UTC
From: VE1AL
Topic: 20642 Message: 20644

Many thanks, Paul. I've sent a note to him at the address you provided.

73

Al, VE1AL

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of
Paul Stoetzer
Sent: Tuesday, February 19, 2013 11:35 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] e-mail DL7VOG?

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73,

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20645. Re: [DX-IS] EP3SMH

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-20 02:56:34 UTC
From: dale cole
Topic: 20627 Message: 20645

Jerry.....how long ago on the prievous q? I have an old "flying horse" from the '60s that I would share the info to any one who needed it.
Dale K8TS
(they are probly sk by now, but there is always chance I can help someone)

From: Derek Wills <oo7@....utexas.edu>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Mon, February 18, 2013 11:33:03 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] EP3SMH

> Worked him this morning on 15M SSB. Worked a different EP before
> but unable to get a QSL. Anyone had any luck? Any suggestions?
> 73, Jerry K3BZ

His qrz.com entry asks for $9 plus an IRC - good luck!

Derek
aa5bt

20646. RE: [DX-IS] EP3SMH

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-20 03:54:28 UTC
From: KQ8M
Topic: 20627 Message: 20646

I was lucky and worked EP2TY back in the 80's. It was a Japanese gentleman and he automatically QSL'd every QSO via the bureau.

73,

Tim Herrick, KQ8M

Charter Member North Coast Contesters

kq8m@...

AR-Cluster V6 kq8m.no-ip.org

User Ports: 23, 7373 with local skimmer, 7374 without local skimmer

Server Ports: V6 3607, V4 Active 3605, V4 Passive 3606

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of dale cole
Sent: Tuesday, February 19, 2013 9:57 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] EP3SMH

Jerry.....how long ago on the prievous q? I have an old "flying horse" from the '60s that I would share the info to any one who needed it.

Dale K8TS

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To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Mon, February 18, 2013 11:33:03 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] EP3SMH

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> but unable to get a QSL. Anyone had any luck? Any suggestions?
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20647. RE: [DX-IS] EP3SMH

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-20 05:06:46 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 20627 Message: 20647

Hi Guys,

When I got back on air in 2005 I didn’t have a QSO with EP in the log.

Since then I have had 10 and the best guy to work is EP3PK Pooyan as he is LOTW and still active (my last QSO with him Jan 2012). 3 modes confirmed.

He has an email address on QRZ.com, so maybe you can set up a sked with him.

I do have a QSO with EP3SMH but $10 is a bit rich…

73, Lance – VK6DU

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of KQ8M
Sent: Wednesday, 20 February 2013 11:54 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] EP3SMH

I was lucky and worked EP2TY back in the 80's. It was a Japanese gentleman and he automatically QSL'd every QSO via the bureau.

73,
Tim Herrick, KQ8M
Charter Member North Coast Contesters
kq8m@kq8m.com<mailto:kq8m@kq8m.com>

AR-Cluster V6 kq8m.no-ip.org
User Ports: 23, 7373 with local skimmer, 7374 without local skimmer
Server Ports: V6 3607, V4 Active 3605, V4 Passive 3606

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com<mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com> [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of dale cole
Sent: Tuesday, February 19, 2013 9:57 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com<mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] EP3SMH

Jerry.....how long ago on the prievous q? I have an old "flying horse" from the '60s that I would share the info to any one who needed it.
Dale K8TS
(they are probly sk by now, but there is always chance I can help someone)

From: Derek Wills <oo7@astro.as.utexas.edu<mailto:oo7@astro.as.utexas.edu>>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com<mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Mon, February 18, 2013 11:33:03 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] EP3SMH

> Worked him this morning on 15M SSB. Worked a different EP before
> but unable to get a QSL. Anyone had any luck? Any suggestions?
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20648. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-20 14:01:03 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 20648

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:Issued: 2013 Feb 20 1154 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30220
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 20 Feb 2013, 1129UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 20 Feb 2013 until 22 Feb 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >= 50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 20 Feb 2013 10CM FLUX: 118 / AP: 003
PREDICTIONS FOR 21 Feb 2013 10CM FLUX: 120 / AP: 004
PREDICTIONS FOR 22 Feb 2013 10CM FLUX: 121 / AP: 004
COMMENT: Currently there are 9 Catania AR on the solar disk (7 NOAA AR).
AR Catania 95 (NOAA 11678) has increased its complexity to
Beta-Gamma-Delta configuration and therefore has a high flaring
probability. C flaring and potentially an isolated M flare is expected
especially from this region.
An Earth directed CME with potential glancing blow was observed by
STEREO on February 19th around 07:10 UT in both STEREO A & B, but there
is insufficient data available to give more information.
Geomagnetic activity was quiet to moderate and is expected to remain so
for the next 48 hours.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 071, BASED ON 16 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 19 Feb 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 142
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 112
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 013
AK WINGST : 008
ESTIMATED AP : 006
ESTIMATED ISN : 074, BASED ON 16 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
END
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20649. Re: EP3SMH

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-20 18:51:49 UTC
From: Bob
Topic: 20627 Message: 20649

Jerry

I received direct QSLs back from both EP3SMH & EP3HF in 2008.
But it was standard green stamps/IRC at that time.

Bob KB1JZU

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "Jerry Keller (K3BZ)" <k3bz@...> wrote:
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> Worked him this morning on 15M SSB. Worked a different EP before
> but unable to get a QSL. Anyone had any luck? Any suggestions?
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> 73, Jerry K3BZ
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20650. Re: [DX-IS] Re: EP3SMH

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-20 20:42:29 UTC
From: Jerry Keller (K3BZ)
Topic: 20627 Message: 20650

Thanks, Bob, I guess the times are a-changing.... 73, Jerry K3BZ

On 2/20/2013 1:51 PM, Bob wrote:
> Jerry
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> I received direct QSLs back from both EP3SMH & EP3HF in 2008.
> But it was standard green stamps/IRC at that time.
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> Bob KB1JZU
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>> but unable to get a QSL. Anyone had any luck? Any suggestions?
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>> 73, Jerry K3BZ
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20651. Re: [DX-IS] EP3SMH

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-20 22:10:22 UTC
From: Jerry Keller (K3BZ)
Topic: 20627 Message: 20651

Thanks, Dale, appreciate the offer. I will give direct QSL a try. 73,
Jerry K3BZ

On 2/19/2013 9:56 PM, dale cole wrote:
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> Jerry.....how long ago on the prievous q? I have an old "flying
> horse" from the '60s that I would share the info to any one who needed it.
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> *From:* Derek Wills <oo7@...>
> *To:* DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> *Sent:* Mon, February 18, 2013 11:33:03 AM
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20652. EA9

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-21 04:13:04 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 9164 Message: 20652

Hi Guys,

Managed to work Norbert DL2RNS finally today for a new one on 30m CW and I guess I was lucky to get through as the pileup has been huge from EU every time I hear this guy.

It never ceases to amaze me for the demand from EU for C3, EA9, T7, 1A0, OJ0 (and off course SV/A that we can't hear out this way) that are right on their doorstep...hardly DX....

So I would love to see more activity from these areas, so that us remote guys can get through....

73, Lance - VK6DU

20653. Re: [DX-IS] EA9

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-21 04:46:28 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 9164 Message: 20653

On 2/21/2013 12:13 AM, Lance Martin wrote:
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> Hi Guys,
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> I guess I was lucky to get through as the pileup has been huge from EU
> every time I hear this guy.
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> OJ0 (and off course SV/A that we can?t hear out this way) that are right
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> So I would love to see more activity from these areas, so that us remote
> guys can get through?.
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> 73, Lance ? VK6DU
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Congratulations on the catch, Lance! None of the ones you mentioned are rare and are activated quite often (although SV/A does go in spurts.) I worked EA9/DL2RNS on 160 earlier tonight.

I think what happens with those you listed is that there is one or two resident hams, or someone from a neighbouring country who goes there a few times a year with a modest set-up and keeps the demand down in terms of anyone going there and mounting a serious DXpedition. (1A0 is the exception to this . . . it is DXpedition material.) This has to be frustration for you guys who are so far away. A few operations a year with 100 watts and a vertical might keep NA and EU happy, but you guys are not going to easily hear them, or be heard. I don't know the answer, for no one would go to C3 or T7 with 8-10 OPs, amps and beams. OJ0 is equipped with permanent antennas now, I think, thanks to the work of OH2BH and others. It's activated a few times a year, usually during contests. It does suffer from attenuation because it is so far to the north.

What I'm saying is they all are on the verge of being just a bit semi-rare. Getting an operation going there with the fire power and duration to work you guys in Oceania is a challenge. It's all about location.

If JA, EU, NA and SA can work them with relative ease even once a year, there isn't a lot of incentive for the DXpeditioners to go there.

73, Paul VE1DX

20654. RE: [DX-IS] EA9

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-21 07:33:06 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 9164 Message: 20654

Hi Paul,

Yes, I hear you. I realise this and I guess I was thinking of just encouraging those who already go, to keep a window or ear out for Oceania.
It appears that predominantly C3 and SV/A stations are behind a hill for short path propagation and long path is less reliable. This only increases the frustration.
I have discussed the SV/A situation with many HR ops here in VK6 and many of them have almost given up on ever getting the Monk, which is a sad state of affairs considering their elderly status.
In recent past experience, every time I see SV/A spotted I get there and can hear the huge EU pile but never hear anything from SV/A. I have only really heard him once LP back in 2006 on 20m SSB, he was about 44 but just couldn't break through the pile....and had the TH6 and amp. going.

I know there are fairly regular teams that go to HB0 and over there years I have managed to get this one on all modes but I still need HB0 on 30/12m.
Can't these HB0 guys go to C3 or EA9 etc...though I guess there are always a number of factors involved when embarking on these ventures.

I need C3, 30/12m and RTTY.

1A0 is also an enigma. I was the only VK6 who made the last log there (1A0C) and I am sure those guys were QRV for every minute possible while they were there.
I need 1A0 on RTTY and 80/40/30/15/12 (1 mode and 5bands).

It is about location and living in the second most isolated capitol city in the world doesn't make it easy. (I guess I both love and hate the challenge...)

Ok, that's enough from me, sorry for those of you who are getting sore ears from this (or eyes).

One part of any difficult challenge....the harder it is the more you celebrate when you have success!

73, Lance - VK6DU

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Paul M Dunphy
Sent: Thursday, 21 February 2013 12:46 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] EA9

On 2/21/2013 12:13 AM, Lance Martin wrote:
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> Hi Guys,
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> Managed to work Norbert DL2RNS finally today for a new one on 30m CW
> and I guess I was lucky to get through as the pileup has been huge
> from EU every time I hear this guy.
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73, Paul VE1DX

Yahoo! Groups Links

20655. Re: [DX-IS] EP3SMH

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-21 08:35:29 UTC
From: David J. McAulay
Topic: 20627 Message: 20655

Hi All

Yes i have to agree with Lance too, i recently worked Pooyan and the qsl was on LOTW within 2 days

GL

73 David VK3EW

On 20/02/2013 4:06 PM, Lance Martin wrote:
> Hi Guys,
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> 73, Lance – VK6DU
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> *From:*DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] *On Behalf
> Of *KQ8M
> *Sent:* Wednesday, 20 February 2013 11:54 AM
> *To:* DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> *Subject:* RE: [DX-IS] EP3SMH
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> I was lucky and worked EP2TY back in the 80's. It was a Japanese
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> AR-Cluster V6 kq8m.no-ip.org
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> *From:*DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
> [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] *On Behalf Of *dale cole
> *Sent:* Tuesday, February 19, 2013 9:57 PM
> *To:* DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
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> *From:*Derek Wills <oo7@...
> <mailto:oo7@...>>
> *To:* DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
> *Sent:* Mon, February 18, 2013 11:33:03 AM
> *Subject:* Re: [DX-IS] EP3SMH
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> His qrz.com entry asks for $9 plus an IRC - good luck!
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> Derek
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> No virus found in this message.
> Checked by AVG - www.avg.com <http://www.avg.com>
> Version: 2013.0.2899 / Virus Database: 2639/6120 - Release Date: 02/20/13
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20656. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-21 14:01:03 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 20656

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:Issued: 2013 Feb 21 1218 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30221
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 21 Feb 2013, 1156UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 21 Feb 2013 until 23 Feb 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >= 50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 21 Feb 2013 10CM FLUX: 110 / AP: 005
PREDICTIONS FOR 22 Feb 2013 10CM FLUX: 110 / AP: 004
PREDICTIONS FOR 23 Feb 2013 10CM FLUX: 110 / AP: 004
COMMENT: Solar activity has been eruptive the last 24h featuring 6 C
flare with the highest a C 8.2 flare peaking at February 20th 11:11 UT.
All flaring activity came from AR Catania 95 (NOAA 11678). Flaring
activity is expected to remain active especially from this AR which has
a Beta-Gamma-Delta magnetic configuration.
Solar wind speed is at 400 km/s and the IMF Bz component is low between
-5 nT and 5 nT.
Geomagnetic activity has been quiet to moderate and is expected to
remain so for the next 48h.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 050, BASED ON 07 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 20 Feb 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 114
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 014
AK WINGST : 008
ESTIMATED AP : 007
ESTIMATED ISN : 071, BASED ON 26 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
END
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20657. ARLD008 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-21 23:25:25 UTC
From: jjreisert@...
Topic: 1131 Message: 20657

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DX Bulletin 8 ARLD008
>From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT February 21, 2013
To all radio amateurs

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RWANDA, 9X. Nick, G3RWF (5X1NH) plans to be QRV from March 4 to 12. He has requested the call sign 9X0NH, and the license should be valid for 2013 because he could return later in the year. Activity will be mainly CW. QSL via G3RWF.

SOLOMON ISLANDS, H44. Operators Phil, G3SWH and Jim, G3RTE will be active from Honiara, Guadalcanal, until February 28. QSL via G3SWH, either via the OQRS facility on Phil's Web site, direct with SAE and adequate return postage or via the Bureau.

DOMINICA, J7. Rick, KK4GV will be active as J79GV from Calibishie between March 8 and 17. His activity will be holiday style and SSB only. QSL via his home call sign, direct or via the Bureau.

EL SALVADOR, YS. John, NO7B will be QRV as YS1/NO7B until March 12. Listen for him on SSB only on 40 to 10 meters. QSL via home call.

ALAND ISLANDS, OH0. Kim, OH6KZP will be active as OH0X during the ARRL DX SSB Contest, March 2 and 3, as a Single-Op entry. QSL via LoTW or to OH2TA.

BELIZE, V3. Lee, N8LJ will be active as V31LJ from Placencia between February 27 and March 6. Activity will be on the HF bands. QSL via K8ESQ.

MONTSERRAT, VP2M. Operators John, KB8RJ and XYL Crissie, WD8KUR will be active as VP2MRS and VP2MUR, respectively, until March 14. Activity will be holiday style on 80 to 10 meters, including the WARC bands, using mostly SSB and some PSK. QSL both call signs via

KB8RJ.

RODRIQUES ISLAND, 3B9. Operators Toshi, JA8BMK; Ken, JN1THL (AB1GJ) and Yoshiko, JQ1LCW (KF7JXL), plan to be active from March 1 to 10. Activity will be on 80 through 10 meters using SSB, CW, RTTY and PSK31. If time permits Toshi will operate from Mauritius Island as 3B8/JA8BMK on February 27 and 28. QSL via EA5GL, direct only.

ST. LUCIA, J6. Rob, N7QT, will be QRV as J6/N7QT between April 5 and 16. Activity will be on 80 to 10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY or PSK, as well as operating field portable (battery only) either from the St. Lucia beaches or scenic mountain tops. During field portable operations, they will sign /P. QSL J6/N7QT via LoTW, eQSL, by the Bureau, or direct to his home call sign with SASE. J69DS will only accept direct QSLs with a SASE. No Bureau QSLs.

BONAIRE, PJ4. Operators Janusz, SP9FIH and Kazik, SP6AXW will be active as PJ4/home calls between April 8 and 20. Activity will be on 160 to 6 meters using SSB and RTTY. QSL via SP9FIH: Janusz Wegrzyn, P.O. Box 480, 44-100 Gliwice, Poland.

BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS, VP2V. Dave, W9DR will be active as VP2V/W9DR from the north shore of the Island of Anegada (NA-023) between June 14 and 28. Activity will be on 50.115 MHz (SSB) and 50.115.6 MHz (CW). He will also be running a beacon on 50.115.6 when the band is not open. QSL to home call.

GREECE, SV. Rich, M5RIC will be active as SV8/M5RIC from Zakynthos Island (EU-052) from July 23 to 30. Activity will be on 80 to 10 meters using SSB and RTTY. QSL via M5RIC.

MIQUELON ISLAND, FP. Eric, KV1J will be QRV as FP/KV1J from July 6 to 16. He plans to be on 160 through 6 meters, primarily on SSB and RTTY but some CW, PSK-31 and Feld Hell. QSL via KV1J either direct, via the bureau or LoTW.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The REF SSB Contest, UBA CW Contest, Mississippi QSO Party, North American RTTY QSO Party, North Carolina QSO Party, and the CQC Winter QSO Party are all on tap for this weekend. The CQ WW 160 Meter SSB Contest is on February 22. Please see February QST, page 90, and the ARRL and WA7BNM Contest websites for details.
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From: VE1AL
Topic: 20658 Message: 20658

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-22 00:15:49 UTC
From: HK3CW
Topic: 20658 Message: 20659

Ditto! I also saw it and was disgusted about it.

I guess the W7 hasn't been able to work the DXP's or else his comment would have been, "Great DXP, amazing operators, good ears"

73 de HK3CW Rob
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From: John G.
Topic: 20658 Message: 20660

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Date: 2013-02-22 00:30:08 UTC
From: Ron Notarius W3WN
Topic: 20658 Message: 20661

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Date: 2013-02-22 01:12:19 UTC
From: VE1AL
Topic: 20658 Message: 20662

It certainly is gratifying to read there are sane minds out there, from the comments received.

Sadly, I've come to the conclusion that there's really nothing anyone can do. As the saying goes, "The genie is out of the bottle..." Whether the comment really came from W7DJ or not, it stopped me in my tracks. Nonetheless, someone made it. Out of frustration, I don't know. Certainly the person who posted the comment has no concept of the realities at the receiving end of a DXpedition. The most recent DXpeditions have featured some amazing operators who have soldiered through magnificently.

One can only imagine that the operator has the narrowest filter on his receiver and if you're strong enough to be heard you'll crack through.

BTW, I've been filling band slots with these latest African operations and was sorry yesterday to see that 3D2RO/RX had ended their operation because I still needed them on 17 and was never able to get through.

Now on to the H44!!!

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Date: 2013-02-22 02:11:32 UTC
From: GARY HUBER
Topic: 20658 Message: 20663

While I've announcements unchecked and can't go back to look at the comment and callsign, I agree with Ron. Back when I was running N9PE DXSpider or its predecessors I found most of those who made nasty comments would NOT do so with their own callsign. Absent any other way to police the Cluster / DXSpider, the software developers provided callsign and text filters to remove the most common crude and obscene words and callsigns like B0ZO .....

Bootlegging another's callsign on the DX-pedition's QRG in order to get him (or her) blacklisted could be fairly easy with electronic keyers or digital recording devices for voice transmission and it seems like someone is doing something like that to disrupt the calling frequency during every major DX-pedition. Best thing for everyone is to ignore them and for the DX to move to an alternate frequency on the band if necessary.

Al, congrats on getting in the XT2TT log and that near instant QSL.

73 ES DX,
Gary -- AB9M

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Date: 2013-02-22 04:32:52 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 20658 Message: 20664

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> > To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> > Sent: Friday, February 22, 2013 12:08 AM
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20667. Triple play

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-22 05:30:24 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 20667 Message: 20667

Hi Guys,

I just tweeted the following;

Active this week 2300z 18105 RTTY then 14081 mainly for NA LP. I need CT, DE, ID, ME, NV, NH, NY, OK, SD, WV, WI WY, triple play,

73 Lance
I hope I will get a few takers,

73, Lance - VK6DU

20668. Re: [DX-IS] disparaging remark

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-22 13:33:38 UTC
From: John G.
Topic: 20658 Message: 20668

6 sure is a fun band. Would love to get on the microwaves like you are some day. Heck, would like to get back on 432 soon. I have about 45 countries on 6 now, with 100 watts and either a 2 or 3 element beam.

73 John AF5CC

----- Original Message -----
From: Zack Widup
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Friday, February 22, 2013 4:43 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] disparaging remark

Hi John,

Yeah! I'd settle for 50 MHz though.
:-)

I have about 20 countries on 6m so far. All have been in contests and all have been with 10 watts at this end. I am thinking of putting up a larger beam on a tower at home this spring for that band and bringing it to the 100 watt power level, though.

73, Zack W9SZ

On 2/21/13, John G. af5cc@...> wrote:
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> I am sure you would like to work one or both on 10ghz!
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> John AF5CC
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> From: Zack Widup
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> Sent: Friday, February 22, 2013 4:32 AM
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> I am one of those people who doesn't care to work a DXpedition on
> every band/mode. I may try to work them on a few bands if possible but
> other than that I just don't care.
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> That being said, I have worked both these entities. I worked one of
> the 9U's in the past that counted (I think it was an operation by
> Baldur?). And XT2BW was a regular on 40 CW when he was in that
> country. In fact, he had pretty much worked out that band and would

> often call CQ with no takers. I believe he was the station I sent the
> current football scores to a couple times. :-)
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> DXing is getting very discouraging to me. The pileups are something I
> tire of facing. I praise any op who goes on a DXpedition these days.
> What they have to put up with is almost beyond belief.
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> 73, Zack W9SZ
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> On 2/21/13, John G. af5cc@...> wrote:
> > Hi Al,
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> > It never ceases to amaze me what people want out of DXpeditions and the
> > demands they make on them. I am constantly seeing remarks on the
> cluster
> > about people bashing the DXpedition for not doing 160m SSTV or
> something
> > like that. If they are on a different mode or band, go to that band or
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> > and chase them.
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20669. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-22 14:01:06 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 20669

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:Issued: 2013 Feb 22 1149 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30222
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 22 Feb 2013, 1131UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 22 Feb 2013 until 24 Feb 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >= 50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 22 Feb 2013 10CM FLUX: 102 / AP: 006
PREDICTIONS FOR 23 Feb 2013 10CM FLUX: 097 / AP: 004
PREDICTIONS FOR 24 Feb 2013 10CM FLUX: 097 / AP: 004
COMMENT: Solar Activity has been low. No C flares or higher detected. C
flaring and potentially an M flare is still possible from AR Catania 95
(NOAA 11678) on the West limb and therefore flaring from this region can
possibly generate proton events.
Geomagnetic activity has been quiet and is expected to remain so for
the next 48h.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 043, BASED ON 06 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 21 Feb 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 109
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 013
AK WINGST : 009
ESTIMATED AP : 008
ESTIMATED ISN : 050, BASED ON 15 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
END
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20670. 425 DX News - #1138

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-22 16:49:19 UTC
From: r_brothers
Topic: 20670 Message: 20670

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** DX INFORMATION ****
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3B9 - Toshi JA8BMK, Ken JA8CDG/JN1THL and Yoshiko JQ1LCW will be active as 3B9DX from Rodrigues Island (AF-017) on 1-10 March. They will operate CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31 on 80-10 metres. QSL direct to EA5GL. [TNX DX World]
7P - Once again Peter, EI7CC will be active as 7P8PB from Lesotho on 6-26 March. He will operate holiday style from the station of his brother-in-law Gerry, 7P8CC (EI8CC, the Irish amabassador to Lesotho). QSL via EI7CC, direct or bureau. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW on a daily basis is at all possible. [TNX EI7CC]
8P - Gerry, W1VE will participate in the ARRL DX SSB Contest as 8P1V from Barbados. The week before the contest, starting on 26 February, he will be QRV as 8P9RM on 160-6 metres, with a focus on CW and the low bands, with "some SSB and RTTY thrown in". QSL direct to home call. [TNX W1VE]
9M4_spr- Christian EA3NT had to withdraw from the 10-18 March 9M4SLL DXpedition [425DXN 1132] due to work reasons, but he has been replaced by Pista HA5AO and George HA5UK. The other operators are John 9M6XRO, Steve 9M6DXX, James 9V1YC, Don G3BJ, Tony KM0O and Ben N6MUF/DJ0YI. 9M4SLL will operate from Pulau Layang Layang, Spratly Islands (AS-051) with five stations simultaneously at peak times, using full legal power linear amplifiers on all stations and vertical antennas sited within a few metres of the ocean. Activity will be on 160-10 metres, CW, SSB and RTTY. There will be no 60m operation as that is not permitted by the Malaysian licence. QSL via M0URX (OQRS for direct and bureau cards at http://m0urx.com/). Logs will be uploaded to LoTW within a few days after the end of the operation. Further information, including suggested operating frequencies, can be found at http://m0urx.com/9m4sll [TNX 9M6DXX]
CE0_ei - Nigel G3TXF, Martin G3ZAY, Michael G7VJR and John G4IRN will be active as XR0YG from Easter Island (SA-001) on 20-27 March. They will operate mainly CW on 160-10 metres, with a focus on the low bands and Europe. QSL via G3TXF (OQRS for direct and bureau cards on Club Log). They plan to upload their logs to Club Log and LoTW during the expedition. Chile experiences regular earthquakes, and the XR0YG team is making a donation of $500 to RCCh (Radio Club de Chile) "in support of their emergency communications projects, in

appreciation of their friendly backing of our expedition,
especially for their help with our licenses and 30m permits for
Easter Island". The website for the expedition is at
http://xr0yg.com/
FM - Al, F5VHJ will be active as FM/F5VHJ from Martinique (NA-107) from
25 February to 3 March, including an entry in the ARRL DX SSB
Contest as TO5A. QSL via home call, direct or bureau, and LoTW.
[TNX NG3K]
JA - Special event station 8J6ISG will be active on all bands and modes
between 1 March and 30 April to celebrate the opening of the new
airport of Ishigaki (AS-024). QSL via the JARL bureau. [TNX VA3RJ]
PJ2 - Ulf, DL5AXX will be active as PJ2/DL5AXX from Curacao (SA-099)
from 24 February to 11 March. He will operate holiday style on
80-10 metres, mainly CW with some RTTY. QSL via home call; an OQRS
for bureau cards can be found at www.dl5axx.de [TNX The Daily DX]
PY - PU5IKE and PP5RK will operate SSB and digital modes as ZW5WIM from
Ilha da Paz (SA-027) and lighthouse on 23-24 February. QSL via
PU5IKE, direct or bureau, plus LoTW and eQSL. [TNX PT7WA]
UA - Celebrating the 95th anniversary of the Russian National Military
Forces, special callsign UE95RA (Russian Army) will be in use
until 24 February on all bands and modes. QSL via UA3YLP. [TNX
RV3YR]
V3 - Lee N8LJ (V31LJ), Stan AC8W (V31AC) and Jim KB8TXZ (V31VJ) will be
active from Belize from 27 February to 6 March. They plan to be
QRV on 160-6 metres CW, RTTY and SSB and to operate a multi-single
entry in the ARRL DX SSB Contest. QSL V31LJ via K8ESQ, QSL V31AC
and V31VJ via KB8TXZ. [TNX AC8JF]
VP2V - Larry, KE2VB will be active as VP2V/KE2VB from the British Virgin
Islands (NA-023) from 27 February to 4 March, including an entry
in the ARRL DX SSB Contest. He will operate CW and SSB before and
after the contest, hopefully on 160-10 metres. QSL via NR6M.
W - Lou, W0FK plans to be active from Longboat Key (NA-034) on 2-16
March. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX rsgbiota.org]
W - Pete, VE3IKV will be active as W4/VA3RA from St. Simons Island
(NA-058) on 2 March and from Key West (NA-062) on 3-15 March. Look
for him on 30 and 17 metres CW. A side trip to the Dry Tortugas
(NA-079) is planned on 11-14 March, if the weather is fine. Expect
him to be signing VE3IKV/W4 while on NA-079 (a low-power battery
and solar power CW operation on 30, 17 and 6 metres). QSLs via
VE3IKV, direct or bureau. [TNX rsgbiota.org]
XU - Eddy, ON4AFU (www.on4afu.net) will be active as XU7AFU from
Cambodia until 14 March. He will operate CW only on 40-10 metres
with 100 watts and wire antennas. QSL via ON4AFU, direct or bureau.
YN - Scott, K7ZO will be active as YN5Z from Nicaragua from 27 February
until 3 March. His main focus will be a SOAB entry in the the ARRL
DX SSB Contest. QSL direct to K7ZO and LoTW.
YS - John, NO7B will be active as YS1/NO7B from El Salvador from 21
February to 12 March. He will operate SSB only on 40-10 metres.
QSL via home call. [TNX The Daily DX]
ZA - Max, IZ4JMA reports he is now living in Albania and will be on the

air as ZA/IZ4JMA starting from 25 February for 18 months at least.
He can be QRV on all bands and modes. QSL via IZ4JMA.

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**** GOOD TO KNOW ... ****
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CQ WW 160-METER CONTEST (SSB) ---> Objective of the contest is for amateurs around the world to work as many US States, Canadian provinces and countries as possible on 160 metres CW (http://cq160.com/rules.htm). A list of stations that have announced their participation in this year's event (from 22.00 UTC on 22 February through 22.00 UTC on the 24th) is maintained by Bill, NG3K at http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/cq160s2013.html

NA-066 ---> The 20-24 February K6PV/6 activity from Santa Catalina Island [425DXN 1137] has been cancelled due to sea conditions. [TNX The Daily DX]

SA-030 ---> The 21-24 February CV5A activity from Flores Island [425DXN 1137] has been postponed until further notice while the Uruguayan Navy recovers the remains of an aircraft that crashed off Flores back in June 2012.

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******* QSL ROUTES *******
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3D2RO N7OU ES95E ES5EC OQ5A ON4IG
3W3B E21EIC ES95Q ES5RY OU2W OZ1ETA
3Z0SDR SP5PPK ES95R ES4RC P29NO EA5GL
3Z20RE SP5DZC ES95S ES2TI P40L WA3FRP
3Z2X SP2YWL FK8CE LZ1JZ P40W N2MM
3Z51EQB SP7EQB FM/R5GA UA3DX PA6ANT PA3FOE
3Z51FBX SP7FBX FM5WD W3HNK PA6NB PA7JWC
3Z51MOC SP7MOC FR5DZ F6CXV PF13ANT PA0RDY
3Z51NLH SQ7NLH G9W M0DXR PJ2/N0VD W3HNK
3Z51OVL SQ5OVL GB0ANT M0OXO PJ2/W9NJY WD9DZV
3Z51SDA SP7POS GB4R M0DOL PX2C M0OXO
3Z51SZW SP7SZW H44KW G3SWH R100AIP RW3YW
3Z55OP SP6PNZ HA30S HG1S R2013CG UA8WAA
3Z8T SQ8JX HB9HLM EA7FTR R250GS RL2A
3ZL301GVX SP3GVX HB9ICE HB9BHY R70RND RW6MF
4A2I XE2I HC7AE EA7FTR RI1ANU ZS1OIN
5B4AIZ G3SWH HF0A SP9YI RL3A W3HNK

5C5T EA5YU HF2013MAX SP3YAC SN150AW SP5CGN
5C5W EA5XX HF9Q SP9QMP SN150BPM SP7PCA
5R8AL G3SWH HG5C HA5MA ST2SF K0YAK
5W1SA JA1DXA HH2/EK6KB K6EID T30TT W7JET
5X1C K3FP HI3TT ON4IQ T46RRC RZ3EC
6V7S RK4FF HI8CSS EA5GL T46T RZ3EC
6Y2T VE3DZ HK1NA K6IPM T47RRC RZ3EC
6Y5AE KJ4QHL HQ2N EA5GL T48RRC RZ3EC
7Z1BL IZ8CLM HS0ZJS HB9PHJ T6LG LZ1ZF
8P9HA WA4WTG HS0ZKX W2EN T6MO K9GY
9H3FW DK7YY II2ANT I2JJR T88UU W1NN
9H3KK SP7VC II2E IK2FTB T8TT JA1WSX
9H3RX DJ0IF II2V IK2AQZ TC1BW TA1HZ
9K2YM EA5KB II5ANT IZ5BTC TC1DX TA1DX
9U4U M0URX II5ISS IZ5JLW TI5W N3YIM
9V1YC W5UE II9P IT9CHU TM0R F5GGL
A35WH DJ9KH IO3X IV3JCC TM10WAP F8DHE
A60A IZ8CLM IO5ANT IW5EFX TM6M F4DXW
A65BP UA6MF IP8AAW IK8FIQ TM6X F5VHY
AH0CI JA3IUY IR1ANT I1HYW TO22C F6HMQ
AO1ICE EA1WK IR1SP IK1NEG TO5X UA3DX
AO5ANT EA5FL IR2C IK2FTB UE95RA UA3YLP
AO7WAP EC7ZK IR2R IZ2EWR V31AT K5PI
AT3ANT VU2UR IY4FGM I4KMW V31EE WX9U
C6ABB N2RFA J38RF KE4TG V31TP WC0W
C6AKQ N4BP J52HF I3LDP V47JA W5JON
C6ANM WA2IYO J5NAR HA0NAR V63ZM M0URX
C6APG K4PG JX9JKA LA9JKA V73NS W3HNK
C6ASP W6KW JY9ET M0OXO VA7AAW VE7IG
C6ATN IZ7ATN K4A K6EID VK4NM/p M0OXO
CM2XN EA7FTR K4K K4MZU VP2EC N5AU
CM8AKY EA7FTR KG4KL KN4KL VP2ME AI4U
CO6LC EA5GL KG4WV W4WV VP5S K0MD
CQ8X OH2BH KH0WF JH1AJT VQ5RP K0UU
CR1Z OH2BH KH2/G3ZEM M0URX XT2TT I2YSB [d]
CR2X OH2BH KH7X K2PF XT2TT IK2CIO [b]
CW5W CX6VM KP2M AI4U XU7ACQ KF0RQ
D2EB IZ3ETU KP3Z N4AO XV2DLH DK8ZZ
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D3AA UA1QV LT0H EA7FTR YE1ZAT YD1JZ
EA6/KH7XX OE6BMG LT1F AC7DX YN9SU TI4SU
EA8CMX OH2BYS LW9DHR EA6SK YO2013EYOWF YO6MP
EA9EU EA5KB LX1HD LX1NJ YP0FOTE YO6BBQ
ED2C EA2RCF LX7I LX2A YQ0ANT YO2LIW
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EF7X EA7GYS LZ134SOF LZ1KZX YU313EDICT YU1AST
EF8N EA8NC LZ5R LZ1YQ YW2LV YV5YMA
EF8R EB7DX M3W G4FAL Z320N Z36N
EF8USA W2GR M5E G0CKV Z320O Z32KI

EG1ACG EA2FC MD2C MD0CCE Z320T DJ0LZ
EG1WAA EA1GIB MD4K G3NKC ZD8KFC NI5DX
EK3GM IK2QPR NH2T W2YC ZF2AM K6AM
EM0I UT2IZ OA4SS KB6J ZF2DP N4QS
EM70LI UT3LI OE2013SKI OE1SSS ZM1A ZL3CW
ES95B ES5QD OK8WW OM2FY ZZ2T PY2MNL

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20671. 425 DX Calendar - #1138

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
******* CALENDAR *******
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PERIOD CALL REF
till 23/02 3D2ZF: Taveuni (OC-016), Fiji Islands 1137
till 23/02 9U4U: Burundi 1131
till 23/02 A35WH: Tongatapu (OC-049), Tonga 1133
till 23/02 KG4KL: Guantanamo Bay (NA-015) 1136
till 23/02 V63ZM: Micronesia 1135
till 24/02 UE95RA: special callsign 1138
till 24/02 XR2BH: Caleta Hornilla lighthouse 1137
till 24/02 YO2013EYOWF: special event callsign 1137
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20672. ARLP008 Propagation de K7RA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-22 21:12:25 UTC
From: jjreisert@...
Topic: 1601 Message: 20672

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ARLP008 Propagation de K7RA

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QST de W1AW
Propagation Forecast Bulletin 8 ARLP008
>From Tad Cook, K7RA
Seattle, WA February 22, 2013
To all radio amateurs

SB PROP ARL ARLP008
ARLP008 Propagation de K7RA

Average daily sunspot numbers over the past seven days, February 14-20, rose modestly by 27 points to 78.3. Average daily solar flux was up marginally, only 1.6 points to 105.6. Geomagnetic indices rose also, with the planetary A index from 5.6 to 6.4, and the middle latitude A index from 5.1 to 6. This is compared to the previous seven days, February 7-13 reported in last week's bulletin.

There was a more substantial rise in both solar flux and sunspot numbers for a recent three days, at 104.7, 112.4 and 113.5 for solar flux, and 92, 117 and 106 for sunspot numbers. But that turned around when the sunspot number dropped from 106 to 75 on Thursday, February 21 and solar flux declined from 113.5 to 108.5.

The predicted solar flux is 105 on February 22-23, 100 on February 24, 95 on February 25-26, 100, 105 and 110 on February 27 through March 1, 100 on March 2-3, 95 on March 4-14, 100 on March 15-16, 115 on March 17, and 120 on March 18-20, which represents a peak for the next 45 days.

The predicted planetary A index is 8 on February 22, 10 on February 23, 8 on February 24, 5 on February 25-28, 10 and 8 on March 1-2, 5 on March 3-10, 7 on March 11-12, and 5 on March 13-27.

Over the next month we can look forward to improving HF conditions as we progress toward the Spring Equinox, which occurs on Wednesday, March 20 at 1102z.

Using a propagation prediction program such as W6ELprop gives us a rough idea of what the seasonal improvement might be. Running two instances of the program simultaneously, once for February 21 and the other on March 21, but with the same solar flux (I used 107) allows me to flip back and forth between the results. I did one for Seattle to Japan, and the 15 meter opening from 2200z to 0030z on February 21 shows up as a 2130-0500z opening on March 21. Similarly,

a 17 meter opening from 2130-0230z on February 21 stretches to 2030-0500z on March 21.

OK1HH predicts the geomagnetic field as quiet to active on February 22, active to disturbed on February 23, mostly quiet February 24-25, quiet on February 26-28, quiet to unsettled March 1, quiet to active March 2, mostly quiet March 3, quiet to unsettled March 4, quiet March 5-6, mostly quiet March 7-8, quiet March 9, and quiet to active March 10.

Several news articles, such as
http://www.upi.com/Science_News/2013/02/20/NASA-instrument-sees-giant-sunspot-forming/UPI-80691361403797/
and
http://www.science20.com/news_articles/giant_sun_spot_size_6_earths_grows_48_hours-104269
mentioned a huge growing sunspot group 1678 that might spit out solar flares. But this spot is way over on the western horizon (yes, the right side is referred to as "west" on the Sun) and about to slip away from view. It is not geo-effective, which it would be if it appeared in the center of the visible solar disc.

Jon Jones, N0JK of Lawrence, Kansas (where I was born!) has long enjoyed working 6 meter E-skip and even DX using very modest and even compromised antennas. Jon reported on February 16: "Julian, XE2JS DL68 had a nice 6 meter Es opening to the Midwest Saturday evening (February 17 UTC). I worked Julian while I was mobile on highway 40 west of Lawrence, KS EM28 with 58 to 59 signals at 0135 UTC. My 6 meter mobile antenna is a 2 meter 5/8 mag. mount whip (quarter-wave on 6 meters). Saw ZL1RS worked TI5/N5BEK earlier at 2254 UTC February 16."

Yes, Jon feeds that 2 meter whip directly on 6 meters, no change in loading or any modification. That distance between him and XE2JS is a little less than 1,000 miles.

On February 19, Jon reported: "The whip I currently use has a 1.1 to 1 SWR, as-is on 6 meters. Some 2 meter mag antennas don't match well on 6 and may need to be trimmed. ZL1RS later worked KD5PBR, N5DG, NW0W and a few other stations on 6 meters around 0230 UTC on Feb. 17. Likely an Es link on to TEP. (Jon means sporadic-E propagation linked to trans-equatorial propagation. See
http://www.ips.gov.au/Category/Educational/Other%20Topics/Radio%20Communication/Transequatorial.pdf
or
http://www.amateur-radio-wiki.net/index.php?title=Trans-Equatorial_Propagation
for info on TEP).

On February 21 Jon wrote, "Even better, I heard ZL1RS CW on February 20 at 2300 UTC on 50.087 MHz, about a 339 RST. This was on an attic dipole. I am sure I could have worked him with better antenna."

Jeff Hartley, N8II of Shepherdstown, West Virginia wrote on February 17: "I had limited time due to working 1700Z-0230Z over the weekend, but found conditions at least on 80, 15 and 10 meters to be excellent during the ARRL CW DX contest.

"In just a few hours on 80 meters around 0140-0440Z Saturday the February 16 and 0230-0400Z Sunday, I managed to work 270 QSOs and 67 DXCC countries with a 1/4 wave ground plane. Conditions were overall the best to Europe I can ever remember in a contest. I was able to run a steady stream of callers at times, the best I have ever done on 80. I didn't make any QSOs with central Asia, but the well equipped big guns did work that area. I was called by C4N in Cyprus with a huge signal, and also a 4Z5 (Israel), and A65BP (United Arab Emirates). Russians were generally somewhat weaker than western Europe, but many had good signals all the way to the UA4 area. Big guns RU1A and RL3A were well over S9! ZS1EL also called me as well as about 3 or 4 five-watt European stations. At least 3 PY stations also called in from southern Brazil. The omni-directional antenna does have a few advantages. Activity from Europe was very good even the second night when traditionally it is very slow. I also noticed that some far western USA stations were working Europe as well.

"10 meters was very interesting with marginal conditions to Europe Saturday, but OH, LY, YL, and SM were logged. There were a few loud signals from LZ, F, and EA. Stations in the Caribbean at the same time were very loud as was CR2X, and Africans 6V7S, CR3A, 3V8BB, and EA9EU all had very good signals. 15 meters around 1530Z was wide open to Europe with booming signals. Solar flux was right around 100.

"Sunday, I arrived at the perfect time around 1400Z when 10 meters was just opening to Europe. East of Poland, propagation was almost nil except for a weak R7MM, and about 3 weak Ukrainians, but I ran a big pile-up with a huge number of Germans logged and strong signals even from SM and LA. All of Europe east of Poland had good conditions to here in West Virginia at least thru 1510Z when I had to QRT. Conditions were better than would be expected with a solar flux of only 103 and K index of 2-3, simply amazing that Europe was booming in."

On February 19 Jeff wrote: "Last night February 18 (but February 19 based on universal time), T46RRC (Cuban IOTA NA-204) was on 80 and European signals calling them were down 15-20 db from the levels over the weekend. They were S9+25-30 dB on 160 Monday at 0230Z, a really awesome signal! They have been so loud that they have had no trouble putting a lot from 'mother Russia' into the log, the 17 meter op in the mornings can be heard running stations in Russian, but will switch over to English when a loud station here QRMs the Europeans."

If you would like to make a comment or have a tip for our readers, email the author at, k7ra@....

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service web page at http://arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals. For an explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin, see http://arrl.org/the-sun-the-earth-the-ionosphere. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at http://arrl.org/w1aw-bulletins-archive-propagation. Find more good information and tutorials on propagation at http://myplace.frontier.com/~k9la/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://arrl.org/propagation.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of ARRL bulletins are at http://arrl.org/bulletins.

Sunspot numbers for February 14 through 20 were 25, 59, 75, 74, 92, 117, and 106, with a mean of 78.3. 10.7 cm flux was 99.5, 100.1, 103.2, 105.5, 104.7, 112.4, and 113.5, with a mean of 105.6. Estimated planetary A indices were 10, 4, 8, 8, 4, 6, and 5, with a mean of 6.4. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 11, 3, 6, 7, 4, 5, and 6, with a mean of 6.
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20673. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-23 14:01:03 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 20673

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:Issued: 2013 Feb 23 1151 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30223
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 23 Feb 2013, 1141UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 23 Feb 2013 until 25 Feb 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Quiet conditions (<50% probability of C-class flares)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 23 Feb 2013 10CM FLUX: 105 / AP: 004
PREDICTIONS FOR 24 Feb 2013 10CM FLUX: 105 / AP: 004
PREDICTIONS FOR 25 Feb 2013 10CM FLUX: 105 / AP: 004
COMMENT: Solar activity was quiet featuring one C 1 flare from AR
Catania 95 (NOAA 11678) that has changed its magnetic configuration to
Beta-Gamma. Solar activity is expected to remain so for the next 24
hours.
Geomagnetic activity was moderate to active in the last 24 hours, but
is expected to be quiet for the next 48 hours.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 032, BASED ON 05 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 22 Feb 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 070
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 107
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 019
AK WINGST : 017
ESTIMATED AP : 014
ESTIMATED ISN : 042, BASED ON 10 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
END
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20674. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-24 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 20674

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:Issued: 2013 Feb 24 1231 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30224
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 24 Feb 2013, 1201UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 24 Feb 2013 until 26 Feb 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Quiet conditions (<50% probability of C-class flares)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 24 Feb 2013 10CM FLUX: 098 / AP: 003
PREDICTIONS FOR 25 Feb 2013 10CM FLUX: 097 / AP: 004
PREDICTIONS FOR 26 Feb 2013 10CM FLUX: 097 / AP: 004
COMMENT: Solar activity has been quiet with three C flares with the
largest being a C 4.7 flare peaking at February 23d 15:56 UT. All flares
originating from AR Catania 95 (NOAA 11678).
A partial halo CME was detected by LASCO C2 on February 23d around
03:24 UT. This CME could possibly result in a glancing blow towards
Earth. With an estimated speed of 238 km/s it would arrive on February
27 in the evening.
A second partial halo CME was detected by LASCO C2 on February 23d
around 18:24, but there is not yet enough information available for
detailed analysis.
Geomagnetic conditions were quiet and are expected to remain so for the
next 48 hours.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 017, BASED ON 02 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 23 Feb 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 100
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 013
AK WINGST : 012
ESTIMATED AP : 009
ESTIMATED ISN : 032, BASED ON 10 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
END
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20675. LOTW down? Or is it just me?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-24 14:58:35 UTC
From: Pete Smith N4ZR
Topic: 20675 Message: 20675

Is LOTWE down? None of the Log In Here links work.

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73, Pete N4ZR
Check out the Reverse Beacon Network at
http://reversebeacon.net,
blog at reversebeacon.blogspot.com.
For spots, please go to your favorite
ARC V6 or VE7CC DX cluster node.

20676. RE: [DX-IS] LOTW down? Or is it just me?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-24 15:15:17 UTC
From: KQ8M
Topic: 20675 Message: 20676

I am on LOTW now and it is working fine here.

73,

Tim Herrick, KQ8M

Charter Member North Coast Contesters

kq8m@...

AR-Cluster V6 kq8m.no-ip.org

User Ports: 23, 7373 with local skimmer, 7374 without local skimmer

Server Ports: V6 3607, V4 Active 3605, V4 Passive 3606

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Pete Smith N4ZR
Sent: Sunday, February 24, 2013 9:59 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] LOTW down? Or is it just me?

Is LOTWE down? None of the Log In Here links work.

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73, Pete N4ZR
Check out the Reverse Beacon Network at
http://reversebeacon.net,
blog at reversebeacon.blogspot.com.
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20677. Re: [DX-IS] LOTW down? Or is it just me?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-24 15:49:20 UTC
From: Pete Smith N4ZR
Topic: 20675 Message: 20677

Turned out it was just the Log On Here links from the main LOTW page.
Once I got to the logon page it worked fine.

73, Pete N4ZR
Check out the Reverse Beacon Network at
http://reversebeacon.net,
blog at reversebeacon.blogspot.com.
For spots, please go to your favorite
ARC V6 or VE7CC DX cluster node.

On 2/24/2013 10:15 AM, KQ8M wrote:
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> 73,
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> Charter Member North Coast Contesters
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> *To:* DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> *Subject:* [DX-IS] LOTW down? Or is it just me?
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20678. LoTW shortcut tip

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-24 17:16:07 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 20678 Message: 20678

If anyone is looking for a "shortcut" to log on LoTW and take them to their QSL pages, the following URL is something I have been using for 3-4 years:

<https://p1k.arrl.org/lotwuser/qsos?login=YOURCALL&password=YOURPASSWORD&qso_query=1&qso_qsl=yes&qso_withown=yes&&qso_sort=QSL+Date&qso_descend=yes&awg_id=DXCC&ac_acct=1>

Substitute YOURCALL with your own call sign and YOURPASSWORD with your password. Don't do this if it's a shared computer or if you think someone else will get at it, but the above works well in terms of saving typing everything in each time.

I bookmarked the above and I can now log into LoTW and go to my QSL page with a single mouse click. It works with Firefox, Internet Explorer and Google Chrome. I haven't tried it with other browsers.

73, Paul VE1DX

20679. Re: [DX-IS] LoTW shortcut tip

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-24 17:35:50 UTC
From: Richard Solomon
Topic: 20678 Message: 20679

Neat ... works fine on my WIN7 monster machine !!

73, Dick, W1KSZ

On Sun, Feb 24, 2013 at 10:16 AM, Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...> wrote:

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> 3-4 years:
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> >
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> Substitute YOURCALL with your own call sign and YOURPASSWORD with
> your password. Don't do this if it's a shared computer or if you think
> someone else will get at it, but the above works well in terms of saving
> typing everything in each time.
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> page with a single mouse click. It works with Firefox, Internet
> Explorer and Google Chrome. I haven't tried it with other browsers.
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> 73, Paul VE1DX
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20680. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1101

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-24 18:05:16 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 20680 Message: 20680

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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 17th-February, through Sunday, 24th-February there were 231 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3D2/r, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5R, 5T, 5U, 5V, 5W, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9U, 9V, 9Y, A3, A4, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C5, C6, CE, CE0Y, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FH, FK, FM, FO, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HC8, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J5, J6, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JX, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ7, PY, PY0F, PZ, R1FJ, S2, S5, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV/a, SV5, SV9, T30, T5, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TR, TT, TU, TY, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V6, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK9N, VP2E, VP2M, VP5, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VR, VU, XE, XT, XU, XW, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YJ, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, Z8, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD8, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

3B8 & 3B9, MAURITIUS AND RODRIGUES ISLANDS. Operators Toshi/JA8BMK, Ken/JN1THL (AB1GJ) and YL Yoshiko/JQ1LCW (KF7JXL) will be active as 3B9DX from Rodrigues Island (AF-017) between March 1-10th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31. The operators

will be using a Kenwood TS-590, a Yaesu FT-897D, and a Tokyo Hy-power HL-550fx amp into a Hexbeam, a Windom and a vertical antennas. QSL via EA5GL direct only (w/SASE and IRC/greenstamps). ADDED NOTE: If time permits, Toshi/JA8BMK will operate as 3B8/JA8BMK from Mauritius Island (AF-049) on February 27th and 28th. For updates, watch QRZ.com.

3V, TUNISIA (Operator Update). An Italian group, along with the Association des Radio Amateurs Tunisiens (ARAT) and the Engineering University of Gabes, who are planning a second IOTA DXpedition to Djerba Island (AF-083, WFF 3VFF-007, WLOTA L-1394 and ARLHS TUN-022), as TS8TI (will receive license in March) between April 29th and May 6th (see OPDX.1100), have added two more operators to their operation. Operators mentioned are Luciano/IZ7EVZ and Fabio/IZ8DSS.

4Z, ISRAEL (WFF and Holyland SQ. Ops). Dov, 4Z4DX, plans to activate some World-Wide Flora & Fauna and Holyland Square locations to celebrate his 62nd birthday and 47 years on the air between March 25-27th. Look for him to operate from: Kursi Holyland (WWFF 4XFF-024, Holyland square O-06-HG), Park Hayarden (WWFF 4XFF-029, Holyland square N-05-KT) and Mount Hermon (WWFF 4XFF-023, Holyland square O-01-HG). QSL via 4Z4DX (QRZ.com).

5H, TANZANIA. Maurizio, IK2GZU, will once again return to the "Mission Ilembula" to do some work at the new hospital and orphanage between April 7th and May 8th. He plans to be active during his spare time as 5H3MB on the HF bands. Maurizio will use his FT-100 and the mission's TS-850 into a tri-band 3 element beam (20/15/10m) fixed on Europe and a vertical or dipole for the other bands. QSL via IK2GZU, direct or by the Bureau. Also, LoTW (after his return home). For more details, updates and an online log, visit his Web site at:
http://www.buffoli-pm.it/5h/Tanzania%202011.htm

5X, UGANDA (Update). Members of the F6KOP team went QRT as 5X8C at 1003z on February 17th. The 5X8C log on ClubLog reports that the 5X8C team has made 81242/QSOs with 21010/Unique callsigns (41077/CW, 28535/SSB, 11624/RTTY, 14/PSK63 and 1/PSK) with 1215/AF, 1/AN, 7560/AS, 59611/EU, 11391/NA, 627/OC and 837/SA. To check your QSOs, go to:
http://www.clublog.org/charts/?c=5X8C
Remember, Yann, F1NGP, is their QSL Manager (100% OK Direct, ClubLog's OQRS, Bureau and LoTW). For more details and updates, see:
http://www.5x2013.com

7P, LESOTHO. Peter, EI7CC, will once again be active as 7P8PB from Maseru between March 6-26th. Activity will be limited because he will be on a family holiday and will operate when circumstances permit. He will be operating from his brother-in-law Gerry's station, 7P8CC (home callsign EI8CC). QSL via EI7CC, by the Bureau or direct. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW immediately upon his return to Ireland. If possible, Peter may try to upload them while in Lesotho.

8P, BARBADOS. Gerry, W1VE, will be active as 8P9RM between February 26th and March 1st, and then for the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 2-3rd) he will sign 8P1V. Activity will be on 160-6 meters, but with a concentration on

the low-band CW, and naturally SSB during the contest. QSL both callsigns via his home callsign direct only. NO Bureau.

8P, BARBADOS. Tom, W2SC, will be active as 8P5A during the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 2-3rd) as Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via LoTW or direct to NN1N.

9A, CROATIA. Charlie, NF4A, will be leaving Monday, February 25th, for 9A and will be operating as 9A5PC all week. Look for him in the morning U.S. time on either 15 or 10 meters (+/- a few sunspots)..... During the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 2-3rd), Charlie will be one of the Multi-Multi operators at 9A1A. Logs for 9A5PC will uploaded to LoTW when he returns home. Please QSL directly to his U.S. address. Do not send cards to the 9A Bureau.

9M4, SPRATLY ISLAND (Update/Press Release #2). Steve, 9M6DXX, sent out the following on February 19th [Edited]: "On January 9th, I sent you some brief information about the 9M4SLL Spratly DXpedition which will take place between March 10-18th, and promised more details later. Here now is some further information.
Unfortunately Christian, EA3NT, had to withdraw from the DXpedition due to work reasons, but he has been replaced by two experienced Hungarian DXpeditioners: Pista/HA5AO and George/HA5UK. The other operators are John/9M6XRO, Steve/9M6DXX, James/9V1YC, Don/G3BJ, Tony/KM0O and Ben/N6MU/DJ0YI (total 8 operators).
9M4SLL will operate with five stations simultaneously at peak times, using mainly Elecraft K3 and K2 transceivers plus full legal power linear amplifiers on all stations. The antennas will all be verticals and all will be sited within a few meters of the ocean. In particular we will have a Titanex V160E 27m (87ft) high vertical for 160 and 80m with a Pennant antenna for RX on those bands. Activity will be on 160 to 10m, CW, SSB and RTTY. There will be no 60 meters operation as that is not permitted by the Malaysian licence.
The QSL Manager is Tim, M0URX, and direct or bureau QSLs can be requested by OQRS from his website at <http://m0urx.com/oqrs>. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW as soon as possible after the end of the DXpedition - within a few days. We plan to upload to an online log once per day during the DXpedition. Further information, including suggested operating frequencies, can be found on the 9M4SLL page on M0URX's website at <http://m0urx.com/9m4sll>."

A3, TONGA (Update/OC-064 Cancelled). Werner, DJ9KH, who is now active as A35WH from Tongatapu Island (OC-049), was expected to be active from Vava'u Island (OC-064) this week and had to cancel due to [edited] "The local airline had to close, and the situation with our flights back and the international connection-flight were so unsecured, that we had to cancel the flights." He will continue to operate Tongatapu Island probably til March 2nd. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the DARC Bureau. He plans to update on <http://www.tonga2013.de/> everyday and give information about planned activities, modes and frequencies. He doesn't use an online-log, LoTW and e-QSL.

DXCC NEWS. Bill Moore, NC1L, ARRL Awards Branch Manager, is now accepting
the following operations for DXCC credit:
4S7DXG ☐ Sri Lanka; Only operations in 2008 and 2011
8Q7VR ☐ Maldives; Only operations in 2008 and 2011

If you had credit rejected for contacts with dates during the periods
noted, contact <dxccrules@...> to be put on the list for an update.
Contacts before or after these periods cannot be accepted. Also, in order
to expedite the search for these QSOs, please include the application
"date received" or "reference number" noted on your credit slip of the
submission these were originally rejected.

DXCC NEWS (Important Information regarding Digital DXCC Applications).
The DXCC Blog <http://www.arrl.org/dxcc-blog> reports: "Before proceeding
with an Online DXCC application you 'MUST', first, have Mozilla Firefox
installed on your computer. Online DXCC is not compatible with Internet
Explorer. If you do not use Firefox please visit this site to download
and install this free program: http://www.mozilla.org/en-US/firefox/new/ "
For the complete announcement, go the DXCC Blog page listed above.

EA PSK63 CONTEST. Joaquin, EA4ZB, Contest Manager EA BPSK63, invites
everyone to participate in this year's event which will be held between
1600z Saturday and 1600z Sunday, March 9-10th. The contest is sponsored
by Unión de Radioaficionados Españoles (URE). The contest is open to any
licensed amateur station. Activity will be on 80/40/20/15/10 meters. The
complete official rules are available at:
http://www.ure.es/contest/428-ea-psk63-contest-english-version.html

FP, ST. PIERRE & MIQUELON. Eric, KV1J, will once again be operating
from the Island of Miquelon (NA-032, DIFO FP-002 WLOTA 1417, Grid GN17)
as FP/KV1J between July 6-16th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using
CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31 (but primarily SSB and RTTY). He will generally
be on the highest frequency band that is open, and he may try 6 meters
if there is any indications of openings. Also, look for him on the
satellites, weather permitting. Eric will also be in the IARU HF Contest
(July 13-14th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Mixed-Mode/High-Power entry.
QSL via KV1J, direct or by the Bureau and also LoTW. For more details
and updates, check out his Web page at: http://www.kv1j.com/fp/July13.html

IOTA NEWS.............
AF-109. (New IOTA) Members of the Egyptian Radio Amateur Society for
Development (ERASD) plan to be active as SU8N from Geziret
Disuqi (aka Nelson's Island), an island in the Nile Delta and
Sinai Region Group, during May for one week (May 3-10th).
"Nelson's Island" is approximately 20 kilometers east of the
Egyptian port of Alexandria, four kilometers north of Cape
Aboukir. Nelson's Island is approximately 350 meters by 150
meters. Activity will be on most HF bands. Operators mentioned
are Said/SU1SK, Ateff/SU1AO, Hossam/SU1HM and Ayman/SU1AR.
Look for more info to be forthcoming. Also, watch the ERASD's
Web page at: http://www.qsl.net/egyptham
Also, watch: https://www.facebook.com/events/441478712566533

AS-042. Vladimir, RV3EFH, will once again be active as RV3EFH/0 from Bolshevik Island between March and October. Bolshevik Island is the second largest island of the archipelago of Severnaya Zemlya in the Russian Arctic. Activity is will be on 40/20/15/10 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. While there he plans to activate several Loc. Squares. QSL via his QRZ.com address. All QSL will be answered once he returns to the mainland. Visit his Web page at: http://www.rv3efh.russian-hamradio.net

EU-047. Mike, DG5LAC, will be active as DG5LAC/p from Juist Island (GIA N-003) between July 27th and August 9th. Activity will be on 40-10 meters, possibly 80m, using 100 watts and SSB. He will also be a "part-time" entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest. QSL via his home callsign, by the Bureau, direct, eQSL, LoTW and OQRS.

EU-105. Operators Geert/ON7USB, Tim/ON5HC, Pat/ON7PQ, Jo/ON5MF and Francis/ON8AZ will be active as TM3B from Batz Island (WLOTA 0680) between May 4-11th. QSL via ON8AZ. The group has a Web page (still under construction) at: http://www.eu105.be

NA-014. Jim, AE1C, will be active as AE1C/VE9 from Grand Manan Island (CISA NB003, WLOTA 0082) between August 18-25th. Activity will be holiday style on the HF bands using 200 watts and a vertical antenna. QSL via his home callsign (LoTW preferred), eQSL or direct.

NA-034. Lou, W0FK, will be active from Longboat Key between March 2-16th. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

NA-058. Pete, VE3IKV, will be active as W4/VA3RA from St. Simons Island (USI GA003S, WLOTA 4115, Glynn County, GA) on March 2nd. Activity will be on 30 or 17 meters using CW. QSL via VE3IKV, direct or by the Bureau.

NA-062. Pete, VE3IKV, will be active as W4/VA3RA from Key West (USI FL040S, Monroe County, FL) between March 3-15th. Activity will be holiday style on 30 or 17 meters using CW. QSL via VE3IKV, direct or by the Bureau.

NA-079. Pete, VE3IKV, will be active as VE3IKV/W4 from the Dry Tortugas Islands (Monroe County, FL) between March 11-14th. Activity will depend on the weather. Operations will be conducted by a battery and a solar panel since there is no power on the island. This will be CW only operation on 30/17/6 meters. QSL via his home callsign, by the Bureau or direct.

NA-143. Joe, K5KUA, will once again be active as K5KUA/5 from Galveston Island (USI TX001S, Galveston County, TX) between March 28th and April 1st. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using mainly CW and the Digital modes. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

NA-213. Operators Allan/KV4T, Steve/KI4GGJ, John/AJ4T, Gaston/W4CCF and Nicholas/KJ4AVG will once again be active as homecall/p from Dauphin Island (USI AL002S, Mobile County, AL) between June 19-24th. Activity will be on the HF bands using CW and SSB. QSL via their home callsigns.

OC-245. (Update) Operators Ucok/YB6AR, Adhi/YB3MM, Budi/YF1AR and Evendi/YC6EI will be active as homecall/6 from Rondo Island (ARLHS IDO-369), the most western island lighthouse in Indonesia between March 9-17th. The group has applied for a special callsign but has not heard anything yet. Rondo Island is very difficult to reach since there is no special beach for the boat landing. This will be the first time amateur radio operations will take place from Rondo Island. Activity will be on 80-10 meters with 4 stations on the air using SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via IZ8CCW, direct or by the Bureau. The group is looking for sponsors. For more info and updates, visit: http://www.mdxc.org/oc-245

SA-027. Operators Jose/PU5IKE (Team Leader), Adriano/PP5RK and André (SWL) were expected to be active as ZW5WIM from Paz Island this past weekend (February 23-24th) during the South American Lighthouses Weekend. QSL via PU5IKE, direct, LoTW, e-QSL and Bureau.

SA-028. You may have one more day (February 25th) to work Marcelo, PY2FN, as PY2FN/p from São Sebastião Island. This is the first operation from the Farol Ponta da Sela Lighthouse (ARLHS BRA-287). QSL via his home callsign. Log will be uploaded to LoTW after his activity.

SA-030. (Update) The team that was going to be active as CV5A from Flores Island between February 21-24th, had to suspended their operation until further notice.

ISWL CALLSIGNS (For March). The following ISWL club callsigns will be used throughout the month of March 2013:

GX4BJC/A - Operated from Walton on the Naze, in Essex, by Herbie/G6XOU. (ISWL Council Member & QSL Bureau Manager) (/A WAB Square = TM22 - England, IOTA = EU-005). Herbie will also use GX4BJC/P during the month. (/P WAB Details will be given at the time of the QSO).

MX1SWL and M1SWL - Operated from Broad Oak, in East Sussex, England, by Arthur/G0KOC. (ISWL Council Member & Callsign holder) (WAB Square = TQ62 - England & IOTA = EU-005).

ALL QSLs will be handled by Herbie, G6XOU, and NOT the individual operator. The I.S.W.L. is a member of the European PSK Club. All QSL info is on <www.iswl.org.uk> or <www.qrz.com> or via <www.eQSL.cc>. NO LoTW. I.S.W.L. Awards are available to all Hams and SWLs, see <www.iswl.org.uk> for full details. The eQSL.cc cards ARE welcomed for

their awards.

KH0, MARIANA ISLANDS. Operators Gennady/R0FA and Yuri/RA0FU will be active as KH0/homecall from the Saipan Rental Shack on Saipan Island (OC-086, USI NI002S, WLOTA 1333) between March 25th and April 4th. Activity will be on all HF bands and modes, as well as an entry in the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 30-31st). QSL via their home callsign, by the Bureau or direct.

KH0, MARIANA ISLANDS. Operators Nick/JL1UTS and Chieko/7L3PFH will be active as KH0TH and KH0TG, respectively, from the Saipan Rental Shack on Saipan Island (OC-086, USI NI002S, WLOTA 1333) between May 2-5th. Activity will be on all HF bands and modes. QSL via their home callsign, direct or the JARL Bureau.

KH0, MARIANA ISLANDS. Operators Akira/JH8XGS (W3ANA/KH0) and Ben/JA1RTS (KH0/JA1RTS) will be active from the Saipan Rental Shack on Saipan Island (OC-086, USI NI002S, WLOTA 1333) between May 8-12th. Activity will be on all HF bands and modes. QSL via their JA home callsigns, direct or by the JARL Bureau.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (February 25th-March 3rd)....
Feb/25th AN Feb/28th AN Mar/02nd AN
Feb/26th AN Mar/01st AN Mar/03rd AN
Feb/27th AN

SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS/INDEXES AND GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE
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NORMALITY	GEOMAG K Values	Alpha
AN - Above Normal	Quiet K=0-1	0-7
HN - High Normal	Unsettled K=2	8-15
LN - Low Normal	Active K=3	16-29
BN - Below Normal	Minor Storm K=4	30-49
DIS - Disturbed	Major Storm K=5	50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed	Severe Storm K=6-9	100-400

LX, LUXEMBOURG. Operators René/ON6OM, Eddy/ON6ZV, Martin/ON7EG and Mike/ ON4MW will be active as LX/OO6P (IPA call) between June 30th and July 5th. Activity will be on the HF bands using SSB, RTTY, PSK31 and PSK63. The suggested frequencies are:
SSB - 1850, 3750, 7070 (50)*, 14250, 18140, 21250, 24950 and 28450 kHz
RTTY - 1845, 3520-3525/JA, 3570/EU, 7035, 10150, 14085, 18109, 21085, 24940 and 28080 kHz
PSK31/63/125 - 1807/USA, 1838/EU, 3580, 7028/JA, 7070/USA, 7040/EU, 10138-10142, 14070, 18100, 21070, 24920 and 28120 kHz
QSL via ON6ZV <http://www.on6zv.be>. For more details, visit the Web page at: http://www.qsl.net/on6om/lx-oo6p

N4, UNITED STATES (Special Event/QSO Party). Gene, K9UTQ, will activate the "USS Wisconsin Battleship BB-64", N4WIS, during the Wisconsin QSO Party on March 9th. QSL via N4WIS. For more details and updated, visit:

http://www.n4wis.org/n4wis/index.php

P4, ARUBA. Andy, AE6Y, will be active as P49Y from Aruba (SA-036) during the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 2-3rd) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via LoTW or AE6Y.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated February 17th and 24th)

3Z51MOC via SP7MOC EA9EU via EA5KB IO5O via IK5RLP
3ZL301GVX via SP3GVX EE5D via EA5YI IP8AAW via IK8FIQ
4JT6RO via 4K4K EF5F via EA5FV IR1ANT via I1HYW
9H3RX via DJ0IF EF7A via EC7ABV IR2C via IK2FTB
9K2/W3JK via W3JK EF7X via EA7GYS IR2T via IQ2MG
A6/SQ9UM via SQ9UM EF8USA via W2GR IR4M via I4IFL
A35WH via DJ9KH EG7DCA via EA7URS IR8ANT via I8ACB
A61DJ via IZ8CLM EK3GM via IK2QPR J38A via K4LTA (d)
AO1ICE via EA1WK ES95B via ES5QD J52HF via I3LDP
AO5ANT via EA5FL ES95Q via ES5RY K2A via K2NG
AO7WAP via EC7ZK ES95S via ES2TI K4A via K6EID
C4N via W3HNK ES95V via ES6DO KH7X via K2PF
CM2XN via EA7FTR F/G4BJM via G4BJM L50EY via (B) or EA5KB
CM8AKY via EA7FTR FG4KH via F1DUZ LN5O via LA5O
CM8VRD via EA7FTR GB0ANT via M0OXO LT1F via AC7DX
CP4PG via DK2GA GM5X via N3SL LW5EE via EA5FL
CQ8X via OH2BH HF9Q via SP9QMP LY1SCOUT via LY4Q
CR1Z via OH2BH HG5C via HA5MA LZ5R via LZ1YQ
CR3A via CT3EE HK1/F6BFH via F6BFH LZ10ANT via LZ3SM
CT9/OM3GI via OM3GI HL2ZBD/3 via JK3IJQ M3W via G4FAL
CT9/OM7JG via OM7JG HZ1PS via IZ8CLM M5E via G0CKV
CW3R via CX1AA II0AAW via IK0TRV MD2C via MD0CCE
CW5W via CX6VM (d) II2E via IK2FTB NP2/K7EUG via K7EUG
DR10EDBG via DH1BUZ II2V via IK2AQZ OE3K via OE1DIA
DR20CFT via DG2MEL II9P via IT9CHU OE2013MOS via OE8MOS
EA6/KH7XX via OE6MBG (d) IO3X via IV3JCC OE2013SKI via OE1SSS

OE2013SSU via OE1SSU TM6M via F4DXW
OG6N via OH6NIO TM6X via F5VHY
OH0R via OH2PM TM10WAP via F8DHE
OH1D via OH1JD TM11G via F5TLN
OH8L via OH8LQ TM55M via F0ESV
OK7K via OK1BN TO22C via F6HMQ
OM7M via OM3PA V63ZM via M0URX
OO9O via ON7SS V73NS via W3HNK
OQ5A via ON4IG VP2ME via AI4U
OQ5M via ON5ZO VQ5RP via K0UU
OS0S via ON4ZD (L)(e) XE7S via N7DD
OS8A via ON8VK XT2TT via IK2CIO (B) or I2YSB (d)
OZ0W via OZ8JYL YE1ZAT via YD1JZ
PX2C via M0OXO YE6YE via EA7FTR
R100AIP via RW3YW YP0FOTE via YO6BBQ

R2013CG via UA8WAA YQ8ANT via YO8AZQ
RT0C via RW0CF YR1C via YO4NA
SJ2W via SM2LIY (L)(d) Z36T via DJ0LZ (d)
SN7Q via SP7GIQ Z320L via Z34M
SN150BPM via SP7PCA Z320O via Z32KI
SP0OTC via SP2IW Z320Y via Z37Y
TC1BW via TA1HZ ZM1A via ZL3CW
TI2/IK5TBK via IK5TBK ZW6AJU via PP6AJM
TM0R via F5GGL ZZ6B via PT2OP

(e) eQSL only (d) direct only (B) Bureau only (L) LoTW only

CO8DM ON LOTW. Doug, CO8DM, informs OPDX that his QSL Manager Steve, KU9C, has opened an LoTW account for him. Doug is converting his paper log to digital logs to upload to LoTW. He mentions there may be some times differences.

QSL KH0WF via JH1AJT direct or the JA Bureau. Operator was Zorro, JH1AJT, from Saipan.

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 3B9SP, 5B4AJC, 5X8C, 9Y4/DL7VOG, CO8DM, DJ9RR, DL7CM, E77W, EA3GHZ, EA3NT, EF8R, F5CQ, F6EYB, F6HKA, G3TXF, GM0NAI, GU4YOX, GW6W, H44KW, HB9ACA, HB9CVQ, HB9DDO, HK0GU, HK3O, HQ2N, KH6LC, KP2MM, LY2J, LY6A, M3W, MD2C, NP4G, OE2013R, OG4X, OH1MA, PA5KT, PJ5/DL7VOG, PJ7XK, PV8ADI, PY1VOY, S50R, TI5W, US5I, US5IQ, UU7J, V31ME, WB4JTT/KH6, YO3APJ, ZS4TX and ZS6YH

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3D2OP, 3DA0NJ, 3W1M, 4K4K, 5N4EAM, 6V7S, 706T, HK1NA, HK1R, J88CG, KH8/DL3DXX, LX/PA0RDY, RI0FM, S79NEN, T77C, V5/DL3DXX, V84SMD, VK9/OH3JR, W7PBL/VK9L, XF1F, XW0ZJZ, XW1A, Z81D and ZL9HR

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 5N0OCH, 5R8HL, 7Z1HB, 8R1PY, 9X0TL, 9Y4W, AH0BT, BG1QQT, CT9/DF3FS, CU3NH, EA6/DL5NUA, EW7KF, FS/DL2RUM, HB0/HB9AON, MJ/DL9MWG, OM5CD, R100W, PJ2/DF8ZH, PJ4M, PJ7NK, TK/DL9YBY, TK5DS, V5/DC8QT, V5/DK2WH, VP2MOM, VP2MXO, VP5DX, YO9WF and Z21LS

TX5, CLIPPERTON ISLAND (Update). The TX5K Team is now on their way to Clipperton Island as of February 23rd. Here are details of the past week:
February 19th - "The team that had assembled in San Diego has now set sail on the Shogun for Cabo San Lucas, Mexico, where they will pick up the rest of the team." The team in San Diego included Jef/DD2CW, Ed/KE3D, Luis/XE1L, Bob/KK6EK, Giovanni/I5JHW, Lance/W7GJ, Walt/N6XG, Rick/KF4ZZ, Mike/WA6O and Igor/US0VA.
February 23rd - It was reported that they picked up the Cabo team and that "the full team has boarded, and once all 'precious cargo (all 1000 items)' is on board and stowed properly, they will be underway...."
A TX5K was spotted on the cluster on February 20th which was a pirate or a "phantom spot". They are scheduled to arrive on the 26th, but have a lot of work to do setting up. This means expect the operation to be on

air either February 28th or March 1st. The Team has been spotted while enroute to Cabo San Lucas as K6K/MM (QSL via N2OO). They will probably be on the air from Cabo to Clipperton. Once landing and set up is done, the TX5K activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. Their suggested frequencies are:
CW - 1833(*), 3523, 7023, 10103, 14033, 18083, 21033, 24903 and 28033 kHz
SSB - 3785 (up or down), 7185 (**), 14185 (***), 18165 (down), 21285, 24975 and 28515 kHz
RTTY - 10137, 14087 and 18097 kHz
Listening up, except were indicated.
* Listening up 2 / listen 10 down for JA
** Up 5-15 or down 5-15 / up 7225 for U.S. / down below 7100 for non-expanded band
*** Listen above 14225 for U.S. General licenses

QSL via the OQRS by ClubLog (Highly Recommended). This is the preferred method to use for your QSL confirmation. After the DXpedition ends you can order either a direct or Bureau QSL card using the OQRS online QSL service provided by ClubLog. Using this convenient online method you can easily apply for their QSL card to be sent directly to your home or via the Bureau....without having to send your QSL card at all. Direct QSLs are via Bob Schenck N2OO and the SJDXA QSL team: QSL Manager for TX5K, PO Box 345, Tuckerton, NJ 08087-0345, USA. Also, remember to use the DXA Web site <http://www.dxa2.org/> which allows DXers to view the QSO log, and the status and activities of the DXpedition in near-real-time. The TX5K's Web page is at <http://tx5k.org>. For updates, use the BLOG at: http://www.ky6r.com

V6, MICRONESIA. Operators Sho/JA7HMZ (V63DX) and Kei/JA7GYP (V63T) will be active from Pohnpei Island (OC-010) between April 15-20th. Activity will be on all bands and modes. QSL via their home callsigns.

VISALIA DX CONVENTION NEWS (Correction/IOTA Dinner). Ray, N6VR, sent out the following about the IOTA Dinner: "Guys, -- The 30 USDs I stated for the IOTA dinner has to be increased to 32 USDs because of an error the Hotel and I made during the initial meal cost computation, sorry. If you have all ready sent me 30 USDs please make up the 2 USDs difference at the door. Tnx, and sorry for the price increase, although it is 1 USD cheaper than last year! 73, Ray N6VR.... P.S. I may have not made it clear enough, but pse make checks to 'Ray Benny'."

VP5, TURKS AND CAICOS ISLANDS. Scott, K0MD, will be returning to Providenciales Island (NA-002, WLOTA 2003) and be active as VP5H during the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 2-3rd) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via his home callsign and LoTW.

VP9, BERMUDA (Update/Change). Operators Kurt/W6PH and Robert/WA1Z will team up to be active as VP9I for the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 2-3rd) as a Multi-Op/Low-Power entry. QSL via WW3S (see QRZ.com).

XR0, EASTER ISLAND (Update). The UK DXpedition team which will be active as XR0YG from Easter Island (SA-001) between March 20-27th (see OPDX.1090),

now has a Web page available at: http://xr0yg.com

XT, BURKINA FASO (Reminder). By the time you read this, a team of Japanese operators will be active from Burkina Faso using their individual callsigns until March 2nd. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. Look for the following operators (w/their XT callsign): Yukinori/JA3VWT (XT2VWT), Jusei/JA3IVU (XT2IVU), Junichi/JH3AEF (XT2AEF) and Kunio/JA1CJA (XT2CJA). QSL via their home callsign.

XT, BURKINA FASO (Reminder). By the time you read this, members of the "Italian DXpedition Team" will be active as XT2TT from Ouagadougou (Grid Loc. IK92fi), Burkina Faso, until March 6th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL I2YSB for direct QSLs and IK2CIO for Bureau QSLs (no E-mail request please). A OQRS will be available for direct cards only. The official Web site is: http://www.i2ysb.com/idt Official forum is: http://www.hamradioweb.org

YN, NICARAGUA (Update/Callsign Change). Scott, K7ZO, will once again be active as during the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 2-3nd) as a Single-Op/ All-Band entry. However, this year the TELCOR issued him a smaller callsign and he will be using YN5Z for the contest instead of his usual YN5ZO callsign. He usually operates "Field Day Style" using a 5 band Spiderbeam and 40m dipole on a push up mast. The radio is a TS-590 driving a KPA-500 amp. QSL via LoTW and K7ZO, direct or by the Bureau. Look for Scott to be active before the contest as well.

ZA, ALBANIA. The "425 DX News" reports that Max, IZ4JMA, is now living in Albania and will be on the air as ZA/IZ4JMA starting February 25th for 18 months at least. Activity will be on all bands and modes. QSL via IZ4JMA.

ZL7, CHATHAM ISLANDS (Update). Jim, ZL1LC, will be active as ZL7LC from Chatham Island (OC-038) between March 14-20th, as a micro DXpedition and running PSK31 only (see OPDX.1094). He announced this week on QRZ.com: "This is to give PSKers around the world, especially those in PODXS 070, DMC and EPC, an opportunity to work this DXCC entity on their mode of choice. The rigs will be Icom 7200 and 7000 with vertical antennas operating on 7.035, 14.070, 21.070 and 28.120 MHZ. I will be operating on the highest bands that are open. Please don't email me asking me to run another mode or operate on another frequency. Such emails will be treated as SPAM. To make quicker QSOs and allow more contacts, please send only your RST report and your name. I will QSL the RST. If a pileup develops, I will ask you to go UP 100 - 400Hz. Please operate in a SPLIT mode and transmit 100 to 400 Hertz above your receive frequency. I will be able to read your call and respond to you." He also reported that his QSL Manager will be EB7DX and direct (w/2 green stamps and SAE). NO Bureau. For more details and an online log (ClubLog), see QRZ.com.

ZS8, MARION ISLAND (Update). "DX-World.net" is reporting that Carson, ZR6CWI, has applied for ZS8C callsign for his stay on Marion Island.

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Subscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@...?subject=subscribe>
Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@...?subject=unsubscribe>
OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):
http://www.papays.com/opdx.html
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Sysop of the "Basic Amateur Radio Frequency BBS" (BARF80.ORG)

20681. 6V6V Cards Out ?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-25 00:08:29 UTC
From: Richard Solomon
Topic: 20681 Message: 20681

Has anyone received cards from the recent 6V6V operation ?

Tnx, Dick, W1KSZ

20682. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-25 14:01:03 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 20682

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:Issued: 2013 Feb 25 1203 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30225
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 25 Feb 2013, 1200UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 25 Feb 2013 until 27 Feb 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Quiet conditions (<50% probability of C-class flares)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 25 Feb 2013 10CM FLUX: 097 / AP: 002
PREDICTIONS FOR 26 Feb 2013 10CM FLUX: 099 / AP: 003
PREDICTIONS FOR 27 Feb 2013 10CM FLUX: 101 / AP: 003
COMMENT: We expect in general quiet space weather conditions. Tomorrow,
there is a small chance for a glancing blow from coronal mass ejections
leaving the Sun on Feb 23. Flaring activity is currently low but a new
active region has passed the East limb.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 031, BASED ON 07 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 24 Feb 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 095
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 005
AK WINGST : 004
ESTIMATED AP : 003
ESTIMATED ISN : 019, BASED ON 06 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
END
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20683. T30PY QSL

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-25 19:07:52 UTC
From: Bob
Topic: 20683 Message: 20683

Has anyone received a QSL for this operation?
Site says they were posted last month but nothing here.
Bob KB1JZU

20684. Re: [DX-IS] T30PY QSL

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-25 19:24:57 UTC
From: Jim Sherwood
Topic: 20683 Message: 20684

On 2/25/2013 1:07 PM, Bob wrote:
> Has anyone received a QSL for this operation?
> Site says they were posted last month but nothing here.
> Bob KB1JZU

Still waiting! Did OQRS request.

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Jim Sherwood, N4UOZ
n4uoz@...

20685. Re: [DX-IS] T30PY QSL

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-25 19:47:54 UTC
From: Nico van der Bijl
Topic: 20683 Message: 20685

Yes pleased to say card has been received here febr. 8
wish you all luck
73
PA0MIR

20686. Re: [DX-IS] T30PY QSL

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-25 20:55:57 UTC
From: Arne Fast
Topic: 20683 Message: 20686

Hello

Recieved here 13 of December By Danish DX Group

Arne OZ4VW

20687. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-26 14:01:03 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 20687

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:Issued: 2013 Feb 26 1301 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30226
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 26 Feb 2013, 1243UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 26 Feb 2013 until 28 Feb 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Quiet conditions (<50% probability of C-class flares)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 26 Feb 2013 10CM FLUX: 097 / AP: 006
PREDICTIONS FOR 27 Feb 2013 10CM FLUX: 099 / AP: 004
PREDICTIONS FOR 28 Feb 2013 10CM FLUX: 101 / AP: 012
COMMENT: A moderate chance for C-class flares is expected. Geomagnetic
conditions are expected to remain quiet up till Feb 28 onwards when
geomagnetic conditions will possibly be disturbed (Kp=3) due to the
influence of a recurrent coronal hole.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 034, BASED ON 08 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 25 Feb 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 052
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 095
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 009
AK WINGST : 005
ESTIMATED AP : 004
ESTIMATED ISN : 031, BASED ON 14 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
END
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20688. New bureau record?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-26 20:34:47 UTC
From: John G.
Topic: 20688 Message: 20688

Got a QSL in via the bureau from the QSL manager of 9M6XRO for 30m CW. The QSO was made on December 17, 2012 Now that is fast!

John AF5CC

20689. Postage

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-27 01:40:13 UTC
From: dale cole
Topic: 20689 Message: 20689

US rates for international postage changed some time ago. What did they raise to for US to International? Got one ready to go to Europe, but forgot what denominition to put on it :(
Dale K8TS

20690. RE: [DX-IS] Postage

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-27 01:44:10 UTC
From: KQ8M
Topic: 20689 Message: 20690

$1.10 now.

73,

Tim Herrick, KQ8M

Charter Member North Coast Contesters

kq8m@...

AR-Cluster V6 kq8m.no-ip.org

User Ports: 23, 7373 with local skimmer, 7374 without local skimmer

Server Ports: V6 3607, V4 Active 3605, V4 Passive 3606

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of dale cole
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2013 8:40 PM
To: dx-is@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] Postage

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Europe, but forgot what denominition to put on it :(

Dale K8TS

20691. Re: [DX-IS] Postage

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-27 01:47:59 UTC
From: dale cole
Topic: 20689 Message: 20691

Thanks Tim

From: KQ8M <kq8m@...>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tue, February 26, 2013 8:44:07 PM
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Postage

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20692. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-27 14:01:03 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 20692

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:Issued: 2013 Feb 27 1315 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30227
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 27 Feb 2013, 1254UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 27 Feb 2013 until 01 Mar 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Quiet conditions (<50% probability of C-class flares)
GEOMAGNETISM : Active conditions expected (A>=20 or K=4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 27 Feb 2013 10CM FLUX: 103 / AP: 004
PREDICTIONS FOR 28 Feb 2013 10CM FLUX: 105 / AP: 006
PREDICTIONS FOR 01 Mar 2013 10CM FLUX: 107 / AP: 016
COMMENT: Under the influence of a recurrent coronal hole, we expect the
solar wind speed to increase moderately by March 1 and trigger active
geomagnetic conditions. No flaring activity is expected soon. We keep an
eye on NOAA AR 1681, which is developing interesting magnetic complexity
and on a new, dynamic, active region on the south east limb.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 035, BASED ON 07 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 26 Feb 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 046
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 099
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 009
AK WINGST : 006
ESTIMATED AP : 005
ESTIMATED ISN : 034, BASED ON 13 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
END
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20693. Re: T30PY QSL

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-27 19:41:55 UTC
From: jerry
Topic: 20683 Message: 20693

If you can wait 2 more months, they are supposed to load up to LOTW 6 months after the expedition.
Jerry K9PY

20694. FJ, FS,PJ5/6

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-27 22:51:57 UTC
From: Brian Alsop
Topic: 20694 Message: 20694

These parts of the world seems to be mostly absent in 2013.

73 de Brian/K3KO

No virus found in this message.
Checked by AVG - www.avg.com
Version: 2012.0.2238 / Virus Database: 2641/5636 - Release Date: 02/27/13

20695. Re: [DX-IS] FJ, FS,PJ5/6

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-27 23:34:24 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 20694 Message: 20695

On 2/27/2013 6:51 PM, Brian Alsop wrote:
> These parts of the world seems to be mostly absent in 2013.
>
> 73 de Brian/K3KO
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>

You pay and I'll go, Brian. A one man (and one non-Ham wife to log) operation to FJ, FS and PJ5/6. I will do them from around 10 March until 10 April, but I'm flexible with the dates. I'll need $10,000 to by portable gear because I don't want to tear my shack apart. Would like a SteppIR and about a 30-40 foot fibreglass mast to hold it up. I'll use dipoles or a Windom for the low bands. Let's up it to $12K for equipment to be sure it's all covered.

Now, air travel . . . I probably can get a return ticket for $1K ($2K for the two of us) plus another $2K for the inter-island hops.

Need places to stay and I don't want any rat holes, so figure $200 a night. We can eat for $100 a day.

So:

Gear: $12K
Air: $ 4K
Lodging: $200 X 30 = $6K
Food $100 X 30 days = $3K

Total: $25K

Send a cashier's cheque for $25K to my QRZ.COM address . . . I'll only be QRV for one QSO per band (160-10 with you, of course) from each location. However, if it helps you with the CQ Marathon or whatever you are chasing, I'm willing to do it. It's cold and snowy here and I hate to leave, but I'll do it for you. I'll even throw in PJ7 seeing as I'll be on the same island (FS) at no extra cost! <G>

73, Paul VE1DX

20696. Re: [DX-IS] FJ, FS,PJ5/6

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-27 23:48:15 UTC
From: Brian Alsop
Topic: 20694 Message: 20696

XYL and I were going through this math. It got to the point about
"bringing a radio or radio operating" and that killed the deal.

73 de Brian/K3KO

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> 73, Paul VE1DX
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20697. Re: T30PY QSL

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-28 00:48:43 UTC
From: Bob
Topic: 20683 Message: 20697

Thanks Jerry

but... I Requested a direct card via their OQRS, added a donation, and the web site says all wewe posted last month (Jan).

Also sent an email. Haven't got a response yet.

Just wondering.

Bob

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> If you can wait 2 more months, they are supposed to load up to LOTW 6
> months after the expedition.
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20698. Re: [DX-IS] FJ, FS,PJ5/6

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-28 01:06:05 UTC
From: iain macdonnell - N6ML
Topic: 20694 Message: 20698

FS coming up next month...

http://dx-world.net/2013/fs-dk5on-pj7-dk5on-saint-martin-sint-maarten/

Don't know of any plans for the others, but hopefully someone will show up.....

73,

~iain / N6ML

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20699. Re: [DX-IS] Re: T30PY QSL

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-28 01:17:08 UTC
From: Richard Williams
Topic: 20683 Message: 20699

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Dick K8ZTT

From: Bob <kb1jzu@...>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2013 5:48 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: T30PY QSL

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20700. Re: [DX-IS] Re: T30PY QSL

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-28 01:46:01 UTC
From: Bob KA9MOM
Topic: 20683 Message: 20700

News posted today on the T30PY website.

http://www.mdxc.org/t30py/

Great News: All The Log Will Be Uploaded To LOTW!
<http://www.mdxc.org/t30py/great-news-all-the-log-will-be-uploaded-to-lotw/>

27/02/13 |News <http://www.mdxc.org/t30py/category/news/>

According our qsl policy, all the log would be sent to LOTW after 6
months of the end of dxpedition.

But the team resolved to upload all the log to LOTW now!!

Yes, in a couple of days you going to see your confirmation.

Best Regards

T30PY/T30SIX team

Bob KA9MOM

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20701. Re: T30PY QSL

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-28 02:07:31 UTC
From: Bob
Topic: 20683 Message: 20701

Bob

Thanks for the copy hadn't seen that.
I wouldn't have been in the first LOTW batch because I sent then $15 not $20 which I found out later on the site was the minimum. Just a couple of band fillers but I'm about to do an application.

73
Bob

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20702. FO/C

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-28 07:29:45 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 20702 Message: 20702

Hi Guys,

I see the Clipperton DXpedition (that I would have preferred to have gone to TI9, but that's another story) is due to start.
Looking forward to using that DXA thingo that was on K7C some years back, that was interesting.

Perhaps when the TX gets underway it will give the XT guys a breather from the piles and a chance to work the long haul stuff Oceania way :), well here's hoping....

Good luck to all,

73, Lance - VK6DU

20703. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-28 14:01:03 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 20703

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:Issued: 2013 Feb 28 1147 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30228
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 28 Feb 2013, 1124UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 28 Feb 2013 until 02 Mar 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >= 50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Active conditions expected (A>=20 or K=4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 28 Feb 2013 10CM FLUX: 105 / AP: 014
PREDICTIONS FOR 01 Mar 2013 10CM FLUX: 107 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 02 Mar 2013 10CM FLUX: 109 / AP: 005
COMMENT: 50% chance for C-class flaring is expected, mainly from NOAA
AR 1682 and 1683. Active geomagnetic conditions are expected in the
coming days due to the influence of small coronal hole. No geomagnetic
effect is expected from the last 2 partial halo CME reported by CACTUS
(CME lift off times 2013-02-26T09:36 and 2013-02-27T04:36, both
Westward).

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 046, BASED ON 07 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 27 Feb 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 045
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 102
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 007
AK WINGST : 005
ESTIMATED AP : 003
ESTIMATED ISN : 037, BASED ON 15 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
END
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20704. ARLD009 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-28 23:21:12 UTC
From: jjreisert@...
Topic: 1568 Message: 20704

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ARLD009 DX news

ZCZC AE09
QST de W1AW
DX Bulletin 9 ARLD009
>From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT February 28, 2013
To all radio amateurs

SB DX ARL ARLD009
ARLD009 DX news

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by NC1L, QRZ DX, The Weekly DX, the OPDX Bulletin, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, DXNL, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

BELIZE, V31. Operators N8LJ, AC8W and KB8TXZ plan to be QRV as V31LJ, V31AC and V31VJ, respectively, until March 5. This will include a multi-single entry in the ARRL DX SSB Contest. Activity will be on 160 to 6 meters using CW, RTTY and SSB. QSL V31LJ via K8ESQ. QSL V31AC and V31VJ via KB8TXZ.

CROATIA, 9A. Charlie, NF4A will be operating with the 9A1A group in the ARRL DX SSB Contest. Before and after the contest, he will be QRV as 9A5PC, until March 5. QSL to NF4A.

UGANDA, 5X. Alan, G3XAQ will be active as 5X1XA on the HF bands using CW, through March 14. QSL via G3SWH.

CAYMAN ISLANDS, ZF. During the ARRL DX SSB Contest look for Chris, HB9ELV to be operating as ZF2EL from Grand Cayman. QSL via LoTW.

SINT MAARTEN, PJ7. Randy, N0TG, Ron, AA4VK and Jeff, N1SNB plan to be QRV as PJ7/N0TG, PJ7/AA4VK and PJ7/N1SNB from March 15 to 23. The new QSL route is via AA4VK.

BELARUS, EW. In celebration of the 50th anniversary of the Dalnye Strany Radio Club, special event station EV50WB will be QRV during March. QSL for SSB QSOs via EU1AZ and via EU1DX for CW and RTTY QSOs. They will also use LoTW.

RWANDA, 9X. Nick, G3RWF (5X1NH) plans to be QRV from March 4 to 12. He applied for the call sign 9X0NH and hopes to be back later this year for another visit. He will operate mostly CW from Kigali. QSL via G3RWF or LoTW.

FRENCH GUIANA, FY. Marc, F1HAR will use the call sign FY5KE in the ARRL DX SSB Contest in the SOSB 15m HP category. QSL to F1HAR via the bureau, FY5KE direct, or LoTW. Herve, F5HRY will also be QRV from Kourou in this contest, signing TO1A in the SOSB 10 meter category. QSL via LoTW only.

TURKEY, TA. Willi, DJ7RJ will be on the bands as TA4/DJ7RJ until March 18, with a preference for the lowbands in CW and SSB. QSL via home call.

COSTA RICA, TI. Juan Carlos TI2JCY, Carlos TI2KAC, Mauricio TI4ZM, Eddie K4UN, Bob W4BW, Keith W4KTR, and Lex W4XO will take part in the ARRL DX SSB Contest as TI8M in one of the multi operator categories. Before and during the contest they will be active on all HF bands. QSL via TI2KAC.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, W. Dave, K3FT and Rob, N3RW will be active in the ARRL DX SSB Contest from the USS New Jersey battleship as NJ2BB, using the ship's antennas and possibly some military surplus equipment. QSL via KB2BRR.

CAMBODIA, XU. Eddy, ON4AFU will undertake a one man DXpedition from March 3 to 14 as XU7AFU, using CW. QSL via home call.

AFGHANISTAN, YA. Eric, K9GY (T6MO) will take part in the ARRL DX SSB Contest in the SOAB LP category, with a focus on 20 meters. If conditions permit he will also work 15 and 10 meters. QSL via home call.

NICARAGUA, YN. Scott, K7ZO will use his new short call, YN5Z in the ARRL DX SSB Contest in the SOAB HP category. QSL via home call or LoTW.

ALBANIA, ZA. Max, IZ4JMA will be QRV as ZA/IZ4JMA for at least 18 months on all bands and in all modes. QSL via IZ4JMA.

RODRIGUES ISLAND, 3B9. Operators Toshi, JA8BMK, Ken, JN1THL (AB1GJ) and Yoshiko, JQ1LCW (KF7JXL) will be active as 3B9DX from March 1 to 10. Activity will be on 80 to 10 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31. QSL via EA5GL direct only.

LESOTHO, 7P. Peter, EI7CC will be active as 7P8PB from March 6 to 26. Activity will be limited because he will be on a family holiday and will operate when circumstances permit. QSL to EI7CC, via the bureau or direct.

BARBADOS, 8P. Gerry, W1VE will be QRV as 8P9RM until March 1. Then for the ARRL DX SSB Contest he will sign 8P1V. Activity will be on 160 to 6 meters, but with a concentration on low-band CW, and then SSB during the contest. QSL both call signs via his home call sign, direct only, no bureau. Also, Tom, W2SC will be active as 8P5A during the contest as a Single-Op/All-Band/High Power entry. QSL via NN1N.

ARUBA, P4. Andy, AE6Y will be active as P49Y during the ARRL DX SSB Contest as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via LoTW or AE6Y.

MICRONESIA, V6. Operators Sho, JA7HMZ (V63DX) and Kei, JA7GYP (V63T) will be active from Pohnpei Island from April 15 to 20. Activity will be on all bands and modes. QSL via their home call signs.

OPERATIONS APPROVED FOR DXCC CREDIT. The following operations are approved for DXCC Credit, 4S7DXG, Sri Lanka, only operations in 2008 and 2011. 8Q7VR, Maldives, only operations in 2008 and 2011.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The ARRL International Phone DX Contest and Open Ukraine RTTY Championship are on tap for this weekend. The NS Weekly Sprint is March 1. The OK1WC Memorial Contest is March 4. Please see March QST, page 84, and the ARRL and WA7BNM contest web sites for details.
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20705. Fwd: [New post] TX5K Has Landed!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-02-28 23:37:53 UTC
From: Bob Froelich
Topic: 20705 Message: 20705

Begin forwarded message:

> From: Clipperton Island 2013 DX-pedition <comment-reply@...>
> Date: February 28, 2013, 5:34:30 PM CST
> To: rfroelich@...
> Subject: [New post] TX5K Has Landed!
> Reply-To: "Clipperton Island 2013 DX-pedition"
<comment+_g5qmg3_vokdavl2vrxukv@comment.wordpress.com>
>
>
> Respond to this post by replying above this line
> New post on Clipperton Island 2013 DX-pedition
>
>
> TX5K Has Landed!
> by ky6r
> Here Bob explaining that they were able to land and all is going very well today:
>
> TX5K_Has_Landed
>
> He said they have all life support, 2 out of 3 tents up, 20 members of the team on the island and that they have generators and lights that they can use to do some work into the night. They will set up radios tomorrow - so this is all great news.
>
> A sailboat stopped by to say hello, and I will upload any photos that I receive from them as soon as I get them.
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> ky6r | February 28, 2013 at 11:34 pm | Categories: Uncategorized | URL:
http://wp.me/p32T0R-2H
> Comment See all comments Like
> Unsubscribe or change your email settings at Manage Subscriptions.
>
> Trouble clicking? Copy and paste this URL into your browser:
> http://ky6r.com/2013/02/28/tx5k-has-landed/
> Thanks for flying with WordPress.com
>

20706. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-01 14:01:03 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 20706

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:Issued: 2013 Mar 01 1254 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30301
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 01 Mar 2013, 1247UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 01 Mar 2013 until 03 Mar 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Quiet conditions (<50% probability of C-class flares)
GEOMAGNETISM : Minor geomagnetic storm expected (A>=30 or K=5)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 01 Mar 2013 10CM FLUX: 110 / AP: 026
PREDICTIONS FOR 02 Mar 2013 10CM FLUX: 112 / AP: 019
PREDICTIONS FOR 03 Mar 2013 10CM FLUX: 114 / AP: 007
COMMENT: The predicted enhancement of geomagnetic activity is
strengthening further than foreseen with K=5 levels now recorded at
different locations. We expect the responsible high speed solar wind
stream to persist for 1-2 days. Flaring activity is expected at the
C-class level, in particular from NOAA AR 1683, currently near the South
East limb.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 062, BASED ON 07 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 28 Feb 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 067
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 106
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 032
AK WINGST : 011
ESTIMATED AP : 011
ESTIMATED ISN : 046, BASED ON 19 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
END
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20707. 425 DX News - #1139

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-01 17:21:14 UTC
From: r_brothers
Topic: 20707 Message: 20707

02 March 2013 A.R.I. DX Bulletin
No 1139
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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** DX INFORMATION ****
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Edited by I1JQJ & IK1ADH
Direttore Responsabile I2VGW

5H - Maurizio, IK2GZU will be active again as 5H3MB from Ilembula, Tanzania from 7 April to 8 May, while doing volunteer work for the local mission. QSL via IK2GZU and LoTW. Log search and OQRS for bureau and direct cards at www.buffoli-pm.it
7X - 7T50ARA and 7T9A are two special callsigns to be used from 1 March to 30 May to celebrate the 50th anniversary of ARA (Amateurs Radio Algeriens), Algeria's IARU member society. QSL via 7X2ARA. Information on the relevant award can be found on qrz.com.
9X - Nick, G3RWF will operate (neither 160 nor 6m) mainly CW from Rwanda on 4-13 March. He will collect his license (hopefully 9X0NH) upon arrival. QSL via home call and LoTW.
A3 - Werner, A35WH is still active from Tongatapu (OC-049) until 2 March. His planned side trip to Vava'u (OC-064) [425DXN 1133] has been cancelled due to problems with local flights. QSL via home call (DJ9KH), direct or bureau.
EU - Special callsign EV50WB will be in use on 1-31 March to celebrate the 50th anniversary of Radioclub Dalnye Strany (EW1WB) of Minsk, Belarus. QSL via EU1AZ (SSB and CW QSOs) and EU1DX (RTTY QSOs), plus LoTW. [TNX EU1DX]
G - G3VFC, M0KJA, M0RFD, M0VFC, M6KOM, M6VFC and 2E1EVK will be active as GX5MW/p from the Isle of Wight (EU-120) on 16-23 March. QSL via M0RFD, direct or bureau. [TNX rsgbiota.org]
H4 - Announced frequencies for the 8-25 March H44G expedition to Guadalcanal (OC-047), Solomon Islands [425DXN 1123] are:
CW 1825.5 3505 7005 10115 14005 18070 21005 24890 28005 50103
SSB - - 7100 - 14140 18130 21240 24940 28400 -
RTTY - - - 10144 14080 18100 21080 24920 28080 -
Announced frequencies for the concurrent 12-23 March H40T expedition to Nendo Island (OC-100, Temotu province [425DXN 1123] are:
CW 1818.0 3515 7015 10122 14015 18077 21015 24895 28015 50103
SSB - - 7150 - 14165 18140 21265 24965 28450 -
RTTY - - - 10140 14093 18105 21090 24925 28090 -
QSL for both H44G and H40T via DL7DF, direct or bureau, and LoTW "within 6 months of the completion of the DXpedition". Logsearch and further information at www.dl7df.com/h4/index.php
J3 - Bob, G3PJT will be active as J34G from Grenada (NA-024) on 5-20

March, including an entry in the RSGB Commonwealth Contest (9-10 March). QSL via G3PJT. [TNX NG3K]
J7 - Rick, KK4GV will be active holiday style as J79GV from Dominica (NA-101) on 8-17 March. He will operate SSB only. QSL via home call, direct or bureau, and LoTW.
KH0 - Sam, JE1XUZ (KH0XH) and Tama, JQ2WTT (KH0XW) will be active from Saipan (OC-086) from 10 March to 1 April. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. They will participate in the CQ WW WPX SSB Contest from the AH0BT contest station. [TNX NG3K]
KP2 - Matt, K0BBC is active as KP2/K0BBC from will be active from St. Thomas, Virgin Islands (NA-106) until 5 March, including an entry in the ARRL DX SSB Contest. QSL via home call. [TNX K0BBC]
KP2 - Look for KP2/JS6RRR (QSL via home call), KP2/K2JA (QSL via JL3SIK), KP2/KI3DNN (QSL via JI3DNN), KP2/W3JH (QSL via JR3QFB) and WP2KY (QSL via JR3QFB) to be active from the Virgin Islands (NA-106) on 13-19 March. They plan to be QRV on 160-6 metres SSB, CW, FM and digital modes. [TNX JR3TVH]
OZ - Look for Harry, OZ/PA1H and Nico, OZ/PA7PA to be active from Laeso Island (EU-088) on 13-26 April. They will operate SSB and digital modes on 80-10 metres, if possible also on 160m. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. [TNX PA1H]
PA - Dirk, DL5DCL will be active holiday style as PA/DL5DCL from Ameland Island (EU-038) on 1-6 April. He will operate CW only "on several HF bands". QSL via home call, direct or bureau (OQRS on Club Log). More information can be found at www.dl5dcl.de [TNX DL5DCL]
PJ2 - Mike W1USN, Bob AA1M and Scott W1SSR will be active as PJ2/ from Curacao (SA-099) on 8-22 March. They will operate SSB, CW, PSK and RTTY on 160-10 metres. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. [TNX NG3K]
S2 - Vadym, UT6UD will be active as S21XV from Bangladesh on 1-7 March. He plans to operate on all bands with a focus on North America. QSL via home call. [TNX DX World]
SU - A team from the Egyptian Radio Amateur Society for Development including SU1AO, SU1AR, SU1SK and SU3YM will be active as SU8N from Jazirat Disuqi (Nelson's Island, AF-109: new one for IOTA) on 3-10 May. [TNX SU1SK]
TK - Vincent F4BKV, Gil F4FET, Christian EA3NT and Laurent TK4LS will be active from three Corsican IOTA groups as follows:
23 March TK0INT EU-100
24 March TK1INT EU-104
25 March TK1INT EU-104
26 March TK0INT EU-100
27 March TK2INT EU-164
28 March TK2INT EU-164
They will operate SSB and CW with three stations on 40, 30, 20 17, 15 and 10 metres, using vertical GPs and vertical dipoles. QRV time from all of the three groups will be 8-18 UTC, as they are not permitted to overnight on the islands. These are protected areas, and from EU-100 they will have to use car batteries. QSL via

EA5KA, direct or bureau, and LoTW. Logsearch, OQRS and further information can be found at http://f4bkv.net/corsica2013/
UA - Vladimir, RV3EFH will be active as RV3EFH/0 from Bolshevik Island (AS-042) between March and October. He will operate CW, SSB and digital modes on 40, 20, 15 and 10 metres. QSL via home call. [TNX W5PF]
VE - David, VE3AAQ will be active as VO2AAA from Zone 2 on 7-10 March, including an entry in the RSGB Commonwealth Contest. QSL via VE3AAQ. [TNX VA3RJ]
VK9C - Chris, GM3WOJ and Keith, GM4YXI will be active as VK9CZ (replacing VK9C/GM2MP) from the Cocos-Keeling Islands (OC-003) from 30 March to 13 April [425DXN 1133]. A website is under construction at www.vk9cz.com. [TNX GM3WOJ]
VP5 - Urb, W1UL and his wife Patricia, W2PKV will be active as VP5/W1UL (mainly CW) and VP5/W2PKV (mainly SSB) from Provideciales (NA-002), Turks and Caicos on 7-13 March. QSL for both via W1UL. [TNX NG3K]
YB - Imam, YB4IR and others will be active as YB6N from Nias Island (OC-161) on 7-13 March. QSL via YB4IR (he requires that cards reach him before 31 August 2013).
YB - Look for YB3MM/6, YB6AR/p, YC6EI/p and YF1AR/6 to be active from Rondo Island (OC-245) on 9-17 March. They might be using a special callsign. QSL via IZ8CCW. Website at www.mdxc.org/oc-245/
YB - John YB5NOF, Anton YB5QZ and other three operators will be active as YE8B from the Banggai Islands (OC-208) from 26 April to 2 May. Plans are to be QRV on 80-10 metres CW, SSB and RTTY. Shu, JN6RZM (jn6rzm[@]nifty.com) is collecting donations by Paypal. [TNX JN6RZM]

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** GOOD TO KNOW ... ****
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Edited by I1JQJ & IK1ADH
Direttore Responsabile I2VGW

ARRL DX CONTEST (SSB) ---> Object of the contest is for W/VE amateurs to work as many stations in as many DXCC entities as possible on 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, and 10 metre bands, while DX stations work as many W/VE stations in as many of the 48 contiguous states and provinces as possible (full rules can be found at www.arrl.org/arrl-dx). This year's event will run from from 00.00 UTC 2 March through 23.59 UTC on the 3rd. Do not forget to give a look at the Announced Operations listing maintained by Bill, NG3K at www.ng3k.com/Misc/adxs2013.html

DXCC NEWS ---> 4S7DXG (Sri Lanka, only operations in 2008 and 2011) and 8Q7VR (Maldives, only operations in 2008 and 2011) have been approved for DXCC credit. If you had credit rejected for contacts with dates during the periods noted, contact dxccrules[@]arrl.org to be put on the list for an update. Contacts before or after these periods cannot be accepted. Also, in order to expedite the search for these QSOs please include the application

"date received" or "reference number" noted on your credit slip of the submission these were originally rejected. [TNX NC1L]

QSL GALLERY ---> The large collection of QSL cards on Les Nouvelles DX's web site has been updated. Fourteen different galleries include more than 10,600 cards for the ten Most Wanted DXCC Entities (2004-12), the 61 deleted DXCC Entities, obsolete prefixes, stations from Magrebh from 1945 to 1962, Allied Forces stations in Germany (1946-69), Antarctic bases & TAAF (Terres Australes and Antarctiques Francaises), the various French DXCC island Entities in the Pacific Ocean, the Indian Ocean and the Americas (from 1945 to 1970), pre-1945 countries, French Departments and CONUS, plus a gallery for cards not accepted by DXCC. Your participation is encouraged - please visit www.LesNouvellesdx.fr and send your comments to lesnouvellesdx[@]free.fr [TNX F6AJA]

RSGB COMMONWEALTH CONTEST ---> The 76th edition of the Commonwealth (BERU) Contest (www.beru.org.uk) will be held on 9-10 March, from 10 UTC to 10 UTC, on 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 metres CW. Only operators located within the Commonwealth or British Mandated Territories are eligible to enter.

TX5K ---> The TX5K team arrived at Clipperton at 04.30 UTC on 27 February, were able to land on the 28th and expected to set up radios on 1 March. Follow the updates posted by KY6R at http://ky6r.com/. The preferred method to use for QSLling is the OQRS provided by Club Log for either direct and bureau cards. Traditional requests go via N2OO (Bob Schenck, P.O. Box 345, Tuckerton NJ 08087-0345, USA). The log will be uploaded to LoTW "within six months after the end of the DXpedition".

+ SILENT KEYS + RSGB Life Vice President John Patrick Hawker, MBE (G3VA) passed away on 21 February at 90 years of age. In addition to writing the "Technical Topics" column in the Radio Society of Great Britain's journal for fifty years (1958-2008), he also authored various books on electronics and radio and television engineering. In 2006 he was inducted into the CQ Amateur Radio Hall of Fame and made a Member of the Order of the British Empire by Queen Elizabeth II for "Services to Radio Communications". Other recently reported Silent Keys include Valery N. Metaxa (ER1DA) and Pavel V. Presnov (RU3UA).

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20708. 425 DX Calendar - #1139

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20709. ARLP009 Propagation de K7RA

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QST de W1AW
Propagation Forecast Bulletin 9 ARLP009
>From Tad Cook, K7RA
Seattle, WA March 1, 2013
To all radio amateurs

SB PROP ARL ARLP009
ARLP009 Propagation de K7RA

Solar and geomagnetic activity over the past week (Thursday through Wednesday, February 21-27) declined, with the average daily sunspot number dropping nearly 21 points to 57.7. Average daily solar flux softened by 4.7 points to 100.9, and average daily planetary A index declined 6.4 points to 5.1. This isn't much of a change, but geomagnetic activity was low already, and this is even lower.

Predicted solar flux for the near term is 110 on March 1-3, 105 on March 4-7, 100 on March 8, 95 on March 9-14, 100 on March 15-16, 105 on March 17, and 110 on March 18-20. Solar flux then reaches a peak of 120 on March 25-27, and on March 28 through April 6 maintains an average around 113.

The predicted planetary A index is 12 and 8 March 1-2, 5 on March 3-4, 8 on March 5, 7 on March 6-7, 5 on March 8-10, 7 on March 11-12, and 5 on March 13-20.

OK1HH predicts quiet to active geomagnetic conditions on March 1, mostly quite March 2, quiet to unsettled March 3, quiet on March 4, mostly quiet March 5, quiet to unsettled March 6, quiet to active March 7, quiet on March 8, mostly quiet March 9-10, quiet to active March 11-12, quiet to unsettled March 13-16, mostly quiet March 17-18, quiet to unsettled March 19-21, active to disturbed March 22 and quiet on March 23-24.

It is interesting to note that OK1HH predicts active to disturbed conditions on March 22, but NOAA and USAF predict a benign planetary A index of only 5 on that date.

This weekend is the ARRL International Phone DX Contest, from March 2, 0000z to March 3, 2400z. If you are on the West Coast, and use Pacific Standard Time, that would begin at 4:00 PM on Friday, ending at 4:00 PM on Sunday. For more info, check http://www.arrl.org/arrl-dx.

With February ended, let's look at some updated averages. Our most recent 3-month moving average does not impress. The three months centered on January 2013 had an average daily sunspot number of 73.6. This is below every three-month moving average for last year, except the three months centered on March 2012, which was 71.2. The 3-month moving averages of daily sunspot numbers centered on January 2012 through January 2013 were 83.3, 73.7, 71.2, 87.3, 91.5, 96.5, 91.9, 89.9, 81.2, 82.3, 74.4, 82.8 and 73.6.

Jim Henderson, KF7E sent a link to an impressive NASA clip of solar activity from last July. Note that you can set this video to HD resolution, and it looks great on full screen. See it at http://apod.nasa.gov/apod/ap130226.html.

Also check out the photo gallery of solar events at http://news.cnet.com/2300-11386_3-10015988.html and note the dramatic composite image number 4.

Walt Knodle, W7VS sent an article about artificial ionosphere produced by the HAARP facility in Alaska with a 3.6 megawatt signal on 69 meters. Note that they are only able to produce the effect for 45 seconds. Read about it at http://phys.org/news/2013-02-scientists-densest-artificial-ionospheric-plasma.html.

I think the Wikipedia page at http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/High_Frequency_Active_Auroral_Research_Program gives a pretty good overview of the HAARP project.

Also the September 1996 issue of QST has a nice article by K3NS titled, "The High Frequency Active Auroral Research Program." ARRL members can find and download it from the ARRL website with a search at http://www.arrl.org/arrl-periodicals-archive-search.

Jim Smith, K3RTU operated on HF CW from Ridley Creek State Park in Southeast Pennsylvania (FM29) on February 25. He wrote, "I hooked up with EA8BVP in the Canary Islands. 'Bal' EA8BVP was using a FT-817 and a vertical, and I was using my FT-817 and my trusty Buddistick vertical. This CW QSO took place early in the afternoon on 18.086 MHz. I had been trying to make a contact on 20 meters and was having no luck so I QSYed to 17 meters and almost within minutes heard EA8BVP calling CQ. Both of our signal levels were S4 to S5. I frequently operate on 17 meter CW while out backpacking and more often than not it provides me with good long distance contacts."

It looks like the path from the park to the Canary Islands would be good in the early afternoon, with the best 17 meter signals that day from 1200-2200 UTC. 17 meters does look like a better bet, with 20 meters not catching up until after 2000 UTC.

If you would like to make a comment or have a tip for our readers, email the author at, k7ra@....

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service web page at http://arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals. For an explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin, see http://arrl.org/the-sun-the-earth-the-ionosphere. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at http://arrl.org/w1aw-bulletins-archive-propagation. Find more good information and tutorials on propagation at http://myplace.frontier.com/~k9la/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://arrl.org/propagation.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of ARRL bulletins are at http://arrl.org/bulletins.

Sunspot numbers for February 21 through 27 were 75, 79, 56, 25, 59, 49, and 61, with a mean of 57.7. 10.7 cm flux was 108.5, 107, 99.6, 94.9, 95.4, 98.7, and 102, with a mean of 100.9. Estimated planetary A indices were 6, 9, 6, 3, 3, 5, and 4, with a mean of 5.1. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 5, 9, 6, 2, 3, 4, and 4, with a mean of 4.7.
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20710. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1102

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** EDITOR'S SPECIAL NOTICE: This week's bulletin was sent out earlier than normal to accommodate the late ARRL DX SSB Contest announcements. Also, we wanted to provide the readers with a consolidated listing of the ARRL DX SSB Contest participants.

DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Saturday, 23rd-February, through Friday, 1st-March there were 231 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5U, 5V, 5W, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7X, 8P, 8Q, 8R, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9Q, 9U, 9V, 9X, 9Y, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C5, C6, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FH, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HC8, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J5, J6, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JX, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ5, PJ7, PY, PY0F, PZ, R1FJ, S2, S5, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T30, T7, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TR, TT, TU, TY, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V6, V7, V8, VE, VK, VP2E, VP2M, VP2V, VP5, VP6, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VR, VU, XE, XT, XU, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YK, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z3, Z8, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

3V, TUNISIA. SWL Ashraf "Ash", 3V4-002 (KF5EYY), will be active as 3V8BB from the "Institute Superieur de L'Animation Pour la Jeunesse et la Culture" station in Tunis, during the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 2-3rd) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via LoTW or to LX1NO. Read about Ashraf on the following Web page at: http://www.kf5eyy.info

3V, TUNISIA (Op/Web Update). An Italian group, along with the Association des Radio Amateurs Tunisiens (ARAT) and the Engineering University of Gabes, who are planning a second IOTA DXpedition to Djerba Island (AF-083, WW. Loc. JM53KT, WFF 3VFF-007, WLOTA L-1394 and ARLHS TUN-022), as TS8TI (will receive license in March) between April 29th and May 6th (see OPDX.1100 & OPDX.1101), have announced that they will now be active on all HF bands, including the 30/17/12/6 meter bands using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31/63/125 modes. The team is still in need of sponsors and individual contributions. Contact: ik7jwx2003@...
For more info and updates, watch the following Web pages:
http://www.qrz.com/db/TS8TI/
http://www.arilimbiate.it/
https://www.facebook.com/notifications#!/alfredo.denisi

8Q, MALDIVES. Wolfgang, OE1MWW, will be active as 8Q7WK between March 9-23rd. Activity will be holiday style on the HF bands. QSL via his home callsign.

9X, RWANDA (Update/Reminder). Look for Nick, G3RWF (5X1NH), to be active from Rwanda between March 4-12th. He has requested the callsign 9X0NH, and the license should be valid for 2013 because he could return later in the year. Activity will be from Kigali on most HF bands and will be mainly CW with some SSB using 100 watts and wire antennas. There will be no 160m, but he will be on 6 meters. QSL via G3RWF. Nick will upload his log daily on LoTW.

CQ NEWS. Richard, W2VU, Editor of CQ Amateur Radio, sent out the following press release on February 28th: CQ Launches Online Photo Gallery (Hicksville, New York) -- CQ magazine today announced the launch of the online CQ Photo Gallery to supplement photos published in the magazine.
"We shoot photos at many events, and receive many photos from readers, that we don't have space to put in the magazine," said CQ Editor Rich Moseson, W2VU. "But we still want to share them with our readers. The new CQ Photo Gallery allows us to do that."
The photo gallery resides on the flickr.com web site and is organized into albums called "sets." Initial sets include CQ cover images; the "CQ Garage," featuring ham radio license plates from all over; news photos from the FCC's field hearing on communications lessons from Superstorm Sandy, and reader-submitted photos. Moseson recommended that readers check into the gallery site frequently, as new photos will be added regularly. The CQ Photo Gallery may be accessed at:
http://www.flickr.com/photos/cqphotogallery/sets
CQ <www.cq-amateur-radio.com> is the world's leading independent amateur radio magazine, serving the amateur radio community worldwide since 1945. It is published in three languages (English, Spanish and Portuguese) and in both print and digital editions.

EF8, CANARY ISLANDS. Carlos, IK1HJS, will be active as EF8U from Las Palmas Contest station during the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 2-3rd) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via LoTW or by the Bureau.

HOLYLAND CONTEST 2013. Mark, 4Z4KX, wants to remain everyone that the "Holyland Contest 2013" starts at 2100z on April 19th, and ends at 2100z on April 20th (24 hours!). This year's contest goal will be to have as many Israeli mobile stations activating many different and rare squares for the "Holyland Award". Complete contest details and last year's results are available at:
http://www.iarc.org/~4z1pf/HOLYLAND%20CONTEST%202012%20RESULTS.pdf

HC8, GALAPAGOS ISLANDS. "DX-World.net" reports that Adam, K7ST, is currently operating from a moored boat at the Galapagos Islands. This does not count for DXCC. However, during the weekend he will be on land for the ARRL SSB DX Contest (March 2-3rd) as K7ST/HC8 where it will be good for DXCC.

HR, HONDURAS. After being active from the 5X8C DXpedition, Gerard, F2FD, is now again active as HR5/F2JD from Copan between now and May 20th. He states that he will be active as much as possible on CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via F6AJA or LoTW. QSOs will be on ClubLog. Also, visit his Web page at: http://f2jd.free.fr

IOTA DXPEDITIONS (Corsican). Operators Vincent/F4BKV, Gil/F4FET, Christian/EA3NT and Laurent/TK4LS will activate the following Corsican IOTAs between March 23-28th, with individual callsigns:
EU-100 - Between March 23-26th; Callsign TK0INT; Cerbicales Islands; 10th most wanted IOTA in Europe; Reference numbers DIFM TK-032 and WFF FFF945. The island is a natural reserve and the group only has access during the daytime at this time of year. Island was activated 7 years ago.
EU-104 - Between March 24-25th; Callsign TK1INT; Sanguinaires Islands; 5th most wanted IOTA in Europe; Reference numbers DIFM TK-002 and ARLHS COR003.
EU-164 - Between March 27-28th; Callsign TK2INT; San Ciprianu and Lavezzi Islands; 27th most wanted IOTA in Europe; Reference numbers DIFM TK-037 and WFF FFF253; DIFM TK-011 and WFF FFF068.
Operations will be limited to daytime hours only with up to 3 stations on the air. Activity will be on any band that is open; 40/30/20/17/15/12/10 meters using verticals and vertical dipoles. QSL Manager is EA5KA. A OQRS will be available on their Web site. The group is looking for sponsors/donations for this project. For more details and updates, visit their Web page at: http://f4bkv.net/corsica2013
Also, a Twitter Page at: https://twitter.com/IOTAcorsica

IOTA NEWS.....
EU-038. Marcel, PD5MVH, will once again be active as PD5MVH/P from Vlieland Island between March 2-16th. Activity will be on 40/20/10 meters SSB. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau. NO LoTW or eQSL.

EU-038. Dirk, DL5DCL, will once again be active as PA/DL5DCL from Ameland Island for 5 days starting April 1st. Activity will be CW only on the HF bands. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

EU-137. Lars, SM6CUK, will be active as SA6G/7 from Ven Island (WLOTA 0780) between June 10-17th. Activity will be holiday style on the HF bands. QSL via SM6CUK, by the Bureau or direct.

EU-172. Ric, DL2VFR, will be active use a special callsign, OU1RAEM, from Samso Island (DIA JY-008, WLOTA 0726) between May 18-24th. While there Ric will activate a new WFF reference number for the World-Wide Flora and Fauna program (OZFF-new, to be decided). Activity will be on the HF bands and mainly CW. QSLs will automatically be sent for all QSOs via the Bureau. QSL OU1RAEM via DF5LW.

NA-034. Lou, W0FK, will be active from Longboat Key (USI FL053S, Sarasota County, FL) between March 2-16th. Activity will be on or near the usual island and IOTA frequencies on the HF bands. QSL vai W0FK, direct or by the Bureau. Also via LoTW.

OC-042. Operators Jose/DU1BP, Torsten/DL2KGS and Rag/LA6FJA will be active as DZ1B from Luzon Island during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th) as a Multi-2 entry. QSL via DU1BP.

OC-161. (Update) Members of the Indonesian Amateur Radio Organization of North Sumatra Area will be active as YB6N from Nias Island between March 8-13th. The following operators will also sign homecall/6: Ady/YB6VK (Team Leader), Alex/YB0SAT, Hendra/YB1HK, Imam/YB4IR and Anton/YB5QZ. Activity will be on the HF bands. QSL via YB4IR (see QRZ.com).

KH0/AH0, MARIANA ISLANDS. Operators Sam/JE1XUZ (KH0XH) and Tama/JQ2WTT (KH0XW) will be active from Saipan, Northern Mariana Islands (OC-086), between March 10th and April 1st. Both operators are undergraduates at a JA university. QSL via the operator's home callsign, by the JA Bureau or direct. Also, the duo plans to be active as AH0BT (Saipan BBQ Contest Club callsign) during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 30-31st). QSL via 7L1FPU, LoTW, by the JA Bureau or direct. Do NOT send to the W0 Bureau and the KH0 address.

KH2/NH2, GUAM. Operators Masanori/JA1OZK/W6LJ, Ryuji/JG1ITH/NY8A, Aki/JR3QFB/W3JH, Masaru/AI2K and Masatoshi/AH6KY/JA1MFR will be active as NH2KY (Ibaraki Net Amateur Radio Club callsign) between March 29th and April 2nd. QSL via JR3QFB. The team will use the callsign KH2KY (Guam Japanese DXer Club callsign) during the CQ WW WPX SSB Contest (March 30-31st) as a Multi-2 entry. QSL via JA1MFR.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (March 4-10th)....
Mar/04th AN Mar/07th AN Mar/09th AN
Mar/05th AN Mar/08th AN Mar/10th AN
Mar/06th AN

SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS/INDEXES AND GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE
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NORMALITY	GEOMAG K Values	Alpha
AN - Above Normal	Quiet K=0-1	0-7
HN - High Normal	Unsettled K=2	8-15
LN - Low Normal	Active K=3	16-29
BN - Below Normal	Minor Storm K=4	30-49
DIS - Disturbed	Major Storm K=5	50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed	Severe Storm K=6-9	100-400

KP4, PUERTO RICO. Angelo, KP4EU, will be active during the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 2-3rd) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (20m)/Low-Power entry. QSL via KP4EU.

LX, LUXEMBOURG. Philippe/LX2A will be active as LX7I during the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 2-3rd) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via LX2A. Visit the following Web page at: http://www.lx2a.com

NAURYZ DX CONTEST. The contest is organized and conducted in order to promote amateur radio on high frequency bands in countries of Central Asia (Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Uzbekistan, Tajikistan, and Turkmenistan) and is dedicated to the spring celebration of Nauryz (Nowruz) included in the representative list of UNESCO List of the Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity, declared as the International Nowruz Day. Contest is held on March 23rd, between 0200-0759z. Bands are 80/40/20/15/10 meters, and modes are CW and SSB. Complete details are available at: http://www.nauryz-dx-contest.com

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated March 1st)

3D2NB via W7YAQ EG7DA via EA7RCS PJ2/K8LEE via K8LEE (d)
5W0W via NR6M EH7DAM via EA7URM PQ7M via PS7HD
BM0LF via BM2JCC EO0UD via UR7UT UN6P via UN7PBY
BV2/VK2HSL via VK2HSL II3MNA via IQ3TS V85AVE via W3HNK
DA0MA via DM3VA KP2/K0BBC via K0BBC XT2IVU via JA3IVU
DX1HBC via DU1HBC PJ2/DL5AXX via DL5AXX YQ8ANT via YO8AZQ

(e) eQSL only (d) direct only (B) Bureau only (L) LoTW only

QSL C6AVA via N6AWD. Activity was from IOTA NA-048 and NA-054.

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 3D2NB, 3V8BB, A5A, FP/VE3DZ, TO2U, V31YK, VP9/WW3S, XU7ACQ, YI1RZ, Z21BB and ZL9HR

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 5T0SP, 7O6T, 8Q7AU, 9M6XRO, 9Q6CC, EG5PSP/mm, FM5AN, FR5HA, GD6IA, JT1CO, LU9EO/d, MO5BFL, SP6IXF, T30PY, T32WW, TL8ES, TZ6BB, VU7M, XU1A, XX9THX and ZL9HR

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: NONE REPORTED THIS WEEK!

S2, BANGLADESH. Vadym, UT6UD, will be active as S21XV from Dhaka between March 1-7th. Activity will be on all HF bands with a focus on NA. QSL

via UT6UD.

S7, SEYCHELLES (Update). Nobby, G0VJG, will be active S79VJG from the Seychelles (AF-024) between April 4-16th. Activity will be on the 40-10 meters using SSB only and HF verticals on the beach (QRO). QSL via G4DFI.

SN3, POLAND. Operators Bogdan/SP3RBR, Rod/SP8GQU and Jakub/SQ8J will be active as SN3R during the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 2-3rd) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via SP3KEY.

TX5, CLIPPERTON ISLAND (Update). The TX5K team arrived at Clipperton Island at 0430z, February 27th, in the dark (and even with a full moon they can only just make out the island), so offloading onto the island did not start until day break. The TX5K Blog page states, "No one got sick on the way down ☐ all are doing well and have enjoyed the wonderful food and hospitality of the Shogun Crew." Excerpts from the blog state that the team will need a whole day and part of the next day to offload and set up. This means do not expect the start of the DXpedition until late in the day (Pacific Time) on February 28th (it will most likely be March 1st in some time zones) ☐ which is as planned. The team sends their thanks to everyone for your support of this DXpedition and send their love to their families. Then on February 28th, it was posted, "after spending hours circling the island looking for a suitable and safe place to land" the team began landing at 1300z. Later in the day, they posted "they have all life support, 2 out of 3 tents up, 20 members of the team on the island and that they have generators and lights that they can use to do some work into the night. They will set up radios tomorrow ☐ so this is all great news. All are tired ☐ but in very good spirits and doing well. It is hot there."
By the time you read this, the TX5K activity will probably have started and it will be on 160-6 meters using using CW, SSB and RTTY. Frequencies were listed in last week's bulletin (OPDX.1101). Just a reminder that they will also have a quality QRO 6m station with a dedicated operator (Lance, W7GJ, - <http://www.bigskyspaces.com/w7gj/TX5K.htm>) ready to do EME and terrestrial QSOs. Needless to say ☐ this is huge news for the 6m community!
QSL via the OQRS by ClubLog (Highly Recommended). This is the preferred method to use for your QSL confirmation. After the DXpedition ends you can order either a direct or Bureau QSL card using the OQRS online QSL service provided by ClubLog. Using this convenient online method you can easily apply for their QSL card to be sent directly to your home or via the Bureau....without having to send your QSL card at all. Direct QSLs are via Bob Schenck N2OO and the SJDXA QSL team: QSL Manager for TX5K, PO Box 345, Tuckerton, NJ 08087-0345, USA. Also, remember to use the DXA Web site <http://www.dxa2.org/> which allows DXers to view the QSO log, and the status and activities of the DXpedition in near-real-time. The TX5K's Web page is at <http://tx5k.org>. For updates, use the BLOG at: http://www.ky6r.com

V3, BELIZE (Update). Operators Lee/N8LJ, Stan/AC8W and Jim/KB8TXZ will be active as V31LJ, V31AC and V31VJ, respectively from Belize between now and March 5th. The trio will be in the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 2-3rd) as a Multi-Single entry. The contest callsign was not provided. Activity outside of the contest will be on 160-6 meters using CW and RTTY. QSL V31LJ via K8ESQ. QSL V31AC and V31VJ via KB8TXZ.

VK9C, COCOS KEELING ISLANDS (Update/New Callsign). Operators Chris/GM3WOJ (ZK2V) and Keith/GM4YXI (ZK2X) will be active from Cocos Keeling Island (OC-003), using a new callsign that was issued, VK9CZ (not VK9C/GM2MP), between March 30th and April 13th. Activity will be on SSB and CW, with some RTTY. It is hoped to have a real-time logging system and daily LoTW uploads if possible. More details to follow. A new Web page will be available soon at: http://www.vk9cz.com

VP5, TURKS AND CAICOS ISLANDS (Update/Change). A team of operators (mentioned Geoff/W0CG, Scott/K0MD and possibly more) will be active as VP5H from Providenciales Island (NA-002, WLOTA 2003) during the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 2-3rd) as a Multi-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via his home callsign and LoTW.

WP3, PUERTO RICO. Jamie, WP3A, will be active during the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 2-3rd) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL via NP3O.

XE, MEXICO. Brian, N3IQ, will be active as XE3/N3IQ from Cancun during the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 2-3nd) as a Single-Op/All-Band/QRP entry. He will use a KX3 and little vertical. QSL via N3IQ. By the way, Brian is celebrating his wedding anniversary on this trip.

XU, CAMBODIA. Eddy, ON4AFU, will be active as XU7AFU between March 3-14th. Activity will be CW using 100 watts and wire antennas. QSL via home callsign, direct or by the Bureau. Visit his Web page at: http://www.on4afu.net

ZF, CAYMAN ISLANDS. Chris, HB9ELV, will be active as ZF2EL from the Grand Cayman Island during the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 2-3rd). QSL via LoTW.

The following stations are expected to be active in the
ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 2-3rd, 2013)

Thanks to Bill, NG3K, for providing OPDX readers with the following consolidated listing of the participants in the 2013 ARRL DX SSB Contest. For a more detailed listing (and up-to-date changes/corrections) in HTML format, please visit Bill's Web page at:
http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/adxs2013.html (By callsign)
http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/adxsd2013.html (By entity)

Contest DXCC Class QSL
Callsign Entity Route

3V8BB Tunisia SOAB HP LoTW; QSL via LX1NO
8P1V Barbados SOAB LP W1VE
8P5A Barbados SOAB HP LoTW; QSL via NN1N
C6ANM Bahamas M/M LoTW
C6AZZ Bahamas SOSB 20M KQ8Z
ED1R Spain M/S EC1KR
EF8U Canary Islands SOAB HP LoTW; QSL via (B)
FM5FJ Martinique SOSB 20M KU9C
FY5KE French Guiana SOSB 15M LoTW; QSL via REF (B) or FY5KE (d)
G9W England SOAB HP M0DXR
GJ2A Jersey SO LoTW
HC2/RC5A Ecuador SOAB LP RC5A; QSL via (B) or (d)
HK1NA Colombia M/M K6IPM
J88DR St Vincent SOAB LP G3TBK; QSL via RSGB (B) or (d)
KP2MM Virgin Islands SOAB LoTW; QSL via N2TTA
KP4EU Puerto Rico SOSB 20M KP4EU
LA7H Norway M/S LA7H (B)
LX7I Luxembourg SOAB LX2A
NH7A Hawaii SOAB HP LoTW; QSL via F5VHJ or REF (B)
NJ2BB USA M/2 KB2BRR; fm Battleship New Jersey
OH0X Aland Island SO OH2TA
P49Y Aruba SOAB HP LoTW; QSL via AE6Y
SN3R Poland M/S SP3KEY
T6MO Afghanistan SOU LP K9GY
TI8M Costa Rica M/? TI2KAC
TO1A French Guiana SOSB 10M LoTW
TO22C Guadeloupe M/? F6HMQ
V26M Antigua & Barbuda SOAB W3HNK
V31?? Belize M/S V31LJ (K8ESQ), V31AC & V31VJ (KB8TXZ)
V47JA St Kitts & Nevis SOAB LoTW; QSL via W5JON
VP2V/KE2VB Br. Virgin Island SOAB LP NR6M
VP5H Turks & Caicos M/S W0GJ
VP9I Bermuda M/S WW3S
WP3A Puerto Rico SOAB LP NP3O
XE3/N3IQ Mexico SOAB QRP N3IQ
YN5Z Nicaragua SOAB LoTW; QSL via K7ZO
ZL3IO New Zealand SOAB HP ZL3IO

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mail by sending mail to me via " kb8nw@... ", please send
mail to me via " kb8nw@... "...... TNX de Tedd KB8NW
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Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@...?subject=unsubscribe>
OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):
http://www.papays.com/opdx.html
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http://www.nodxa.org
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20711. TX5K

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-01 21:31:17 UTC
From: KQ8M
Topic: 20711 Message: 20711

Looks like TX5K is up and running. Good luck to those that need them. I hope you get your needed bands/modes.

I don't so won't be calling other than to try a QRP QSO maybe in the last days. Won't see me on top of the hog list.

73,

Tim Herrick, KQ8M

Charter Member North Coast Contesters

kq8m@...

AR-Cluster V6 kq8m.no-ip.org

User Ports: 23, 7373 with local skimmer, 7374 without local skimmer

Server Ports: V6 3607, V4 Active 3605, V4 Passive 3606

20712. Re: [DX-IS] TX5K

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-01 21:51:17 UTC
From: Alfred Watson
Topic: 20711 Message: 20712

I just moved from NC to AL, no "real" antenna and tower yet. I only have a 17m dipole. Putting it up now but cold and snow is slowing me down.
I need the Clipperton on the warcs and on cw. Hope I can get maybe a q on 17cw at least.

Al
W4ABW
Huntsville

-----Original Message-----
From: KQ8M <kq8m@kq8m.com>
To: DX-IS <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Fri, Mar 1, 2013 10:31 am
Subject: [DX-IS] TX5K

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20713. EP3SMH QSL card

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-01 22:06:06 UTC
From: Richard Williams
Topic: 20713 Message: 20713

For those of you looking for a QSL card from Mohsen (EP3SMH), I just received mine today for a QSO on 12M in 2002. I had not had any luck in the past, but he recently updated his QSL information on QRZ.com; and the "secret" is to send your card via registered mail.
FYI, I mailed the card on 24 Jan 13; turn around time was 5 weeks.

Dick K8ZTT

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20714. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-02 14:01:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 20714

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:Issued: 2013 Mar 02 1121 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30302
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 02 Mar 2013, 1115UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 02 Mar 2013 until 04 Mar 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Quiet conditions (<50% probability of C-class flares)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 02 Mar 2013 10CM FLUX: 117 / AP: 011
PREDICTIONS FOR 03 Mar 2013 10CM FLUX: 120 / AP: 005
PREDICTIONS FOR 04 Mar 2013 10CM FLUX: 122 / AP: 004
COMMENT: We are now in the high speed solar wind stream of the coronal
hole. The density and the Bz component of the IMF have reduced
significantly and hence the geomagnetic storm is finished. We expected
quiet geomagnetic conditions in the following days. Solar flaring is
expected at the C-class level.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 056, BASED ON 02 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 1 Mar 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 113
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 048
AK WINGST : 033
ESTIMATED AP : 038
ESTIMATED ISN : 064, BASED ON 08 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
END
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20715. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-03 14:01:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 20715

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:Issued: 2013 Mar 03 0805 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30303
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 03 Mar 2013, 0800UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 03 Mar 2013 until 05 Mar 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >= 50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 03 Mar 2013 10CM FLUX: 115 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 04 Mar 2013 10CM FLUX: 116 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 05 Mar 2013 10CM FLUX: 117 / AP: 007
COMMENT: Quiet geomagnetic conditions are expected. C-class flaring is
expected from NOAA 1683, now in beta-gamma configuration and from the
new active region at the NE limb.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : ///

SOLAR INDICES FOR 2 Mar 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 111
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : ///
AK WINGST : 018
ESTIMATED AP : 014
ESTIMATED ISN : 069, BASED ON 12 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
END
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20716. TX5K

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-03 14:02:38 UTC
From: Phil Snyder
Topic: 20711 Message: 20716

First good work Lance, VK6DU, I saw your 30 meter RTTY QSO at 1355UTC.
Now my question.

This is simply a inquiry not a complaint. Why is it that just about every time I listen to the TX5K guys on 30 RTTY they are working JA's? Last evening they were working many and again this morning they are working NA but with many JA's in there as well.

I did nab them on 160 last night with 100 watts and just an 80/40 inverted V so no complaints here.

Just trying to stir up some discussion.

Phil
N9LAH

20717. Re: [DX-IS] TX5K

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-03 15:09:56 UTC
From: John G.
Topic: 20711 Message: 20717

I did get lucky at work them on 30m RTTY last night at 0519Z, but yes, they did seem to be working mainly JAs at that time. For a while before that they were calling for "outside NA only" for quite a while. The 30m CW station was insanely loud last night. One of the loudest DXpeditions I have ever heard! They were calling for EU only for a while as well. If their signal stays like this they should be real easy to work in the US by the end of their DXpedition. I hope so, because the only bands I need Clipperton on are 160 and 6. Not holding out much hope for 6m, and my antenna is a joke on 160. They were a new one on RTTY for me, though.

Hope they take some of the pressure off of the XT2TT pileups, as I still need them on 40, 80 and 12.

John AF5CC
----- Original Message -----
From: Phil Snyder
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Sunday, March 03, 2013 2:02 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] TX5K

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20718. OK-I give up!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-04 01:17:23 UTC
From: dale cole
Topic: 20718 Message: 20718

I worked a TO22 (23?) C, that I think was Martinique, but have info that says Guadeloupe. Also a TO5C that I don't have a clue to. Corsica?

All from this weekend.

Anybody know if I have a bunch of busted calls? Maybe some actual entities?

I do know I'm in their log.....sure like to validate my log.

Anybody help?

TIA
K8TS

20719. Re: [DX-IS] OK-I give up!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-04 01:35:56 UTC
From: Derek Wills
Topic: 20718 Message: 20719

TO22C is FG for sure - see the usual places...

Derek
aa5bt

20720. Re: [DX-IS] OK-I give up!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-04 01:44:04 UTC
From: Richard Williams
Topic: 20718 Message: 20720

Dale,

Not sure what experience you have as a "DXer"; but the best way you can try and figure out what callsign you worked is by using a combination of "sh/dx callsign" on the DX Cluster (sh/dx TO22C, for instance), and checking the call on QRZ.com.

As for your current "dilima"; I just did a sh/dx for TO22C, and noted there were several posts for him on a couple of bands on 3 Mar. Additionally, I looked up TO22C on QRZ.com and it is F6GWV and F6HMQ active on Guadeloupe from 17 Feb thru 3 Mar.

As for TO5C, there have been no posts for that call sign on the cluster, nor is it a "valid" callsign according to qrz.com.

So, my bet is you worked TO22C.

Dick K8ZTT

PS I have used the above method to "sort out" callsigns, and though not %100, it beats the odds in Vegas.

From: dale cole <dchamguy@att.net>
To: dx-is@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Sunday, March 3, 2013 6:17 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] OK-I give up!

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K8TS

20721. Re: [DX-IS] OK-I give up!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-04 01:49:33 UTC
From: Richard Solomon
Topic: 20718 Message: 20721

Look up the call in QRZ.com

73, Dick, W1KSZ

On Sun, Mar 3, 2013 at 6:17 PM, dale cole <dchamguy@...> wrote:

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20722. Re: [DX-IS] OK-I give up!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-04 02:09:53 UTC
From: dale cole
Topic: 20718 Message: 20722

Thanks Guys;
I had already checked qrz but no info on either. Checking DX Summit, I got Guadeloupe, but the op when I queried said Martinue. No results on qrz though. I guess I may have busted the TO5. So what's a few penalty q's. :(I did check my LoTW for past years and got TO5A for several contests and years. Maybe I will check Buck. Also checked DXNL and OPDX, WPX in couple of weeks to redeem myself hi hi
Dale K8TS

From: Richard Solomon <dickw1ksz@...>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Sun, March 3, 2013 8:49:39 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] OK-I give up!

Look up the call in QRZ.com

73, Dick, W1KSZ

On Sun, Mar 3, 2013 at 6:17 PM, dale cole <dchamguy@...> wrote:

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>Guadeloupe. Also a TO5C that I don't have a clue to. Corsica?
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20723. RE: [DX-IS] OK-I give up!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-04 02:16:20 UTC
From: Ron Notarius W3WN
Topic: 20718 Message: 20723

TO22C was on Guadeloupe. A few of the cluster posts even said FG / TO22C

TO1A was on Martinique, IIRC.

I remember checking both of those on QRZ the first time I worked them, since my copy of CT couldn't ID the entity (?????? Instead of ----*-), all was revealed. A quick edit of CTY.DAT fixed the issue.

73, ron w3wn

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of dale cole
Sent: Sunday, March 03, 2013 8:17 PM
To: dx-is@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] OK-I give up!

I worked a TO22 (23?) C, that I think was Martinique, but have info that says Guadeloupe. Also a TO5C that I don't have a clue to. Corsica?

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20724. Re: [DX-IS] OK-I give up!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-04 02:22:02 UTC
From: Pete Smith N4ZR
Topic: 20718 Message: 20724

Do you have a current CTY.DAT file? The latest one says TO22C is
Guadeloupe but has no info on TO5C - I would guess Martinique but no
doubt someone will speak up soon.

73, Pete N4ZR
Check out the Reverse Beacon Network at
http://reversebeacon.net,
blog at reversebeacon.blogspot.com.
For spots, please go to your favorite
ARC V6 or VE7CC DX cluster node.

On 3/3/2013 8:17 PM, dale cole wrote:
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20725. Re: [DX-IS] OK-I give up!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-04 02:38:32 UTC
From: iain macdonnell - N6ML
Topic: 20718 Message: 20725

TO1A was FY, not FM.

http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/adxs2013.html

There is no TO5C on at the moment...

73,

~iain / N6ML

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20726. Re: [DX-IS] OK-I give up!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-04 02:59:19 UTC
From: GARY HUBER
Topic: 20718 Message: 20726

I asked TO22C for location during my first contest exchange with them (wanted to know the multiplier) and the operator said Guadeloupe. I heard them later say portable Guadeloupe when IDing.

73 ES DX,
Gary -- AB9M

From: Richard Solomon
Sent: Sunday, March 03, 2013 7:49 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] OK-I give up!

Look up the call in QRZ.com

73, Dick, W1KSZ

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K8TS

20727. RE: [DX-IS] OK-I give up!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-04 04:05:48 UTC
From: Donald L. De Feyter
Topic: 20718 Message: 20727

I asked the operator and he told me Guadelope.

Don/KC8CY

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of dale cole
Sent: Sunday, March 03, 2013 8:17 PM
To: dx-is@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] OK-I give up!

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K8TS

20728. Re: [DX-IS] OK-I give up!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-04 04:22:30 UTC
From: Richard Solomon
Topic: 20718 Message: 20728

TO22C is FG according to the Daily Dx.

73, Dick, W1KSZ

On Sun, Mar 3, 2013 at 9:05 PM, Donald L. De Feyter <dkc8cy@...>wrote:

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20729. RE: [DX-IS] OK-I give up!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-04 05:08:47 UTC
From: Ron Notarius W3WN
Topic: 20718 Message: 20729

Hey gang,

Let's not lose site of the important thing.

Did you work them (TO1A and/or TO22C) or not, during the contest?

If you did, and submitted your log to the ARRL (or will by deadline), the contest will give you appropriate credit.

And the QSL route, for those who need it, will be sent out by The Usual Suspects soon enough.

Don't sweat the small stuff.

73, ron w3wn

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of dale cole
Sent: Sunday, March 03, 2013 8:17 PM
To: dx-is@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] OK-I give up!

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20730. RE: [DX-IS] TX5K

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-04 07:40:14 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 20711 Message: 20730

Hi Phil,

Good job on your TX5K contacts.

I have managed to get them on 15/17/20 as well but I think the demand at the time of day was low when I got through (USA midnight plus).
I did have a go this morning on 17CW but there was way higher demand and I didn't get through.

So really just missing 12 and 10m now. With current SFI numbers though, I doubt that 10m will open that way, but one never knows... (I did miss XT, 5X and 9U recently on 10m).
I did notice S21XV pounding in on 10m last night (though that one is a lot closer), I hope to pick that one up for a new one on 10m soon.

I used to have an 80m inverted V but didn't have a hope of tuning it on 160m, how did you manage to do that?

73, Lance - VK6DU

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Phil Snyder
Sent: Sunday, 3 March 2013 10:03 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] TX5K

First good work Lance, VK6DU, I saw your 30 meter RTTY QSO at 1355UTC.
Now my question.

This is simply a inquiry not a complaint. Why is it that just about every time I listen to the TX5K guys on 30 RTTY they are working JA's?
Last evening they were working many and again this morning they are working NA but with many JA's in there as well.

I did nab them on 160 last night with 100 watts and just an 80/40 inverted V so no complaints here.

Just trying to stir up some discussion.

Phil
N9LAH

Yahoo! Groups Links

20731. Re: [DX-IS] TX5K

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-04 11:37:09 UTC
From: Phil Snyder
Topic: 20711 Message: 20731

I was able to hear the S21 on 17 CW yesterday about 1330 UTC but was unable to work it. My first ever S21 even heard.

My antenna is actually two full size wire dipoles on the same feed. They are separated about 4-6 inches by spreaders made out of CPVC water pipe. I put the wires on each end of the pipe and run a black zip tie around both wires and through the inside of the pipe. The apex is at 55 feet on my tower. I actually just use the tuner in the FT1000 Mark V Field. There are some spots in the band where it tunes and some where it doesn't. I have 41 countries worked on 160 and plan on a slightly modified inverted "L" with a remote tuner at the base and we'll see what happens then.

Phil
N9LAH

On 3/4/2013 1:40 AM, Lance Martin wrote:
> Hi Phil,
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> Good job on your TX5K contacts.
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> I have managed to get them on 15/17/20 as well but I think the demand at the time of day was low when I got through (USA midnight plus).
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> I used to have an 80m inverted V but didn't have a hope of tuning it on 160m, how did you manage to do that?
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> 73, Lance - VK6DU
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> -----Original Message-----
> From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Phil Snyder
> Sent: Sunday, 3 March 2013 10:03 PM
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> Subject: [DX-IS] TX5K
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> No virus found in this message.
> Checked by AVG - www.avg.com
> Version: 2013.0.2899 / Virus Database: 2641/6144 - Release Date: 03/03/13
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20732. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-04 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 20732

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:Issued: 2013 Mar 04 1306 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30304
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 04 Mar 2013, 1257UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 04 Mar 2013 until 06 Mar 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Quiet conditions (<50% probability of C-class flares)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 04 Mar 2013 10CM FLUX: 112 / AP: 006
PREDICTIONS FOR 05 Mar 2013 10CM FLUX: 110 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 06 Mar 2013 10CM FLUX: 109 / AP: 010
COMMENT: Solar activity has been very low in past 24h, no C-class
flares. Geomagnetic conditions have been quiet and are expected to
remain so, until the fast solar wind from a coronal hole arrives to the
Earth in about 48h.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 059, BASED ON 14 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 3 Mar 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 112
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 016
AK WINGST : 011
ESTIMATED AP : 011
ESTIMATED ISN : 063, BASED ON 22 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
END
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20733. TX5K

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-04 18:24:06 UTC
From: KQ8M
Topic: 20711 Message: 20733

Well, I gave it a try and the pile ups must be down. Just worked The TX5 with 5w on 12 meters.

73,

Tim Herrick, KQ8M

Charter Member North Coast Contesters

kq8m@...

AR-Cluster V6 kq8m.no-ip.org

User Ports: 23, 7373 with local skimmer, 7374 without local skimmer

Server Ports: V6 3607, V4 Active 3605, V4 Passive 3606

20734. RE: [DX-IS] TX5K

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-04 20:54:43 UTC
From: VE1AL
Topic: 20711 Message: 20734

I've put in almost 6 hours today (several yesterday) and cannot get through on either 12 or 17. Maybe when these guys get EU out of the way there will be a chance. This shouldn't be as hard as it is, for cryin' out loud!

73

Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of KQ8M
Sent: Monday, March 04, 2013 2:24 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] TX5K

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20735. Re: [DX-IS] TX5K

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-04 21:52:03 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 20711 Message: 20735

On 3/4/2013 4:54 PM, VE1AL wrote:
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> through on either 12 or 17. Maybe when these guys get EU out of the way
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The pileups are fierce. I got them on 160M last night with one call . . . was convinced it was a pirate because he was so loud, but it showed in the log. After he worked me, he went to EU EU EU like they were doing on 20 RTTY, 30 both modes, 40 both modes and 80 all evening! EU better be happy with this operation. :-)

To be fair, it makes sense to give EU a couple of days priority because it is long haul for them. Pretty easy for NA.

73, Paul VE1DX

20736. Re: [DX-IS] TX5K

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-04 21:59:38 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 20711 Message: 20736

I worked them on the first call on 80 CW last night. They said "UP 2", I dialed in "UP 2" for transmit and called. They came right back to me. I fell out of my chair. I was expecting a grueling couple hours of calling.

This was a new band for me. I have worked a couple previous Clipperton operations but not on 80m. I was watching the log on their DXA website and the QSO showed up in about a minute.

This is cool technology. I am hoping it will curtail pirate operations. Hopefully you'd know if you worked a pirate or the real thing within a minute or so.

73, Zack W9SZ

On Mon, Mar 4, 2013 at 3:52 PM, Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...> wrote:

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> 73, Paul VE1DX
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20737. Re: [DX-IS] TX5K

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-04 22:05:39 UTC
From: Richard Solomon
Topic: 20711 Message: 20737

My two Q's today appeared within seconds after working them. Neat !!
But, I do miss the "Leader Board" on Club Log.

73, Dick, W1KSZ

On Mon, Mar 4, 2013 at 2:59 PM, Zack Widup <w9sz.zack@...> wrote:

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> I worked them on the first call on 80 CW last night. They said "UP 2", I
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20738. Re: [DX-IS] TX5K

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-04 22:12:43 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 20711 Message: 20738

On 3/4/2013 5:59 PM, Zack Widup wrote:
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> I worked them on the first call on 80 CW last night. They said "UP 2", I
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There was some whining at first when it wasn't updating, but it's slick to listen to the pileup and see the calls they work pop up on the map! They must look up the grids or something because mine cake up in NS. Real time logs were always my dream, and I finally get to see it. As you say, stops pirates in their tracks, and also stops insurance contacts.

XT2TT are updating immediately as well, but you have to go put your call in to see. I think T32C did this too. TX5T is fully automatic. Technology is good! In a few years I think all operations will do this, although it might be hard from places like Bouvet. Do any of you tech wizards know it the entire earth now has Internet access by satellite? If so, then even OPs from a place like Bouvet could do it.

73, Paul VE1DX

20739. RE: [DX-IS] TX5K

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-04 22:31:12 UTC
From: VE1AL
Topic: 20711 Message: 20739

Hey, Paul, if it is so easy, how come I'm not in their log yet? 2230 and
those buggers are still calling for EU on 17. Madness.

73

Al, VE1AL

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of
Paul M Dunphy
Sent: Monday, March 04, 2013 5:52 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] TX5K

On 3/4/2013 4:54 PM, VE1AL wrote:
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20740. Re: [DX-IS] TX5K

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-04 22:48:25 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 20711 Message: 20740

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20741. RE: [DX-IS] TX5K

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-04 23:00:07 UTC
From: VE1AL
Topic: 20711 Message: 20741

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Date: 2013-03-04 23:05:54 UTC
From: Axel Schernikau, DL6KVA
Topic: 20711 Message: 20742

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20744. Re: [DX-IS] TX5K

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-04 23:20:12 UTC
From: Alfred Watson
Topic: 20711 Message: 20744

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Al
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20745. RE: [DX-IS] TX5K

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-04 23:24:21 UTC
From: VE1AL
Topic: 20711 Message: 20745

Yes, indeedy, Al! Nice one. Just look at the map. It is a cinch for you, more than half the way closer than me!!!

But I'll get through! Eventually. :-))

73

Al, VE1AL

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20746. Re: [DX-IS] TX5K

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-05 00:08:17 UTC
From: John G.
Topic: 20711 Message: 20746

Maybe it won't be that far off that they will do immediate uploads to LOTW.
That should make some people happy.

John AF5CC

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From: "Paul M Dunphy" <list_dx@...>
To: <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Monday, March 04, 2013 10:12 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] TX5K

> On 3/4/2013 5:59 PM, Zack Widup wrote:
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>> I worked them on the first call on 80 CW last night. They said "UP 2", I
>> dialed in "UP 2" for transmit and called. They came right back to me. I
>> fell out of my chair. I was expecting a grueling couple hours of calling.
>>
>> This was a new band for me. I have worked a couple previous Clipperton
>> operations but not on 80m. I was watching the log on their DXA website
>> and the QSO showed up in about a minute.
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>> This is cool technology. I am hoping it will curtail pirate operations.
>> Hopefully you'd know if you worked a pirate or the real thing within a
>> minute or so.
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>> 73, Zack W9SZ
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> There was some whining at first when it wasn't updating, but it's
> slick to listen to the pileup and see the calls they work pop up on the
> map! They must look up the grids or something because mine cake up in
> NS. Real time logs were always my dream, and I finally get to see it.
> As you say, stops pirates in their tracks, and also stops insurance
> contacts.
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> XT2TT are updating immediately as well, but you have to go put your
> call in to see. I think T32C did this too. TX5T is fully automatic.
> Technology is good! In a few years I think all operations will do this,
> although it might be hard from places like Bouvet. Do any of you tech
> wizards know it the entire earth now has Internet access by satellite?
> If so, then even OPs from a place like Bouvet could do it.
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20747. Re: [DX-IS] TX5K

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-05 00:10:59 UTC
From: Alfred Watson
Topic: 20711 Message: 20747

Its a matter of time, pretty much. Yep, its a lot more close in North Alabama.

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20748. RE: [DX-IS] TX5K

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-05 00:30:30 UTC
From: Ron Notarius W3WN
Topic: 20711 Message: 20748

Got them on 80 CW Saturday night / Sunday morning, while taking a short break from the SSB contest (I'd pretty much worked everyone I heard on 75 at that point)

It was around 0700 Z, they didn't appear to have too much of a pile-up. Once I properly zero-beat their listening frequency, I think it was 2 calls.

Of course, my friend Bill W3WH had to do me one better. he got them on 160, one call. Nice thing about being retired. if he stays up that late on a weeknight, or gets up real early, he doesn't have to worry about going in to work the next day. plenty of time though.

73, ron w3wn

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Date: 2013-03-05 00:52:43 UTC
From: Richard Solomon
Topic: 20711 Message: 20749

In the world of DX'ing, everything balances out to "net-sum-zero".
What is easy for me, is difficult for you, and the reverse is just as
true.

Let Kosovo get added to the DXCC list and you guys on the East Coast
will be crowing about how easy it is, while us folks out West will be
in the same position you folks are in with Clipperton.

73, Dick, W1KSZ

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-05 01:13:19 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 20711 Message: 20750

Hang in there Al,

As we speak the piles are going down (somewhat...). Funny you talk about EU, last night I thought I would get a QSO on 30CW but they were NA only.
On 17m was EU only. Anyway they have to do what they gotta do.. I see their end date is the 10th March which will give me time this weekend in the day here to try and get them on 12/10m.

I managed to finally get the XT guys this morning on 15m CW LP (I didn't need them there, but haven't been able to make a QSO anywhere so I took the opportunity, very light copy so piles are thinning).

5V7JD has been a really tough one, haven't heard Jackie yet, even though he said he may be able to squeeze a CW QSO in, I am now less hopeful. He said he has only 2 VKs in the log.

Anyway keep at 'em,

73, Lance - VK6DU

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20751. Re: [DX-IS] TX5K

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-05 03:17:29 UTC
From: John G.
Topic: 20711 Message: 20751

For once, Oklahoma is actually a pretty decent place to be chasing a DXpedition from. Don't expect that to happen very often. Caught them on 12m CW with only needing 2 or 3 calls. That was around 2342Z. Now to get them on 160m and XT2TT on RTTY and 40m before they go QRT. Worked them on 15m right after the Clipperton. That was pretty late for them on 15.

John AF5CC

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From: Richard Solomon
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Date: 2013-03-05 03:35:53 UTC
From: VE1AL
Topic: 20711 Message: 20752

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20753. Re: TX5K

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-05 12:28:16 UTC
From: NA8M
Topic: 20711 Message: 20753

I loved the admonition from the DX, "This isn't CB. Take that behavior to twenty-seven mHz!" Loved it!

And it is too cool to see my call-sign on their web site. I'm famous!

de Bill, NA8M

20754. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-05 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 20754

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:Issued: 2013 Mar 05 1347 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
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SIDC URSIGRAM 30305
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 05 Mar 2013, 1322UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 05 Mar 2013 until 07 Mar 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >= 50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Active conditions expected (A>=20 or K=4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Warning condition
PREDICTIONS FOR 05 Mar 2013 10CM FLUX: 114 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 06 Mar 2013 10CM FLUX: 115 / AP: 011
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COMMENT: NOAA AR 1686 (S12W52) produced an isolated M1.2 flare peaking
at 07:54 UT, C-class level activity can be expected for the coming
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be Earth directed, even though there is no LASCO data yet to confirm
(data gap). Geomagnetic conditions have been quiet and are expected to
remain so until the arrival of a fast speed stream in 24h that may lead
to active levels.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 059, BASED ON 16 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 4 Mar 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 088
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 114
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 009
AK WINGST : 005
ESTIMATED AP : 004
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NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
05 0747 0754 0759 M1.2 1686
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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-05 16:22:15 UTC
From: Bob
Topic: 20711 Message: 20755

Very Loud!!!

I showed up in Maine last night. Dug myself out to get into the garage. An then worked them on 20 SSB, 40 SSB & 30 RTTY this morning. All with just a few calls.

Using a G5RV (thats right tuned on 30?) and 100 watts.

They are just in the right spot for me.

Bob KB1JZU/@W1SLF

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "KQ8M" <kq8m@...> wrote:
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> Well, I gave it a try and the pile ups must be down. Just worked The TX5 with 5w on 12 meters.
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> 73,
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> Tim Herrick, KQ8M
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> Charter Member North Coast Contesters
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> kq8m@...
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> AR-Cluster V6 kq8m.no-ip.org
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20756. Re: [DX-IS] TX5K

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Date: 2013-03-05 18:18:30 UTC
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Topic: 20711 Message: 20756

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20760. Re: RE: [DX-IS] TX5K

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-05 19:13:25 UTC
From: John G.
Topic: 20711 Message: 20760

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20761. TX5K 40 Meter SSB

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-05 19:14:32 UTC
From: GARY HUBER
Topic: 20761 Message: 20761

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Maybe the answer is NA on 40 between 0800 and 1400 UTC.

73 ES DX,
Gary -- AB9M

20762. RE: RE: [DX-IS] TX5K

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-05 19:43:57 UTC
From: VE1AL
Topic: 20711 Message: 20762

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20763. Re: RE: [DX-IS] TX5K

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-05 19:53:19 UTC
From: John
Topic: 20711 Message: 20763

So you arent on 160, or you can't hear them on 160? They were booming in here on 160 last night as well but only calling for EU. Need to get that as my suffix so I can work those DXpeditions.

John AF5CC

On Tue, Mar 5, 2013 at 1:43 PM, VE1AL <ve1al@...> wrote:

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> Good to know, John. Thanks.
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> No 160 here but they were good and strong around 0400 today on 80.
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> Of *John G.
> *Sent:* Tuesday, March 05, 2013 3:13 PM
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> *To:* DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> *Subject:* Re: RE: [DX-IS] TX5K
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> *To:* DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
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Date: 2013-03-05 20:00:11 UTC
From: KQ8M
Topic: 20711 Message: 20764

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AR-Cluster V6 kq8m.no-ip.org

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[mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>] On

>> > Behalf Of Paul M Dunphy

>> > Sent: Monday, March 04, 2013 6:48 PM

>> > To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>

>> > Subject: Re: [DX-IS] TX5K

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20766. RE: RE: [DX-IS] TX5K

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-05 20:11:51 UTC
From: VE1AL
Topic: 20711 Message: 20766

No, I'm no longer on 160 from this location. I had a dipole that went across two neighbour's properties on both sides. But one of them moved and the new owner would not allow me to attach the end of one leg on his property any more. I live on a tiny city lot (90 x 35') and as it is my 80M inverted vee crosses to the outside yards of neighbours on both sides.

Maybe one day I'll be able to do an inverted L but the directional options are not great!

73

Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of John
Sent: Tuesday, March 05, 2013 3:53 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: RE: [DX-IS] TX5K

So you arent on 160, or you can't hear them on 160? They were booming in here on 160 last night as well but only calling for EU. Need to get that as my suffix so I can work those DXpeditions.

John AF5CC

On Tue, Mar 5, 2013 at 1:43 PM, VE1AL <ve1al@...> wrote:

Good to know, John. Thanks.

No 160 here but they were good and strong around 0400 today on 80.

73

Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of John G.
Sent: Tuesday, March 05, 2013 3:13 PM

To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: RE: [DX-IS] TX5K

Booming in here on 30m this morning about 45 minutes or so after my sunrise. Took 2 or 3 calls.

Now to get them on 160m.

John AF5CC

----- Original Message -----
From: VE1AL <mailto:ve1al@...>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tuesday, March 05, 2013 7:10 PM
Subject: RE: RE: [DX-IS] TX5K

Thanks, Ron! Went to 17 and he was barely strong enough to call. He was S5 when I called 20 min later and got him on the 5th call (was S7 on 12M). So that's two bands down, need 30 and 80 still and will work on those when the sun goes down. Not bothering on SSB unless they're 20 over 9 and that's not likely to happen!!

Am delighted to see I'm in the log. :-)

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I'd been calling for just over an hour. Also heard them around 0400 today

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I'll be there and hope I can hear them again. Now on to 17 & 30. Just

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Al, VE1AL

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[mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>] On Behalf Of

iain macdonnell - N6ML

Sent: Tuesday, March 05, 2013 2:19 PM

To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>

Subject: Re: [DX-IS] TX5K

I do believe I just heard TX5K work VE1AL on 12m CW :)

73,

~iain / N6ML

On Mon, Mar 4, 2013 at 7:35 PM, VE1AL ve1al@...
<mailto:ve1al%40eastlink.ca> > wrote:

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[mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>] On Behalf

>> Of Axel Schernikau, DL6KVA

>> Sent: Monday, March 04, 2013 7:06 PM

>> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>

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>> Axel, DL6KVA

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20767. Re: RE: [DX-IS] TX5K

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-05 20:54:52 UTC
From: John
Topic: 20711 Message: 20767

Trying to get the XT on 40m. Looks like tonight will be my last chance.
No luck on 12m either. Didn't even see them spotted there today. Heard
them pop out of the noise yesterday on 12, for a few moments.

John AF5CC

On Tue, Mar 5, 2013 at 2:00 PM, KQ8M <kq8m@...> wrote:

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> Congrats Al. Glad you got em. I am trying to get the XT QRP also but they
> have only been on 10 phone and I can't hear them there. Oh well.****
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> Tim Herrick, KQ8M****
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> Charter Member North Coast Contesters****
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> AR-Cluster V6 kq8m.no-ip.org****
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20768. Re: RE: [DX-IS] TX5K

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-05 20:57:35 UTC
From: John
Topic: 20711 Message: 20768

I live on a lot about as small, but am able to load up my G5RV type dipole on 160m. I am sure the efficiency is horrible, but have been able to work 15 or so countries on top band. Worked Cuba a few weeks ago for a new band country. I would like to put up a vertical or inverted L someday also, but do not relish the idea of laying down radials at all.

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20769. XT2TT

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-05 21:05:56 UTC
From: KQ8M
Topic: 20769 Message: 20769

They showed on 12 CW and CQing and got em QRP. Just started this QRP thing a few months ago and that was number 80. lol

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From: Buzz Jehle
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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-05 21:15:30 UTC
From: VE1AL
Topic: 20711 Message: 20771

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20772. Report SIDC Ursigram

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Date: 2013-03-06 14:01:02 UTC
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Topic: 19749 Message: 20772

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have been quiet, a fast solar wind stream is expected within 24h with
possible isolated active periods.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 049, BASED ON 10 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 5 Mar 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 118
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 010
AK WINGST : 006
ESTIMATED AP : 003
ESTIMATED ISN : 061, BASED ON 21 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
END
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20773. TX5K EU

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-06 19:33:48 UTC
From: VE1AL
Topic: 20773 Message: 20773

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Enough already!!!!!

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Al, VE1AL

20774. Re: [DX-IS] TX5K EU

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-06 20:09:41 UTC
From: GARY HUBER
Topic: 20773 Message: 20774

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From: VE1AL
Sent: Wednesday, March 06, 2013 1:33 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] TX5K EU

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20775. Re: Re: [DX-IS] TX5K EU

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-06 20:39:59 UTC
From: Ron Notarius W3WN
Topic: 20773 Message: 20775

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-06 20:43:04 UTC
From: Derek Wills
Topic: 20773 Message: 20776

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Most sane people would, too.

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aa5bt

20777. Re: [DX-IS] TX5K EU

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-06 21:12:29 UTC
From: John
Topic: 20773 Message: 20777

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20778. RE: [DX-IS] TX5K EU

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-06 23:44:24 UTC
From: Ron Notarius W3WN
Topic: 20773 Message: 20778

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of John
Sent: Wednesday, March 06, 2013 4:12 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] TX5K EU

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20779. Fw: [DX-IS] TX5K EU

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-06 23:51:48 UTC
From: dale cole
Topic: 20773 Message: 20779

worked 14033 @2345 good sig to MI, taking NA mostly
Dale K8TS

----- Forwarded Message ----
From: Ron Notarius W3WN <wn3vaw@...>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wed, March 6, 2013 6:44:27 PM
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] TX5K EU

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20780. Re: [DX-IS] TX5K EU

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-07 00:32:44 UTC
From: Brian Alsop
Topic: 20773 Message: 20780

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20781. Re: [DX-IS] TX5K EU

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-07 02:16:47 UTC
From: John G.
Topic: 20773 Message: 20781

Hi Brian,

Can you be in Somalia? I still need them for DXCC.

John AF5CC

----- Original Message -----
From: Brian Alsop
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thursday, March 07, 2013 12:32 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] TX5K EU

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20782. TX5K 40 CW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-07 13:01:23 UTC
From: Tom Martin
Topic: 20782 Message: 20782

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20783. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-07 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 20783

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:Issued: 2013 Mar 07 1321 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
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SIDC URSIGRAM 30307
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 07 Mar 2013, 1248UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 07 Mar 2013 until 09 Mar 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >= 50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Warning condition
PREDICTIONS FOR 07 Mar 2013 10CM FLUX: 114 / AP: 006
PREDICTIONS FOR 08 Mar 2013 10CM FLUX: 116 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 09 Mar 2013 10CM FLUX: 119 / AP: 007
COMMENT: Solar activity has been low, no C-class flares in past 24h.
Several ARs (especially NOAA ARs 1686 and 1689) have potential for
C-class flaring, and 1686 has still low chances of producing M-class
flares as it rotates over the west limb. A backsided halo CME was seen
leaving the Sun on March 6 at 09:24 UT, and two slow west limb CMEs were
also detected. None of these CMEs are expected to affect the Earth.
Geomagnetic conditions have been quiet, a fast solar wind stream from a
coronal hole may still arrive today, causing unsettled to active
conditions.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 041, BASED ON 04 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 6 Mar 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 114
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 005
AK WINGST : 003
ESTIMATED AP : 003
ESTIMATED ISN : 051, BASED ON 22 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
END
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20784. RE: [DX-IS] TX5K 40 CW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-07 14:12:26 UTC
From: VE1AL
Topic: 20782 Message: 20784

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Date: 2013-03-07 14:33:11 UTC
From: GARY HUBER
Topic: 20782 Message: 20785

Congratulations on the 40 CW contact Al. Like W8JWN, I've had no joy with TX5K on 40 CW, although I'm in the log for 160, 80, 20, 15, and 10 CW. I listened for them last night from 0100 to 0300 UTC until they came up at 0300 and then tried moving around in the pile close to the last station worked or on the edges until nearly 0600. I came back to the shack at 1130 UTC and found them at 7021 working up five and tried calling until they went QRT for ten minutes at 1155. listened until 1300 but they never came back. I am running a FLEX-1500 as a panadapter / sub-rx on my OMNI-VII which running at 11W drives the TITAN-425 to 500W which is the maximum the HV-2 is rated at with the 160M mod. I've worked a lot of DX with this configuration so it isn't the equipment. I just have to transmit where the DX is listening in the pile.

Its better to be lucky than good, I guess.

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-07 15:06:44 UTC
From: John G.
Topic: 20782 Message: 20786

I am glad I already have Clipperton confirmed on 40 and 15. The pileups there sound pretty bad. Working them on the other bands has been easy from Oklahoma, although i really havent listened on 80 yet. Have them confirmed on that band as well. Only new band/mode countries have been 160m and RTTY. The rest of them are just for the thrill of the chase.

I know this is a test run for Heard Island next year. Hope they are as loud from Heard as they are now, but I seriously doubt that.will occur!

Good luck to everyone else in the pileups. Did get the XT2 on 12m yesterday right before they went QRT for a new band country!

73 John AF5CC
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Sent: Thursday, March 07, 2013 2:33 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] TX5K 40 CW

Congratulations on the 40 CW contact Al. Like W8JWN, I’ve had no joy with TX5K on 40 CW, although I’m in the log for 160, 80, 20, 15, and 10 CW. I listened for them last night from 0100 to 0300 UTC until they came up at 0300 and then tried moving around in the pile close to the last station worked or on the edges until nearly 0600. I came back to the shack at 1130 UTC and found them at 7021 working up five and tried calling until they went QRT for ten minutes at 1155. listened until 1300 but they never came back. I am running a FLEX-1500 as a panadapter / sub-rx on my OMNI-VII which running at 11W drives the TITAN-425 to 500W which is the maximum the HV-2 is rated at with the 160M mod. I’ve worked a lot of DX with this configuration so it isn’t the equipment. I just have to transmit where the DX is listening in the pile.

Its better to be lucky than good, I guess.

73 ES DX,
Gary -- AB9M

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To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
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20787. Re: [DX-IS] TX5K 40 CW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-07 15:11:06 UTC
From: n9lah@...
Topic: 20782 Message: 20787

I sat down at the rig this morning before heading to work, around 4:30 am local and they were listening up on 40 CW and was in the log in 2 calls, 100 watts and HF9V 60 miles South of Chicago, surprised the hell out of me.

Phil

N9LAH

----- Original Message -----

From: "Tom Martin" <tmartin@...>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thursday, March 7, 2013 7:01:23 AM
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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-07 15:13:01 UTC
From: Ron Notarius W3WN
Topic: 20782 Message: 20788

It's funny how propagation... and expectations & reactions of others... are working.
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I was listening, on & off, to TX5K on 40 & 30 CW last night.? Never could find the split, and it was total chaos anyway, so I didn't try too hard.? Barely heard them on 160 before hitting the sack.
?
Got up a little early before work, and sad to say (for me), nothing on 160.? DXA (and that is a fun little app, isn't it?) showed no 160 activity at the time.? (I'll just try and stay up a little later tonight).
?
No copy on 40 CW, so I tried 40 SSB.? One call.
?;
I already had them on 80 CW, so I dialed up the 75 SSB frequency, and they were coming through like gangbusters.? Probably could have worked them easily, but I didn't feel like retuning the transmatch on the 80/160 "L".
?
Something similar yesterday late afternoon.? Heard them on 17 CW, total zoo.? Went up to 12 CW, got them on the third call.? Went back to 17, zoo had died down a little, zero beat their split, one call.
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Go figure.
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... I don't think W3WH will be too happy with me.? The one band he's missing (as of right now, at least)... 40.? OTOH, he got them on 160, which is the one band I really want to work them on.? We'll see.
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And, again, congrats to all for getting through.
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73, ron w3wn

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20789. TX5K 40 CW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-07 20:47:05 UTC
From: Thomas
Topic: 20782 Message: 20789

Thanks, Al. I doubt if I will hear them on 6. They've only been about S2-3 here in the U.P. on 10. I worked them on CW and SSB anyway.

I have TX5C on 40 CW. Just wanted to work all bands with the TX5K.

Ii tried every technique on 40 CW. No luck. 1000 watts to a rotatable dipole at 80 feet and no CW success. One call on SSB,my least favorite mode,using an inverted vee at 65 feet,and one call. Weird. I guess that's why we love to chase DX. You never know what can happen.

I need Heard to reach #337. I'll be happy with one band!

73,

Tom

20790. ARLD010 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-07 23:58:04 UTC
From: jjreisert@...
Topic: 2047 Message: 20790

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DX Bulletin 10 ARLD010
>From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT March 7, 2013
To all radio amateurs

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SPRATLY ISLANDS. Members of the Borneo Amateur Radio Club will be QRV as 9M4SLL from Pulau Layang Layang, IOTA AS-051, from March 10 to 18. Activity will be on 160 to 10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY with five stations active. QSL via M0OXO.

ALGERIA, 7X. Members of Amateurs Radio Algeriens are QRV as 7T50ARA and 7T9A until May 30 to commemorate the 50th jubilee of the IARU society. QSL via 7X2ARA.

MALDIVES, 8Q. Wolfgang, OE1MWW will be QRV as 8Q7WK from March 9 to 23. Activity will be holiday style on the HF bands. QSL to home call.

RWANDA, 9X. Nick, G3RWF is QRV as 9X0NH from Kigali until March 12. Activity is on the HF bands using mostly CW. QSL to home call.

IRAN, EP. Mohsen, EP3SMH has generally been active using RTTY on 20 and 15 meters around 1500 and 1550z. QSL to home call.

BELARUS, EU. Members of the radio club Dalnye Strany are QRV during March as EV50WB in celebration of its golden jubilee. Activity is on the HF bands using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via EU1AZ for SSB contacts and EU1DX for CW and RTTY.

CLIPPERTON ISLAND, FO. A large group of operators are QRV as TX5K until March 10. They are active on 160 to 10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY with up to 10 stations active. QSL via N2OO.

DOMINICA, J7. Rick, KK4GV is QRV as J79GV until March 17. Activity is holiday style on the HF bands using SSB. QSL to home call.

MARIANA ISLANDS, KH0. Operators Sam, JE1XUZ and Tama, JQ2WTT will be QRV as KH0XH and KH0XW, respectively, from Saipan from March 10 to April 1. They will also be active as AH0BT in the upcoming CQ WW WPX SSB contest. QSL to home calls and QSL contest call via 7L1FPU.

GUAM, KH2. Look for operators JE1JAC, JK1FUP, JA2JWH and JA3HHV to be QRV as AC2CX/KH2, N6NY/NH2, KH2/K2IO and AE3KS/KH2, respectively, from March 9 to 10. Activity will be on 80 to 6 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31. QSL to home calls.

CURACAO, PJ2. Operators W1USN, AA1M and W1SSR are QRV as PJ2/home calls until March 22. Activity is on 160 to 10 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK. QSL to home calls.

TUVALU, T2. A group of operators will be QRV as T2GM from March 12 to 23. Activity will be on the HF bands with two stations. QSL via GM4FDM.

ASIATIC RUSSIA, UA0. Vladimir, RV3EFH is QRV as RV3EFH/0 from Bolshevik Island, IOTA AS-042, until October. Activity is on 40, 20, 15 and 10 meters using CW, SSB and various digital modes. QSL direct to home call.

CAMBODIA, XU. Eddy, ON4AFU is QRV as XU7AFU until March 14. Activity is on the HF bands using CW. QSL to home call.

INDONESIA, YB. Members of the Indonesian Amateur Radio Organization are QRV as YB6N from Nias Island, IOTA OC-161, until March 13. Also look for operators YB6VK, YB0SAT, YB1HK, YB4IR and YB5QZ to be QRV as home calls/6. Activity is on the HF bands. QSL via operators' instructions.

ROMANIA, YO. Members of the AJR Brasov Radioclub are QRV as YP0FOTO until the end of August. QSL via YO6BBQ.

ALBANIA, ZA. Max, IZ4JMA is QRV as ZA/IZ4JMA for the next 18 months. Activity is on all bands and modes. QSL to home call.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The North American RTTY Sprint, SKCC Weekend CW Sprintathon, AWA John Rollins Memorial DX CW Contest, NCCC RTTY Sprint, QRP CW Fox Hunt, NCCC Sprint, RSGB Commonwealth CW Contest, AGCW QRP CW Contest, QRP ARCI HF Grid Square CW Sprint, EA PSK63 Contest, Idaho QSO Party, UBA Spring 6-Meter Contest, NSARA Contest and the Wisconsin QSO Party will certainly keep contesters busy this upcoming weekend.

The RSGB 80-Meter Club CW Championship, QRP 40-Meter CW Fox Hunt, NAQCC-EU Monthly CW Sprint and CWops Mini-CWT Test are scheduled for March 13. Please see March QST, page 84, and the ARRL and WA7BNM Contest websites for details.
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20791. RE: [DX-IS] TX5K

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-08 02:56:31 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 20711 Message: 20791

Hi Al,

FB on your TX5K QSOs.
I managed to get them on a few bands and was a bit lucky to get them on 20m RTTY LP this morning. Long path to them always surprises me as I think of them as pacific rather than US but you are very close of course. By the time I got to the DXA thing (not thinking I would get through) my call had passed to the back bench, I did see it in the list so it is working.

Did get XT2TT on 10m! CW for a new one on that band, very, very, light copy but that was the same for S01R the other year.

Will be gunning for TX5T on 12/10m this weekend, the band hasn't opened that way yet (I don't think, though I do have to work in the week).

Nigel ZF2XF was pounding in this morning on 20m CW LP, hope to get him on 17 and above while he is there for new ones.

Kosovo, yes, I have a few Qs into there, just waiting....

73, Lance - VK6DU

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of VE1AL
Sent: Wednesday, 6 March 2013 2:25 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] TX5K

You did, indeed, Iain. I have since genuflected and kneeled to the east.
I'd been calling for just over an hour. Also heard them around 0400 today
on 80 but was too tired to stay in the pack for more than 30 min. Tonight
I'll be there and hope I can hear them again. Now on to 17 & 30. Just
maybe.............

73

Al, VE1AL

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com<mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>
[mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com<mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>] On Behalf Of
iain macdonnell - N6ML
Sent: Tuesday, March 05, 2013 2:19 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com<mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] TX5K

I do believe I just heard TX5K work VE1AL on 12m CW :)

73,

~iain / N6ML

On Mon, Mar 4, 2013 at 7:35 PM, VE1AL ve1al@...<mailto:ve1al%40eastlink.ca>> wrote:
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> I think, Dick, that my chance of getting Clipperton in my log in the
> next few weeks is far greater than any chance that Kosovo will count
> in my lifetime.
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> 73
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> Al, VE1AL
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> _____
> From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com<mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>
[mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com<mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>] On Behalf
> Of Richard Solomon
> Sent: Monday, March 04, 2013 8:53 PM
>
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com<mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>
> Subject: Re: [DX-IS] TX5K
>
> In the world of DX'ing, everything balances out to "net-sum-zero".
> What is easy for me, is difficult for you, and the reverse is just as
> true.
>
> Let Kosovo get added to the DXCC list and you guys on the East Coast
> will be crowing about how easy it is, while us folks out West will be
> in the same position you folks are in with Clipperton.
>
> 73, Dick, W1KSZ
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> On Mon, Mar 4, 2013 at 4:16 PM, VE1AL ve1al@eastlink.ca<mailto:ve1al%40eastlink.ca>>
wrote:
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>> Yes, Axel, of course I have thought of that. Out here on the NE coast
>> of NA they are now gone on all bands. So far, they have been best on
>> 10 through 20 in the mornings (13-1600) when they are also very good
>> into EU.
>> When I have conditions on HF in the afternoon they have still been
>> working EU. Mind you, they have picked off many of the big guns and
>> some little pistols who have managed to sneak through from NA. Sadly,
>> I haven't been one of them -- YET :-(
>>
>> I won't be able to spend any late nights or early mornings on the LF
>> bands until Thursday but will try there also through next weekend.

>>
>> I need FO/C on all the WARC bands, 10M CW and 80M. Sometime during
>> this operation I'll add one or more!!!
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>> 73
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>> Al, VE1AL
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[mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com<mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>] On Behalf
>> Of Axel Schernikau, DL6KVA
>> Sent: Monday, March 04, 2013 7:06 PM
>> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com<mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>
>> Subject: Re: [DX-IS] TX5K
>>
>> Hello Al,
>>
>> probably a stupid question ... never thought of trying to catch them
>> when EU condx are over? Right now You should have them almost for NA
>> only on 5 bands CW + SSB (per DXA) ... until the JA opening starts,
>> but even than I don't think they will call for JA for hours.
>>
>> 73 & gl,
>>
>> Axel, DL6KVA
>>
>> Am 04.03.2013 23:00, schrieb VE1AL:
>> > Yeah, you'd think!! Well I went back and forth on 12 and 17 today
>> > from 11:30 AM AST to 5:30 PM. I went for dinner and after that 12
>> > was gone. So I went back to 17 and the operator is still calling
>> > for EU with half of NA calling him. Yes, he's working some NA but
>> > when he gets a hint of a EU call he becomes tenacious.
>> >
>> > He came back to AL when he was calling for EU on 17 but as soon as
>> > he realized I wasn't EU he went on to a DL.
>> >
>> > Granted, they are very proficient ops but early on in this
>> > operation I'm not yet happy. But I'll just keep trying and perhaps
>> > I'll have success on at least one or two of the bands I need 'em on.
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>> > Should have put more effort into the DXpedition my buddy Ann, WA1S,
>> > was on!! :-(
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>> > 73
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>> > Al, VE1AL
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[mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com<mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>] On
>> > Behalf Of Paul M Dunphy
>> > Sent: Monday, March 04, 2013 6:48 PM
>> > To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com<mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>
>> > Subject: Re: [DX-IS] TX5K
>> >
>> > On 3/4/2013 6:31 PM, VE1AL wrote:
>> >> Hey, Paul, if it is so easy, how come I'm not in their log yet?
>> >> 2230 and those buggers are still calling for EU on 17. Madness.
>> >>
>> >> 73
>> >>
>> >> Al, VE1AL
>> >>
>> > Did you have the "stick-with-it-ness" to keep at them for 2-3
>> hours?
>> > I did. I never said it was easy. He was loud, but there are a lot
>> > of
>> > W4/W5/W6 stations between us and them who are louder that you or I.
>> > I just got a stubborn on and said I'm going to work them. 15 and 20
>> > were hard too, but not as bad as 17. 12 was 1-2 calls the first day.
>> >
>> > Anyhow, you'll get them. That CC A3WS should have more gain than my
>> > Mosley because it is just a dual bander. Mine is compromised in
>> > terms of spacing as all 3 element tribanders are.
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>> > 73, Paul VE1DX
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From: GARY HUBER
Topic: 20782 Message: 20792

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Date: 2013-03-08 03:26:11 UTC
From: John G.
Topic: 20782 Message: 20793

I will agree the DXA thing is pretty neat. Nice to see your call some up pretty quickly. I worked them this evening on 15m CW, didn't see my call come up after 5 minutes or so, so I worked them again. Did finally appear after the second time. Really didn't need them there, though. The DXA site should also keep pirates down as you can see exactly where they are operating.

73 John AF5CC

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The DXA thing is really great. If you have it running, you know when you callsign is entered by band and mode. No question if you are in the log. 160 thru 10 NON-WARC CW sweep is FB!

73 ES DX,
Gary -- AB9M

From: VE1AL
Sent: Thursday, March 07, 2013 8:12 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] TX5K 40 CW

Now isn't that interesting. I listened to TX5K on 80M CW around 0400 working only EU today. They were S9 and I thought working very, very slowly. Knowing I had no chance I went to bed and got up at 0930 to try again. NUTTIN' on 80M CW (saw a spot for 80M SSB) but I don't like SSB pileups. So I went to 40 on the off chance I'd find them there. And I did. Two calls and no luck, moved up 1.5 kHz and I was back in bed 5 minutes later after checking the on-line log.

Now, I didn't need 40M CW but since I'd gotten out of bed I needed something to make getting out of bed at zero-dark-30 worth the effort. Despite my bitchin' and complainin' (nonetheless justified, I believe) I now have 'em on 10, 12, 17, 30 & 40 CW. I've already got FO/C on 20 & 15 so no sense causing QRM there. I'll try 80M CW again tomorrow and Saturday and hopefully have them in the log before their departure. If not, well, next time! My SSB QSOs are from previous operations.

Yes, I certainly imagine the pileups are absolutely fierce (what I can hear) and totally and disgracefully unruly. So I'm particularly happy that my less than a superstation with just 100W has managed to get through.

Hope you do get them logged on 6M, Tom.

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Al, VE1AL

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I've had plenty of time to work them because I'm recovering from a Total Knee Replacement. I'm sleeping in the shack.

Now, to see if I can hear them on 6 meters.

Good luck to all.

73,

Tom W8JWN

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20794. Re: [DX-IS] TX5K

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-08 03:31:37 UTC
From: GARY HUBER
Topic: 20711 Message: 20794

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20795. RE: [DX-IS] TX5K

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-08 03:39:08 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 20711 Message: 20795

Hi Gary,

That is very kind of you, thank you. I did have a go at them last night on 40CW but I wasn't serious as I cleaned up on the last TX5C mob on the low bands just a few years ago. TX5K wasn't strong last night on 40 CW and I couldn't really hear them at all on SSB so perhaps they were directional to NA.

Will be gunning for them on 12/10m this weekend, 0200 – 0800z is my best bet, not sure how that fits with them.

73, Lance – VK6DU

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20796. RE: Re: [DX-IS] TX5K EU

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-08 05:15:30 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 20773 Message: 20796

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Ron Notarius W3WN
Sent: Thursday, 7 March 2013 4:40 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: Re: [DX-IS] TX5K EU

DXA thinks KH2D is still on Guam

On 03/06/13, GARY HUBER wrote:

Al, I understand your frustration. I?d like a 40m CW contact but have not been able to find a time over the past couple nights (I listened from 0200 to
0545 UTC Tuesday) when TX5K was QRV for NA. It seems to me if the EU demand is that great for 40 CW and that is all they will work while there is propagation to EU, maybe the 08-09 to 1300 UTC slot could open to DXers NOT in EU. I?d bet there would be DXers from VE1 to ZL who having common darkness with TX5K would be calling. Last weekend during the ARRL DX test I worked VK, ZL, and JA on 40M in a three minute period just before 1200 UTC, so I know there is 40M propagation, but not to EU at that time.

I do have 160, 80, 20, 15, and 10 Meter CW contacts confirmed on http://www.dxa2.org/ so I know I can work them; I?d just like to have a chance at 40 CW!

73 ES
DX,
Gary -- AB9M

From: VE1AL

Sent: Wednesday, March 06, 2013 1:33 PM

To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com

Subject: [DX-IS] TX5K EU

OK, I've been very lucky to have worked
TX5K on 12, 17 & 30M and added them for a new mode on 10M. But, after
all, it is just southwest of W6. However, the bands are open in that
direction, from here, only during certain hours of the day.

Am I the only one who has become very, very
frustrated with the hours a day spent on EU?

I've been listening to TX5Ks operator on 15
CW for a few hours. He actually came back to me but when he realized I was

a VE1 (on a direct path to EU for him, he went on to a European and totally ignored me. This happened a few days ago on another band. A quick report would have made me happy but that didn't happen.

The last two early mornings here (0400-0500) TX5K was S9 on 80M working EU only!!! Not a single NA worked in an hour.

Enough already!!!!!

73

Al, VE1AL

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20797. Re: [DX-IS] TX5K EU

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-08 05:50:01 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 20773 Message: 20797

On 3/8/2013 1:15 AM, Lance Martin wrote:
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Well, it was initially issued in Guam around 1985, but it belongs to Jim Kehler who started this list in 1998. He moved from Guam to Florida in 2001. I don't want to start up the never ending FCC bashing thread and the "calls should be like they used to be in 1969" argument again. KH2D is a legal call that was renewed in 2012, and the FCC and I know it is in the state of Florida.

I'm sure the DXA application doesn't research all of this, and that's why it may show as Guam on that web page. The grid specified by Jim on QRZ.COM (EM90gp) looks like Florida to me. DX Labs (the logging suite I use) looks up the grid if one is present and tells you where it is, but something like DXA is going to have to rely on the call structure to determine the location of the station.

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By the way, how many current members were here from day 1 when KH2D formed this list? I was. Anyone else? It was a successor of the one VE7TCP ran back in 1996-1998.

73, Paul VE1DX

20798. Re: [DX-IS] TX5K EU

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-08 08:57:14 UTC
From: Donald R Greenbaum
Topic: 20773 Message: 20798

Since you bring up DXA, Heard Island, and this list, it should be noted for the newcomers that in 1995 VK0IR came on the air led by the same Bob Schmeider, KK6EK. He sent logs daily via ham satellite to our pilot in Belgium who then forwarded them to me via packet clusters. I then posted them to the website for lookup. This was the first time online logs were available (it took 24-36 hours). Looking back, it was the beginning of the use of pilots, websites, log lookups etc. And VE7TCP was one of the technical advisors to us on transferring the data securely over packet cluster messages.

Seeing your QSO after 36 hours was considered amazing. Now we want it in 36 seconds.

And one of the outgrowths of VK0IR was the creation of this list.

We've come full circle.

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20799. Re: [DX-IS] TX5K

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-08 12:39:06 UTC
From: GARY HUBER
Topic: 20711 Message: 20799

Hi Lance,

This morning (3-8-13) at my SR (12:20) the TX5K 40 CW pile was mostly NA (US) with several VK callers. But I was hearing TX5K EU UP. Maybe it was a mistake as there is NO way theres prop to EU from Clipperton at 1200 UTC...

I did get thru on 40 CW last night. Lots of callers. Stayed on the high edge as that seemed to be where the TX5K op was working. I did not hear any 599 or TU on the low end.

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Date: 2013-03-08 13:27:09 UTC
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Topic: 20773 Message: 20800

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Date: 2013-03-08 13:57:44 UTC
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20803. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-08 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 20803

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:Issued: 2013 Mar 08 1308 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
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SIDC URSIGRAM 30308
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 08 Mar 2013, 1302UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 08 Mar 2013 until 10 Mar 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >= 50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Warning condition
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COMMENT: Solar activity has been low, NOAA AR 1686 produced a C1.5
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TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 050, BASED ON 06 STATIONS.

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Topic: 20711 Message: 20804

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-08 14:14:41 UTC
From: VE1AL
Topic: 20711 Message: 20805

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Date: 2013-03-08 14:15:24 UTC
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Charter Member North Coast Contesters

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From: mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com [mailto:mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of iain macdonnell - N6ML
Sent: Tuesday, March 05, 2013 2:19 PM
To: mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] TX5K

I do believe I just heard TX5K work VE1AL on 12m CW :)

73,

~iain / N6ML

On Mon, Mar 4, 2013 at 7:35 PM, VE1AL mailto:ve1al%40eastlink.ca> wrote:
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>
> I think, Dick, that my chance of getting Clipperton in my log in the
> next few weeks is far greater than any chance that Kosovo will count
> in my lifetime.
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> 73
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> Al, VE1AL
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> _____
> From: mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com [mailto:mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com] On Behalf
> Of Richard Solomon
> Sent: Monday, March 04, 2013 8:53 PM
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> To: mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com
> Subject: Re: [DX-IS] TX5K
>
> In the world of DX'ing, everything balances out to "net-sum-zero".
> What is easy for me, is difficult for you, and the reverse is just as
> true.
>
> Let Kosovo get added to the DXCC list and you guys on the East Coast
> will be crowing about how easy it is, while us folks out West will be
> in the same position you folks are in with Clipperton.
>
> 73, Dick, W1KSZ
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> On Mon, Mar 4, 2013 at 4:16 PM, VE1AL mailto:ve1al%40eastlink.ca> wrote:
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>> Yes, Axel, of course I have thought of that. Out here on the NE coast
>> of NA they are now gone on all bands. So far, they have been best on
>> 10 through 20 in the mornings (13-1600) when they are also very good
>> into EU.
>> When I have conditions on HF in the afternoon they have still been
>> working EU. Mind you, they have picked off many of the big guns and
>> some little pistols who have managed to sneak through from NA. Sadly,
>> I haven't been one of them -- YET :-(
>>
>> I won't be able to spend any late nights or early mornings on the LF
>> bands until Thursday but will try there also through next weekend.
>>
>> I need FO/C on all the WARC bands, 10M CW and 80M. Sometime during
>> this operation I'll add one or more!!!
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>> 73
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>> Al, VE1AL
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>> -----Original Message-----
>> From: mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com [mailto:mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com] On Behalf
>> Of Axel Schernikau, DL6KVA
>> Sent: Monday, March 04, 2013 7:06 PM
>> To: mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com
>> Subject: Re: [DX-IS] TX5K
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>> Hello Al,
>>
>> probably a stupid question ... never thought of trying to catch them
>> when EU condx are over? Right now You should have them almost for NA
>> only on 5 bands CW + SSB (per DXA) ... until the JA opening starts,

>> but even than I don't think they will call for JA for hours.
>>
>> 73 & gl,
>>
>> Axel, DL6KVA
>>
>> Am 04.03.2013 23:00, schrieb VE1AL:
>> > Yeah, you'd think!! Well I went back and forth on 12 and 17 today
>> > from 11:30 AM AST to 5:30 PM. I went for dinner and after that 12
>> > was gone. So I went back to 17 and the operator is still calling
>> > for EU with half of NA calling him. Yes, he's working some NA but
>> > when he gets a hint of a EU call he becomes tenacious.
>> >
>> > He came back to AL when he was calling for EU on 17 but as soon as
>> > he realized I wasn't EU he went on to a DL.
>> >
>> > Granted, they are very proficient ops but early on in this
>> > operation I'm not yet happy. But I'll just keep trying and perhaps
>> > I'll have success on at least one or two of the bands I need 'em on.
>> >
>> > Should have put more effort into the DXpedition my buddy Ann, WA1S,
>> > was on!! :-(
>> >
>> > 73
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>> > Al, VE1AL
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>> > -----Original Message-----
>> > From: mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com [mailto:mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com] On
>> > Behalf Of Paul M Dunphy
>> > Sent: Monday, March 04, 2013 6:48 PM
>> > To: mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com
>> > Subject: Re: [DX-IS] TX5K
>> >
>> > On 3/4/2013 6:31 PM, VE1AL wrote:
>> >> Hey, Paul, if it is so easy, how come I'm not in their log yet?
>> >> 2230 and those buggers are still calling for EU on 17. Madness.
>> >>
>> >> 73
>> >>
>> >> Al, VE1AL
>> >>
>> > Did you have the "stick-with-it-ness" to keep at them for 2-3
>> hours?
>> > I did. I never said it was easy. He was loud, but there are a lot
>> > of
>> > W4/W5/W6 stations between us and them who are louder that you or I.

>> > I just got a stubborn on and said I'm going to work them. 15 and 20
>> > were hard too, but not as bad as 17. 12 was 1-2 calls the first day.
>> >
>> > Anyhow, you'll get them. That CC A3WS should have more gain than my
>> > Mosley because it is just a dual bander. Mine is compromised in
>> > terms of spacing as all 3 element tribanders are.
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>> > 73, Paul VE1DX
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20807. Re: [DX-IS] TX5K EU

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-08 14:36:48 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 20773 Message: 20807

I was on the old list when VE7TCP ran it and I was on the list when KH2D had it, pretty much from the start.

I haven't heard from Jim in years but I used to chat with him via e-mail. He sent me a beta version of some software he developed called "Clusterbuster" (I think) which was something relatively new then. It interfaced with your radio and if you clicked on a spot, it would take the radio to that frequency.

I worked TK5K on 30 last night. They were working mostly EU but they were not sending "EU." So I was in there calling. Every once in a while they'd answer a couple US stations. After about a half an hour they heard me.

I probably worked the last Clipperton operation on 30 but I know I didn't work that one on 80. So I'm particularly happy that I got this one on 80m with my barefoot rig and non-optimum antenna.

73, Zack W9SZ

On 3/7/13, Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...> wrote:
> On 3/8/2013 1:15 AM, Lance Martin wrote:
>> Well KH2D is a Guam call sign, I have no problem with that.
>>
>> 73, Lance - VK6DU
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>
> Well, it was initially issued in Guam around 1985, but it belongs
> to Jim Kehler who started this list in 1998. He moved from Guam to
> Florida in 2001. I don't want to start up the never ending FCC bashing
> thread and the "calls should be like they used to be in 1969" argument
> again. KH2D is a legal call that was renewed in 2012, and the FCC and I
> know it is in the state of Florida.
>
> I'm sure the DXA application doesn't research all of this, and
> that's why it may show as Guam on that web page. The grid specified by
> Jim on QRZ.COM (EM90gp) looks like Florida to me. DX Labs (the logging
> suite I use) looks up the grid if one is present and tells you where it
> is, but something like DXA is going to have to rely on the call
> structure to determine the location of the station.
>
> If they get all the bugs worked out of DXA (as they seem to have by
> now), then for Heard Island next year this will be a blessing. It's
> amazing to work them and see your call pop up a minute or two later.
> When I started, you found out 6 months later when your cards came back.
> If a band was NIL, it was a little late to re-work them then! :-)

>
> By the way, how many current members were here from day 1 when KH2D
> formed this list? I was. Anyone else? It was a successor of the one
> VE7TCP ran back in 1996-1998.
>
> 73, Paul VE1DX
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20808. RE: [DX-IS] The list

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-08 14:54:48 UTC
From: VE1AL
Topic: 20773 Message: 20808

I must have been on the VE7TCP system (although I didn't remember his call) because VE1XT's biggest customer was me. I remember the fights he had with the local repeater group who constantly complained that the packet bursts were interfering with their "right" to a clear repeater. And of course I concur that the packet cluster between Sydney and Halifax (I don't recall the number of hops) was always down more than it was up!

I'll always remember how excited Jack would get when he could connect all the way to Boston or New York on a dozen or more repeaters. AHHHHHHHHH.....!

73

Al, VE1AL

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Paul M Dunphy
Sent: Friday, March 08, 2013 9:46 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] The list

On 3/8/2013 9:27 AM, Phil & Anne Irons wrote:
> On 2013-03-08 01:50, Paul M Dunphy wrote:
>>
>> By the way, how many current members were here from day 1 when KH2D
>> formed this list? I was. Anyone else? It was a successor of the one
>> VE7TCP ran back in 1996-1998.
>>
>> 73, Paul VE1DX
>
> Hi Paul...
>
> to be honest I don't remember KH2D running the list, but I was a
> member of VE7TCP's list back in the 90's. I thought it was kinda neat
> that a VE should be hosting a DX list; but come to think of it, now
> it's a VE1, which makes me feel a bit prouder. Of course, one must
> also remember Don, N1DG[?] for his work as co-owner.
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> 73,
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> Phil/VE1BVD
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>

Don's email reminded me of how I got involved in this. Being in the IT field, I was naturally drawn to the marriage of computers and Ham radio. Around this time I was helping then VE1CBK (now VE1NR) keep our DX Packet Cluster going and it was occasionally linked to the one in your area that VE1XT ran (although our packet nodes were down more than they were up.)

Sometime around then VE7TCP showed up with a DX discussion list (thanks Don for filling in the gap that you and he were involved with the log transfer from Heard . . . I didn't know that.) VE7TCP was good, but a few years ago I tried to find him and the call didn't exist. I think I once found a reference to him in VE6 with a different call, but he seems to have disappeared.

This isn't *exactly* the same list as was started in 1998. Because of Yahoo's refusal to reset the owner password after the owner at the time (after KH2D gave it up) died, the only "control" was N1DG's moderator status. We decided to create a new, parallel list with a slightly different name, and mass migrate everyone from the hobbled list to this one. Don and I are co-owners here on the theory that when one of us dies, the surviving member will still be an owner and can appoint another co-owner. This is to prevent a repeat of a list with no owner, just a moderator. Moderators can do a lot, but there are some functions only an owner can do.

Anyhow, thanks for the compliment. It isn't a hard job . . . but at times it can be frustrating knowing what to do. We want discussion, and one never knows when to say "tone it down, guys!" :-)

73, Paul VE1DX

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20809. Re: The List

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-08 18:47:32 UTC
From: Pete Michaelis - N8TR
Topic: 20773 Message: 20809

I have been a member of this list and its predecessors since the mid 90's shortly after I retired.

I remember fondly the many "DX-IS" essays written by VE1DX in the style of an earlier set of essays in the old West Coast DX Bulletin by Hugh Cassidy, WA6AUD. I miss them.

73 Pete - N8TR

At 12:50 AM 3/8/2013, VE1DX wrote:

>By the way, how many current members were here from day 1 when KH2D
>formed this list? I was. Anyone else? It was a successor of the one
>VE7TCP ran back in 1996-1998.

20810. Re: Re: The List

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-08 19:40:34 UTC
From: Peg Haese KB9LIE
Topic: 20773 Message: 20810

Pete, you'll find the "DX Is" story archive at http://www.ve1dx.net/Stories/stories.html

73 de Peg KB9LIE in sunny far SW Wisconsin USA

--- On Fri, 3/8/13, Pete Michaelis - N8TR <Pete.N8TR@...> wrote:

I remember fondly the many "DX-IS" essays written by VE1DX in the style of an earlier set of essays in the old West Coast DX Bulletin by Hugh Cassidy WA6AUD. I miss them.

20811. RE: [DX-IS] Re: Re: The List

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-08 19:58:01 UTC
From: KQ8M
Topic: 20773 Message: 20811

Hi Pete, I didn't know you were on here.

73,

Tim Herrick, KQ8M

Charter Member North Coast Contesters

kq8m@...

AR-Cluster V6 kq8m.no-ip.org

User Ports: 23, 7373 with local skimmer, 7374 without local skimmer

Server Ports: V6 3607, V4 Active 3605, V4 Passive 3606

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Peg Haese KB9LIE
Sent: Friday, March 08, 2013 2:41 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: Re: The List

Pete, you'll find the "DX Is" story archive at http://www.ve1dx.net/Stories/stories.html

73 de Peg KB9LIE in sunny far SW Wisconsin USA

--- On Fri, 3/8/13, Pete Michaelis - N8TR <Pete.N8TR@... <mailto:Pete.N8TR%40gmail.com> > wrote:

I remember fondly the many "DX-IS" essays written by VE1DX in the style of an earlier set of essays in the old West Coast DX
Bulletin by Hugh Cassidy WA6AUD. I miss them.

20812. ARLP010 Propagation de K7RA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-08 20:00:07 UTC
From: jjreisert@...
Topic: 2263 Message: 20812

SB PROP @ ARL $ARLP010
ARLP010 Propagation de K7RA

ZCZC AP10
QST de W1AW
Propagation Forecast Bulletin 10 ARLP010
>From Tad Cook, K7RA
Seattle, WA March 8, 2013
To all radio amateurs

SB PROP ARL ARLP010
ARLP010 Propagation de K7RA

The averages of daily sunspot numbers and solar flux over the reporting week (February 28 through March 6) both rose, with sunspot numbers up nearly 36 points to 93.3 and solar flux up nearly 12 points to 112.6, in comparison to the previous seven days. The most active geomagnetic day was Friday, March 1, when the planetary A index was 27 and the mid-latitude A index was 23. Alaska's high latitude college A index was a whopping 64. The upset was sparked by a stream of high speed solar wind.

The latest forecast from NOAA/USAF puts average solar flux for the next five days (March 9-13) at 118.2, higher than average solar flux for the reporting week, which was 112.6.

Predicted solar flux is 112 and 118 on March 8-9, 120 on March 10-11, 118 on March 12, 115 on March 13-14, 105 on March 15, 95 on March 16-17, 100 on March 18-20, 105 on March 21-24, 110 on March 25 through April 1, and 105 on April 2-5.

The predicted planetary A index is 8 on March 8, 5 on March 9, 8 on March 10-12, 5 on March 13-20, 8 on March 21, 5 on March 22-27, then 18, 10, 5 and 10 on March 28-31 and 8 on April 1-4.

F.K. Janda, OK1HH predicts quiet geomagnetic conditions on March 8-9, mostly quiet March 10-11, quiet to unsettled March 12, quiet to active March 13, quiet on March 14, quiet to unsettled March 15-17, quiet on March 18, mostly quiet March 19-20, active to disturbed March 21-22, quiet March 23-24, mostly quiet March 25, quiet March 26-27, quiet to active March 28-30, and quiet to unsettled March 31.

Have we mentioned recently that for HF propagation, we generally want higher sunspot numbers but low geomagnetic indices at the same time?

At http://solarscience.msfc.nasa.gov/predict.shtml you can see the latest NASA solar cycle prediction. They revised the forecast downward again. Last month they said that the cycle should peak this Fall with a smoothed sunspot number of 69. That was revised down by three points, and now they say it will peak at 66. These are International Sunspot Numbers, which have a lower scale than the Boulder numbers we use in this bulletin, which run about 35% higher.

Many readers wrote in concerning the news about a possible double-peak for the current solar cycle. There seemed to be a peak in activity around the end of 2011, then activity fell off last year. If true that the cycle peaks this Spring or Fall, we don't seem to be trending toward that activity yet.

Check http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6j4bl57D_1U for a video from NASA explaining this. Note you can watch the video in HD and full screen by selecting options at the bottom.

Thanks to John Campbell, K4NFE, Elwood Downey, WB0OEW, Gary Johnson, K5SWW, and David Dary, W5ZAX, for the tips on the story.

If you go to http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/weekly/pdf/prf1957.pdf for the latest Preliminary Report and Forecast and turn to page 15, you can check the numbers for the latest prediction from Boulder. It shows a peak in September and October 2013, with levels about 27% higher than solar activity last month, February 2013.

See also that the peak in activity at the end of 2011 is represented by the higher numbers (smoothed, so the peak is not pronounced), then gradually declining. The averaging function seems to have moved that peak out to February and March of 2012. But the predicted peak this year is quite a bit higher than the previous peak. Let's hope that the second peak is indeed much more robust, as predicted.

At http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/weekly/pdf/prf1953.pdf the forecast from last month shows higher values for the end of 2012 and the first few months of 2013. These reflect estimated future sunspot numbers, which would drag the average down. The numbers for each month are an average for a year's worth of data, six months forward, and six months back. The estimate for March 2013 went from 77 last month to 73 this month. The latest figure represents one more month of real recorded data than last month's prediction.

Note also on the next page that the solar flux prediction shows the peak for that parameter in August 2013.

Julio Medina, NP3CW of San Juan, Puerto Rico wrote, "Just to let you know that today 01 March 2013 from 1826-1837z I worked VU3WIJ and VU3WII on 20 meter SSB with 5x9 reports both way. I was using a vertical antenna at ten feet above the ground and 100 watts. Both stations had pile ups and they copied my signal very easily."

I replied, "On that day I would expect the band to just begin to open at that time, but signals should reach a peak from 2100-2300z."

Steve Hawkins, NG0G wrote: "On March 5 at 2213Z I had just worked TX5K (Clipperton Island) on 24 MHz CW. I live in Boone Iowa and it was getting on toward late afternoon." (See http://www.tx5k.org/ for the Clipperton DXpedition.)

"After working TX5K I stumbled across XT2TT (Burkina Faso) on the same band. Since by then it had been dark in Africa for hours I was very skeptical and thinking pirate. But I adopted the standard 'Work now, worry later' mode.

"I'll admit it took tweaking everything built into my FT-1000 MKV Field, and listening so hard there may have been arcing inside my skull, but I could hear them. I called and worked them about the 3rd call. At first I thought 'noooooo, this must be a pirate,' as with my wimpy vertical, and the solar flux as low as it is, 24 MHz should not be open to Africa from Iowa at 2213Z. I was astounded when not only did they answer me, but I quickly showed up in their online log.

"I could almost hear http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NzlG28B-R8Y (cue the Twilight Zone theme music.)

"Despite feeling like the guest on a certain late night talk show, I quickly launched into my best post-back surgery version of the 'Happy Dance.'

Talking later with a friend, K0KT, he reminded me that near to the equator, the MUF can be surprisingly high up to midnight."

Actually when running the numbers on W6ELprop, propagation over that path at that time on that band is not unusual. I entered 42.07 degrees North, 93.88 degrees West for Steve's location, and found the XT2TT DXpedition QTH at, http://www.i2ysb.com/idt/index.php?option=com_content&view=featured&Itemid=101.

That page shows a grid square location of IK92fi, so I entered this into the AMSAT grid square conversion tool at http://www.amsat.org/cgi-bin/gridconv.

This yielded 12.3542 degrees North, 1.54167 degrees West for XT2TT. This turns out to be only 25 miles north of the default Burkina Faso coordinates in W6ELprop.

Based on these coordinates, the station is in the southwest portion of Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso's capitol city. I checked this at 4:17 AM Seattle time today, which is 12:17 PM in Burkina Faso and also 1217z. The temperature was 102 degrees F with humidity of only 11% in Ouagadougou. The annual rainfall there is only 35 inches, and the high temperatures between March and May reach 113 degrees F.

The path length is 5,767 miles (9,281 km), and on March 5 W6ELprop shows an opening beginning with a B rating (available 50-75% of the time) and signal-to-noise ratio of 40 dB at 1330z, changing to an A rating (opening 75-100% of the time) by 1430z. By 1830z the s/n ratio is 43 dB and it gradually increases to a peak of 48 dB at 2300z. Signals stay at that level, but availability degrades to a B rating at 2330-0000z, C rating (25-50% availability) at 0030z and D rating (1-25%) at 0100-0130z.

Sunset at XT2TT was 1812z on March 5, and at NG0G it was 0006z. So that path opens about 45 minutes after sunrise at NG0G (1248z), gets better after sunset at XT2TT, and finally begins fading around sunset at NG0G. A half hour after sunset in Iowa, that path is done.

For more info on using W6ELprop, see references at the bottom of this page, or check http://www.arrl.org/files/file/Technology/propagation/W6elprop.pdf. You can download W6ELprop at http://www.qsl.net/w6elprop/.

Ken Miller, K6CTW of Rancho Cucamonga, California wrote, "I was up late last night working on the computer and saw that the Clipperton DXpedition was operating on 80 meter CW near the bottom end of the band. Just to satisfy my curiosity I turned on the 1960s station I've restored (Heathkit DX-60 with homebrew DDS-VFO and Drake 2-B receiver with 2-BQ Q-Multiplier feeding an inverted-vee dipole antenna) to see what I could hear. (Ken runs the old Novice power limit on this rig, just as he did on the same setup in 1967, 75 watts, or about 40-45 watts out.) Their signal here in Southern California was 20 over S-9 or better so I loaded up the DX-60 and gave a call after figuring out where the operator was listening (he was running JAs). Imagine my amazement when he came back to my call! I am always impressed that the operators at these DXpeditions can sort out a weak signal like mine out of the unbelievable racket. Thanks to them and also, what a surprise to see how good communications can be on the low bands late at night."

Ken wrote in a subsequent email: "I've restored this first DX-60 (and a Drake 2-B and 2-BQ Q-Multiplier) to get my feet wet. I am now in the process of rebuilding another DX-60 kit with all new parts. I re-plated the chassis and all the metal, and I've added an OA2 voltage regulator tube to the power segment of the 6CL6 oscillator section. That will prevent chirp on 10 meters.

"The VFO is a home brew DDS unit using the now 'retired' FCC-1 and FCC-2 from The NorCal QRP Club. For details, check the April or May issue of Electric Radio as Ray is publishing an article I wrote about my experience.

"I'm also home-brewing another improved version VFO using Jim, WA1FFL's DDS unit. This one is a significant upgrade to the unit described in the article."

If you would like to make a comment or have a tip for our readers, email the author at, k7ra@....

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service web page at http://arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals. For an explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin, see http://arrl.org/the-sun-the-earth-the-ionosphere. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at http://arrl.org/w1aw-bulletins-archive-propagation. Find more good information and tutorials on propagation at http://myplace.frontier.com/~k9la/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://arrl.org/propagation.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of ARRL bulletins are at http://arrl.org/bulletins.

Sunspot numbers for February 28 through March 6 were 63, 88, 90, 115, 103, 106, and 88, with a mean of 93.3. 10.7 cm flux was 105.5, 112.5, 111, 112, 114.3, 118.4, and 114.3, with a mean of 112.6. Estimated planetary A indices were 7, 27, 12, 7, 4, 4, and 3, with a mean of 9.1. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 8, 23, 14, 6, 4, 3, and 4, with a mean of 8.9.
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20813. 425 DX News - #1140

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-08 20:22:43 UTC
From: r_brothers
Topic: 20813 Message: 20813

09 March 2013 A.R.I. DX Bulletin
No 1140
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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** DX INFORMATION ****
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Edited by I1JQJ & IK1ADH
Direttore Responsabile I2VGW

C5 - Pedro, ON7WP will be working on a human aid project in The Gambia and be active C5WP on 20-27 March. He will be QRV on 40-10 metres. QSL via home call, direct only. [TNX ON7WP]
CT9 - Peter, G3TKK reports he will be active holiday style as CT9/G3TKK from Madeira (AF-014) on 12-22 March. He operates CW and digital modes. QSL via home call.
FS & PJ- Andy, DK5ON will be active from either Saint Martin (FS/DK5ON) and Sint Maarten (PJ7/DK5ON) on 10-29 March. He plans to operate SSB, PSK and RTTY on 80-6 metres. QSL via home call. [TNX NG3K]
H4 - Dom, SQ9KWW and Maggie, H44MK will join Ralph, H44RK/H40RK on a 4-week IOTA tour around the Solomon Islands [425DXN 1135]. It will start the first week of June, with planned activities from IOTA groups OC-149, OC-168, OC-047, OC-127 and OC-285 (Stewart Islands, new one for IOTA). A special callsign is being applied for (reportedly H40IOTA, but all of the groups mentioned above count for Solomon Islands, H44, DXCC wise). They are looking to take on board one proficient CW operator for the OC-285 leg of the journey. Please contact Ralph at ralph.honiara[@]gmail.com, which is also the PayPal address for donations. After OC-285, Ralph will continue on a solo activation trip to three IOTA groups in Temotu Province (OC-065, OC-100 and OC-163) and two groups in Vanuatu (OC-110 and OC-104) as heading back to Brisbane (Australia). All QSL requests via NR6M. [TNX NR6M]
JD1_oga- Harry, JG7PSJ will be active again as JD1BMH from Chichijima (AS-031), Ogasawara from 22 April to 4 May. He will operate CW, SSB and RTTY on 40-10 metres, plus 80m if possible. QSL via JD1BMH (bureau) or JG7PSJ (direct). Logsearch and other information can be found at http://jd1bmh.zxq.net/ [TNX JG7PSJ]
KH9 - A DXpedition to Wake Island (OC-053) is being organized to take place in October. Access to Wake is extremely limited and the time frame is dictated by transportation issues. As such, official dates have not been set but will be announced as soon as possible. Twelve operators (Lou N2TU, Craig K9CT, Joe AA4NN, Joe W8GEX, Jerry WB9Z, Tom ND2T, Mike K9NW, John K6MM, Hal W8HC, Carl K9CS, Dick W3OA and Tom N4XP) plan to be QRV with five stations on all bands and modes over a 14 day period. This operation combines a

DXpedition and a commemoration of the 70th anniversary of a tragic event occurred on the atoll during World War II. Bookmark www.wake2013.org for further information and updates. [TNX W8GEX]
LU - Members of Radio Club Ushuaia (LU8XW) will operate as LT5X from Isla Redonda (SA-049) from around 00:00 UTC on 23 March until around 15 UTC on the 24th. They plan to run three stations on 80, 40, 20, 25 and 10 metres SSB, CW and PSK31. [TNX LU6XV]
LY - Jonas, LY5A will be active as LY23A from 11 March to 11 April to celebrate the 23rd anniversary of the restoration of Lithuanian independence QSL via LY5A. Information on the LY WPX Trophy can be found at http://qrz.com/db/LY5W [TNX LY5W]
MJ - Kazu, M0CFW will be active as MJ0CFW from Jersey (EU-013) on 15-17 March. He will participate in the Russian DX and BARTG HF RTTY contests. QSL via home call and LoTW. [TNX NG3K]
OE - The Amateur Radio Section of ORF (the Austrian Broadcasting Corporation) and the Documentary Archives Radio Communications/QSL Collection will operate special event station OE13M on 19-21 April. This is an official "International Marconi Day" station and contacts made on 20 April will count for the IMD Award. QSL via OE1WHC. [TNX OE1WHC]
PJ7 - Look for Randy PJ7/N0TG, Ron PJ7/AA4VK and Jeff PJ7/N1SNB to be active from St Maarten (NA-105) on 15-23 March, with a focus on the higher bands. QSL all callsigns via AA4VK (direct only). [TNX DX World]
T5 - Tevfik Aydin, TA1HZ will be in Mogadishu, Somalia on a humanitarian mission from 23 March to 4 April. He plans to operate on the HF bands in his spare time, hopefully as T5TC (callsign not assigned yet), with activity also during the CQ WW WPX SSB Contest. QSL via home call. [TNX TA1HZ]
V3 - Ron, WB1EAZ and Elaine, KA1UCC will be active as V31RT and V31BE from Belize on 13-20 March. They will operate SSB with a focus on Europe, Oceania and Asia. QSLs direct to WB1EAZ.
VK - Graham VK3DOG, Keith VK3FT and Tony VK3TZ will be active as homecall/p from Phillip Island (OC-136) on 15-18 March. They will be QRV on 160-10 metres, using rotatable dipoles on the high bands, full size verticals on 40m and 80m and a 22m-tall vertical array on 160m, with some parasitic elements, beverages and loops for receive. [TNX DX World]
ZL7 - Jim, ZL1LC will be active as ZL7LC from the Chatham Islands (OC-038) on 14-20 March. He will operate PSK31 only on 7035, 14070, 21070 and 28120 kHz. QSL via EB7DX (direct).
ZS8 - At the end of the day, two radio amateurs will be part of the overwintering team on Marion Island and will be active from May 2013 to April 2014: Carson, ZR6CWI (ZS8C) [425DXN 1136] and David, ZS1BCE (ZS8Z), who finally has been appointed as the radio technician. They are expected to operate SSB and digital modes on 40-10 metres. QSL for both via ZS1HF, who says that "more information will be posted on their respective qrz.com sites once they have been created". [TNX DX World]

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**** GOOD TO KNOW ... ****
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INTERNATIONAL MARCONI DAY ---> Organized by the Cornish Radio Amateur Club, the International Marconi Day (IMD) is a 24-hour amateur radio event held annually to celebrate the birth of Guglielmo Marconi (25 April 1874). It is not a contest, but an opportunity for amateurs around the world to make contacts with historic Marconi sites using HF communications techniques. This year's event will be held on 20 April, from 00.00 UTC through 23.59 UTC. Details, including information on the relevant Award Certificates and the listing of participating stations, can be found at www.gb4imd.org.uk

T4#RRC ---> All of the recent activities (T48RRC from NA-218, T47RRC from NA-086, T46RRC & T46T from NA-204) have been approved for IOTA and DXCC credit. The OQRS for either direct and bureau cards has been activated (http://cuba2013.ru/oqrs)

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
******* QSL ROUTES *******
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3B9DX EA5GL HB0A HB0FL T88XH JA0EKI
3G1D EA5GL HG52FC HA5BSW TI8M TI2KAC
3G3W XQ4CW HI3K KB2MS TJ3AY F5LGE
3V8BB LX1NO HK1MW K4AMW TJ3SN IZ1BZV
3W3A JF1HJZ HK1T EA5KB TM0T F4DXW
3W7W W3HNK HR5/F2JD F6AJA TM11G F5TLN
3XY0ZA TF3ZA HS25DX E20PFE TM1T F5TRO
4A1TD XE1GZU HZ1PS IZ8CLM TM25KMB F5KMB
4L0G EA7FTR II0ICH IM0QMA TM2B F8CIL
4L8A K1BV II0IDP IS0IGV TM2T F6KDF
5H3EE DL4ME II3MNA IQ3TS TM50ENSO F5LGQ
5N7M OM3CGN IO5O IK5RLP TM55M F0ESV
5R8UI IZ8CCW J28AA E77E or K2PF TM5E F8KGS
5W0W NR6M J28NC F5RQQ TM5OTT F4SGU
5X1XA G3SWH J28UC F5RQQ TO1A F5HRY
6W2SC HA3AUI J34G G3PJT TO1PF FR1GZ
6Y6T WA4WTG J38A K4LTA TX5K N2OO
7P8PB EI7CC J47X SV7BVM TZ6BB W3HNK
7T50ARA 7X2ARA J5UAP HA3AUI UK8OWW 4Z5OG
8P1V W1VE J88DR G3TBK V26M W3HNK
8P2K KU9C JT5DX JT1CO V31AC KB8TXZ

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9A8M 9A3JB L50EY EA5KB V31VJ KB8TXZ
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9X0NH G3RWF LN8W LA9VDA V85AVE W3HNK
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C6AZZ KQ8Z OC4FB OA4O VP9I WW3S
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CN8YZ 6K5YPD OH8X OH2UA WP3A NP3O
CO6HLP EA7FTR OK7K OK1BN XR2BH CE2UNE
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CV5D CX2ABC P29CS M0URX XT2IVU JA3IVU
CV5K CX2ABC P29FR I2RFJ XU7AFU ON4AFU
CW3R CX1AA P40P W5AJ XV4Y OK1DOT
CX7CO EA5GL P49V AI6V XW0ZJZ E21EIC
CX7TT K5WW P49Y AE6Y YB6N YB4IR
DR20CFT DG2MEL PA90CII PA2LO YC9DEB HA3JB
E7DX E77E PJ2T W3HNK YE6YE EA7FTR
ED1R EC1KR PJ4/K2NG WA2NHA YI1RZ IK2DUW
EF8U EA8URL PJ4G WA2NHA YL44WFF YL2SW
EG7DA EA7RCS PJ7AA AA9A YN3GEA OE3GEA
EG7DCA EA7URS PJ7MF IZ1MHY YN5Z K7ZO
EL2DT EL2FM PQ7M PS7HD YR1C YO4NA
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EY8JA JE1CAQ S21XV UT6UD ZF2LC W2SM
FG4KH F1DUZ SJ2W SM2LIY ZF2XF G3TXF
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20814. 425 DX Calendar - #1140

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From: r_brothers
Topic: 20814 Message: 20814

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20815. Rob Chipperfield M0VFC has won the 2012 Single-Operator Cass Award

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-09 02:11:14 UTC
From: Dave AA6YQ
Topic: 20815 Message: 20815

The Cass Award is an incentive to encourage DXpedition operating excellence.

From the remote South Atlantic island of Tristan Da Cunha as ZD9UW in October 2012, Rob worked 3362 unique stations over his 4-day
DXPedition, demonstrating an outstanding effort to log as many individuals as possible. A picture of Rob (on the left) receiving his
plaque and prize from Michael G7VJR in Cambridge, England on March 7, 2013 can be seen in

<http://www.cassaward.com/M0VFC_G7VJR.jpg>

Presented annually, the Cass Award encourages DXPeditions to maximize the number of DXers worked with a $1000 prize for the
Single-Operator DXpedition that works the most unique callsigns. This award honors the wisdom and spirit of Cass WA6AUD (SK), whose
stories in the West Coast DX Bulletin taught a generation of DXers that DX IS!

Congratulations to Rob ZD9UW on his achievement in winning this year’s award. If you’re interested in competing for or contributing
to the 2013 Cass Award, visit http://www.cassaward.com .

73,

the Cass Award Team (Michael G7VJR, Paul VE1DX, Dave AA6YQ)

20816. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-09 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 20816

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:Issued: 2013 Mar 09 1245 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30309
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 09 Mar 2013, 1241UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 09 Mar 2013 until 11 Mar 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Quiet conditions (<50% probability of C-class flares)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 09 Mar 2013 10CM FLUX: 115 / AP: 008
PREDICTIONS FOR 10 Mar 2013 10CM FLUX: 116 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 11 Mar 2013 10CM FLUX: 117 / AP: 007
COMMENT: Solar activity has been low, C-class flares may occur.
Geomagnetic conditions are quiet and expected to remain so.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 049, BASED ON 06 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 8 Mar 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 115
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 010
AK WINGST : ///
ESTIMATED AP : 004
ESTIMATED ISN : 051, BASED ON 14 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
END
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20817. RE: [Dx-qsl] TX5K

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-10 00:11:21 UTC
From: Ron Notarius W3WN
Topic: 20817 Message: 20817

Something's not right there, Dave. From what I seen in DXA, you're off by a factor of 3 or more.

-----Original Message-----
From: dx-qsl-bounces@... [mailto:dx-qsl-bounces@...]
On Behalf Of Dave Novoa W4DN
Sent: Saturday, March 09, 2013 11:19 AM
To: dxpeditions@...; dx-is@yahoogroups.com; QSL List
Subject: [Dx-qsl] TX5K

DXA shows over 348,000 QSOs by the TX5K team. In that correct? If so, it's an all-time record that will be very difficult to beat.
--Dave, W4DN

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DX-QSL mailing list
Home: http://mailman.qth.net/mailman/listinfo/dx-qsl
Help: http://mailman.qth.net/mmfaq.htm
Post: mailto:DX-QSL@...

This list hosted by: http://www.qsl.net
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20818. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-10 13:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 20818

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:Issued: 2013 Mar 10 1217 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30310
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 10 Mar 2013, 1213UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 10 Mar 2013 until 12 Mar 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >= 50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 10 Mar 2013 10CM FLUX: 116 / AP: 006
PREDICTIONS FOR 11 Mar 2013 10CM FLUX: 118 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 12 Mar 2013 10CM FLUX: 120 / AP: 007
COMMENT: Solar activity has been very low, no C-class flares in past
48h. NOAA AR 1692 is rotating over the east limb now and may increase
activity level in the coming days. Geomagnetic conditions are very
quiet, with a solar wind speed of 315 km/s and an interplanetary
magnetic field around 2 nT, no disturbances are foreseen.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 075, BASED ON 03 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 9 Mar 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 116
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 008
AK WINGST : ///
ESTIMATED AP : 009
ESTIMATED ISN : 059, BASED ON 08 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
END
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20819. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1103

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-10 16:46:38 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 20819 Message: 20819

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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 3rd-March, through Sunday, 10th-March there were 236 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3B9, 3C, 3D2, 3V, 3W, 3X, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5V, 5W, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9Q, 9U, 9V, 9X, 9Y, A2, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C5, C6, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FK, FM, FO, FO/c, FR, FS, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HC8, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J5, J6, J7, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JX, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OJ0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ7, PY, PY0F, PZ, R1FJ, S2, S5, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T5, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TR, TT, TU, TY, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V6, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK9N, VP2E, VP2M, VP2V, VP5, VP6, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VR, VU, XE, XT, XU, XW, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, Z8, ZA, ZB, ZD7, ZD9, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

2012 CASS AWARD WON. Rob Chipperfield, M0VFC, has won the 2012 Single-Operator Cass Award. The Cass Award is an incentive to encourage DX-pedition operating excellence. From the remote South Atlantic island of

Tristan Da Cunha as ZD9UW in October 2012, Rob worked 3362 unique stations over his 4-day DXPedition, demonstrating an outstanding effort to log as many individuals as possible. Michael, G7VJR, presented Rob with his plaque and prize in Cambridge, England on March 7, 2013.
<http://www.cassaward.com/M0VFC_G7VJR.jpg>
ABOUT THE CASS AWARD: Presented annually, the Cass Award encourages DXPeditions to maximize the number of DXers worked with a $1000 prize for the Single-Operator DXpedition that works the most unique callsigns. This award honors the wisdom and spirit of Cass WA6AUD (SK), whose stories in the West Coast DX Bulletin taught a generation of DXers that DX IS! Congratulations to Rob, ZD9UW, on his achievement in winning this year's award. If you're interested in competing for or contributing to the 2013 Cass Award, visit: http://www.cassaward.com
The Cass Award Team (Michael G7VJR, Paul VE1DX, Dave AA6YQ)

4X, ISRAEL. Dimitry, UT5UGR, will be active as 4X/UT5UGR from Israel between March, 15-18th. He will use the callsign 4X0W during his activity in the Russian DX Contest. QSL via UT5UGR.

5H, TANZANIA (IOTA Op). Bodo, DF8DX, will be active as 5H1DX between April 20-28th. Activity will include the activation of several IOTAs (Pemba Island [AF-063] was mentioned). Operations will be on the HF bands and EME. QSL via DF8DX. Look for more details to be forthcoming. Visit his Web page at: http://www.qslnet.de/member/dl3och/index_e.htm

7O6T DXPEDITION VIDEO. Paul, N6PSE, from the Intrepid-DX Group, reports: "The 7O6T Team is glad to announce that our DXpedition video is now available for free download. We have uploaded the video to two different sites where you may view it:
1) You can view the High Definition version of this 12 minute video from this link: https://vimeo.com/61384528
2) You can also view the Standard Definition version of this video embedded on our web page. Please go to <www.intrepid-dx.com> select DXpedition Video, then select 7O6T DXpedition Video at: http://www.intrepid-dx.com/ For SD version.

Thank you for supporting the 7O6T DXpedition to Socotra Yemen."

8Q, MALDIVES. Operators Pai/VU2PAI and Krish/W4VKU will be active as 8Q7KP from Bodufinolhu, South Male Atoll (AS-013), between April 23-30th. Their plans are for 2 stations to be on the air using an Elecraft K3/ Acom 1000 and TS480Sat/Tentec Hercules II, into two Butternut HF9V and a 2 element SteppIR for higher bands. Operators plan to setup an OQRS and also upload logs to LoTW, eQSL and QRZ.com.

9L, SIERRA LEONE. Stephen, G7BXU, is once again planning to be active as 9L1BXU from Freetown this year sometime in December and early January 2014. Activity last time was on 12 and 10 meters using a FT-897 and G5RV. QSL via his home callsign.

9M4, SPRATLY ISLAND (Reminder). Just a reminder that operators John/ 9M6XRO, Steve/9M6DXX, James/9V1YC, Don/G3BJ, Tony/KM0O, Ben/N6MU/DJ0YI,

Pista/HA5AO and George/HA5UK will be active as 9M4SLL from Layang Layang Island (AS-051) between March 10-18th (See OPDX.1095 and OPDX.1101). Look for 9M4SLL to be on the air with five stations simultaneously at peak times, on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. Suggested frequencies are (see Web page below for more details):
CW - 1811.5, 3523, 10110, 14035, 18087, 21035, 24907 and 28035 kHz
SSB - 3780/3803, 7058, 14210, 18165, 21295, 24985 and 28495 kHz
RTTY - 7033/7055, 10132, 14097, 18107, 21097, 24927 and 28097 kHz
QSL via M0URX. For more details and updates, see: http://m0urx.com/9m4sll

C5, THE GAMBIA. Pedro, ON7WP/ AA9HX will once again be active from Gambia, in the Kololi area and also from inland Buntu village, between March 20-27th. He mentions that he just received his permanent license for 2013, and will use the callsign C5WP. Pedro will use a FT-897 into multiple dipole antennas. QSL via ON7WP, only direct. Pedro has plans to be active again later in August. To see some pictures of his last activity, see: http://www.qrz.com/db/C5WP

C9, MOZAMBIQUE. Gert, ZS6AYU, will be active as C91GR from Bilene between May 7-11th. Callsign has been applied for but not yet issued. Activity will be on 40-10 meters using CW only. His equipment is a FT857D with HL-550 amp (400w) into a Cushcraft R7000 vertical. QSL vis his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME (DST). Did you remember to change your clocks? Countries who observe Daylight Saving Time, which took place on Sunday, March 10th at 2:00 AM, were expected to move their "local clocks" forward 1 hour to 3:00:00 AM local time. Daylight Saving Time will end on Sunday, November 3rd at 2:00 AM. For the history and details about DST, as well as an interesting map of the world (showing the countries who observe DST), see: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Daylight_saving_time
ADDED NOTE: Hopefully, all amateur radio operators know not to change their GMT/UTC/ZULU clocks. However, since most operators usually set their computers to local time, some may have to change their settings on "some" ham radio software (ex. logging, propagation, DXTelnet, etc..) programs.

E5, SOUTH COOK ISLANDS. Mauri, AG1LE, will be active as E51DXX on a holiday/ DXpedition from Rarotonga (OC-013) between April 1-13th. Activity will be on the HF bands. QSL via his home callsign.

EH5, SPAIN (Special Event). Members of Team Cartagena will activate special event station EH5SIP between March 17-31st. Operations will be on all bands using SSB and the Digital modes (PSK31, RTTY, SSTV, etc.). Activity is to commemorative the 125th anniversary of the launching of the submarine Isaac Peral. All QSLs will be sent via Bureau, so save your money if you are a member of the QSL Bureau. If not a member, send your QSL and a SAE along with 1 USD or 1 ☐. QSL via EA5HRD, by the Bureau or direct.

FS, ST. MARTIN. Ark, UA4CC, will be active as FS/UA4CC from Saint Martin (NA-105, WLOTA 0383) between March 13-24th. Activity will be only during

his spare time (holiday style) with operations on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB, and RTTY. His equipment is a K2 and KPA500. QSL via his home callsign. If possible, logs will be uploaded to ClubLog. An OQRS is possible after this trip.

H40 & H44, TEMOTU AND SOLOMON ISLANDS (Reminder). By the time you read this, Sigi, DL7DF, and his crew will be active on their 2013 DXpedition which is being called a "Two Entities DXpedition - Solomon 2013". Sigi states on his Web page that they have chosen two destinations. The first destination will be the Guadalcandal (OC-047), Solomon Islands (H44), where the team will sign H44G between March 8-25th. During the time between March 12-23rd, part of the group will be active as H40T from Nendo (OC-100), Temotu Island (H40). Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. Suggested frequencies are as follows:
H44G Frequencies

CW - 1825.5, 3505, 7005, 10115, 14005, 18070, 21005, 24890 and 28005 kHz
SSB - 7100, 14140, 18130, 21240, 24940 and 28400 kHz
RTTY - 10144, 14080, 18100, 21080, 24920 and 28080 kHz
6m - 50103/CW

H40T Frequencies

CW - 1818, 3515, 7015, 10122, 14015, 18077, 21015, 24895 and 28015 kHz
SSB - 7150, 14165, 18140, 21265, 24965 and 28450 kHz
RTTY - 10140, 14093, 18105, 21090, 24925 and 28090 kHz
6m - 50103/CW

They will have several stations on the air. One station on each destination will be exclusively dedicated to RTTY, PSK31 and SSTV. Their station equipment on each destination consists of 4 transceivers (3 x K2, 1 x FT857D), 3 power amplifiers, a lowband vertical for 160/80m, a deltaloop for 40, a deltaloop for 30, a Spiderbeam for 20/17/15/12/10, a 5 element Yagi for 6m, some Beverage antennas as well as some laptop computers. Operators mentioned are:
H44G Crew - Manfred/DK1BT, Wolf/DL4WK, Reiner/DL7KL and Juergen/DL7UFN
H40T Crew - Georg/DK7LX, Sigi/DL7DF, Frank/DL7UFR, Jan/SP3CYY and Leszek/SP3DOI.
Pilot station is Bernd, DF3CB. QSL route is via DL7DF, direct or by the Bureau. For more details and updates, visit: http://www.dl7df.com/h4/index.php

H40, H44 & YJ, SOLOMON ISLANDS, TEMOTU PROVINCE AND VANUATU (Update). Ralph, 5W0W/H44RK, has announced more plans for his upcoming IOTA tour which will start during the first week of June. He has added two operators to join him: Dom/SQ9KWW and Maggie/H44MK (the only local YL Ham). The callsign H40IOTA has been applied for the operation. The plan is to activate the following IOTAs in order as follows (specific dates were not provided):
OC-149 - New Georgia Islands; counts as Solomon Islands.
OC-168 - Russell Islands; counts as Solomon Islands.
OC-047 - Solomon Islands

OC-127 - Rennell Island; counts as Solomon Islands.
OC-285 - Stewart Island [aka Sikaiana Atoll]; never has been activated before; counts as Solomon Islands.
After OC-285, Ralph will continue his trip to Brisbane, Australia, on board the sailboat "SV Hafskip" via through the Temotu Province with plans to activate the following IOTAs as H40RK:
OC-065 - Reef Islands; counts as Temotu Province.
OC-100 - Nendo Island; counts as Temotu Province.
OC-163 - Vanikolo and Utupua Islands; counts as Temotu Province.
After the Temotu Province Islands, Ralph will head to Vanuatu (YJ) and activate two IOTAs there: Torres Island (OC-110) and Banks Island (OC-104). A callsign has not been announced yet for his Vanuatu opertions. Ralph's QSL Manager Rex, NR6M, reports, that Ralph and his team, will be donating much needed supplies and solar lighting packs to each chief of the villages they operate from. The team is requesting donations for their DXpedition, and look forward to you being a part of this trip, whether it be small or large to help support those most in need. If you would like to help, please contact Ralph at <ralph.honiara@...> which is also his PayPal address. Also mentioned, they are still looking to take on board one proficient CW operator for the OC-285 leg of the journey. All QSL requests are via QSL Manager Rex Turvin, NR6M. For updates, it is suggested to watch: http://www.qrz.com/db/H40RK

HG42, HUNGARY (Special Event). Look for special event station HG52FC now active until May 31st. The activity is taking place during the 52nd FIRAC Congress event being held in Hungary. Operations will be on all HF bands using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via HA5BSW, by the HA Bureau, LoTW, EQSL and direct to the address on QRZ.com. The cards will be printed out after May 31st.

IOTA NEWS.............
EU-047. Sebastian, DL1AXX, will be active as homecall/p from Baltrum Island (DID/GIA N-06) between May 20-26th. Activity will be holiday style on the HF bands. QSL via home callsign, direct or by the Bureau. Visit his Web site at: http://www.mydarc.de/dl1axx

NA-174. The "DX-World.net" reports that David, VE3VID, is now active as VY0/VE3VID from the rare Igloolik Island (WW.Loc EP-99). He will be there for the next 3 weeks. Activity will be on SSB and RTTY. On QRZ.com, he also states that he will operate on PSK-31, and possibly more exotic digital modes like OLIVIA and HELL. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

OC-042. Operators Jose/DU1BP, Torsten/DL2KGS and Rag/LA6FJA will be active as DZ1B from Luzon Island during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 30-31st) as a Multi-2 entry. QSL via LoTW.
ADDED NOTE: The CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th) operation mentioned in last week's bulletin is now off.

OC-136. Operators Graham/VK3DOG, Keith/VK3FT and Tony/VK3TZ will be active as homecall/p from Phillip Island between March 15-18th. Activity will be active on all HF bands 160-10 meters using a single transmitter into simple rotatable dipoles on the high bands and full size verticals on 80/40m. On 160m, they will try to have a vertical array (22m tall) with some parasitic elements, beverages and loops for receiving. The trio will be looking especially for Europe on the top band at their sunrise and also Stateside on 75m SSB. They plan to be active approx-imately 20 hours a day, while resting during their off time by surfing, relaxing or sampling some beers or rum.

OC-151. Leo, YC9MLL, who has been live on Flores Island for 8 years, informs OPDX this past week [edited], "...I have also improved my antenna. I put up a 33 ft vertical on top of our roof not with 13 radials (hope to increase it soon from wires recovered from a burnt transformer, hi!). It has an SG-239 auto tuner with a homebrew bias-tee for remote power. I would like to inform you that I am still on OC-151 and I am glad to be of service to any ham who would like to have a QSO. They can always contact me at this e-mail address <yc9mll@...> for a schedule. Or most of the time I operate on Saturdays and Sundays. I can transmit on 160, 80, 40, 20 (up to 14.150 MHz only), 15, and 10 meters. I have an old power supply operating a 22A radio at 100W and the power supply barely can supply the radio's demand. That might explains the often times QSB. I put a car battery in parallel to remedy the situation. I hope I can homebrew the MFJ-4403 like power conditioner. I have most all the materials except for the 25Farad capacitors and the 15KE15A and CL101 parts. I hope to find them soon so that my signal will be more stable. Our island's power is from several big generators in the center of the town. Another thing that I learned from last December was about RFI. There was a Swedish station that was trying to contact me. I cannot simply hear him, and he was using a yagi and a 1KW. There were too many cell phone chargers and other RFI generating devices plugged-in that time on the house power outlets. Now, I homebrewed another MFJ-like RFI filter from my junk box. I cannot have torroids to accommodate the 20-ish turns, but I was able to put in about 8-10 turns and the radio is quieter now, ready for another IOTA chasers round. These are the improvements I had on my 100W set-up. I hope I can reach out to the other IOTA chasers more. I am not a contester or any award chaser... I just have the eQSL eDX on my sight but not really an avid (yet) fan for awards." Leo can operate on CW, SSB, PSK31, RTTY and SSTV. QSL via his home callsign (see QRZ.com).

OC-236. Operators YB8HZ and Ram/YB8BRI will be active as homecall/p from Balang Lompo Islands between March 28-31st. Activity will be on 40/20/17/15/12/10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via YB8BRI.

SA-049. Members of the Radio Club Ushuaia (LU8XW) will activate the special callsign LT5X from Isla Redonda, beginning at 0000z on Saturday, March 23rd, until 1500z on Sunday, March 24th. Activity will be on 80/40/20/15/10 meters using CW, SSB and PSK. QSL via LU8XW. Isla Redonda is a small island in the mouth of the Bahía Lapataia within the Department Ushuaia in Tierra del Fuego, Antarctica and South Atlantic Islands Province. It is surrounded by the waters of the Canal de Beagle and has an area of ??about 50 hectares. Its maximum length is 1022 meters and its maximum width is 840 meters. Its center is located at coordinates: 54 ° 51'49 .26 "S - 68 ° 28'54 .47" W. Grid Loc: FD55ue. On the island is installed a detachment of the Naval Prefecture Argentina that has been there more than 100 years.

JD1, OGASAWARA. Harry, JG7PSJ, will once again be active as JD1BMH from Chichijima Island (AS-031) between April 22nd and May 4th. Activity will be on 40-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via the Bureau to JD1BMH or direct to JG7PSJ. Visit his Web page for more details at: http://sapphire.es.tohoku.ac.jp/jd1bmh

JD1, OGASAWARA. Makoto, JI5RPT, will once again be active as JD1BLY from Chichijima Island (AS-031), Ogasawara, between April 28th and May 4th. Activity will be on 40-6 meters, including the satellites, using CW, SSB and the Digital modes (NO 6m EME). QSL via his home callsign JI5RPT. His log search will be available on his Web site at:
http://www.ji5rpt.com/jd1
He will also use Twitter to inform his real-time activities at:
http://twitter.com/jd1bly

JW, SVALBARD. Ronny, LA3ZPA, is now active as JW3ZPA from the JW5E club station in Longyearbyen on Spitsbergen Island (EU-026) until March 13th. Activity will be on the HF bands. QSL via LA3ZPA. Check out the live Web cameras to see JW5E antennas, shack and harbor at:
http://longyearbyen.livecam360.com/flash/main.php
http://portlongyear.livecam360.com/flash/main.php

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (March 11-17th)....
Mar/11th AN Mar/14th AN Mar/16th AN
Mar/12th AN Mar/15th AN Mar/17th AN
Mar/13th AN

SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS/INDEXES AND GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE
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NORMALITY	GEOMAG K Values	Alpha
AN - Above Normal	Quiet K=0-1	0-7
HN - High Normal	Unsettled K=2	8-15
LN - Low Normal	Active K=3	16-29
BN - Below Normal	Minor Storm K=4	30-49
DIS - Disturbed	Major Storm K=5	50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed	Severe Storm K=6-9	100-400

KH9, WAKE ISLAND (Press Release). Joe, W8GEX, sent out the following press release on March 1st [edited]: "Press Release - Team Leader Lou, N2TU, and the Management Team of Joe/W8GEX, Craig/K9CT, and Joe/AA4NN are proud to announce they are planning a 'Commemorative DXpedition' to a rare DX entity. This DXpedition will be to Wake Atoll (KH9) [OC-053] in October 2013.
Joe and Craig were the co-leaders of the very successful DXpeditions to Swains Island NH8S in 2012, and Sint Maarten PJ7E in 2010. They were also team members of the Midway K4M DXpedition in 2009. AA4NN is a veteran of these as well as many other DXpeditions across the globe. Lou was also a member of the Swains NH8S team.
This operation is a 'Commemorative DXpedition' in that it combines a DXpedition and a commemoration of an event. 98 civilian contractors working for Morrison- Knutsen, lost their lives on the atoll in October 1943. The group has been named the 'Forgotten 98'. Our operation, observing the 70th anniversary of their deaths, will be dedicated to keeping their memory alive and honoring their sacrifice.
Wake Atoll ranks number 15 in 'ClubLog's Most Wanted Entities'. A highly experienced team of 12 operators is being formed. They plan to operate five stations over a 14 day period, 160 to 6 meters on all modes, using a callsign to be announced at a later date.
Team members include Lou/N2TU, Craig/K9CT, Joe/AA4NN, Joe/W8GEX, Jerry/ WB9Z, Tom/ND2T, Mike/K9NW, John/K6MM, Hal/W8HC, Carl/K9CS, Dick/W3OA and Tom/N4XP.
Wake Atoll's access is extremely limited and the time frame is dictated by transportation issues. As such, official dates have not been set, but will be announced as soon as possible. The team will gather in Honolulu and then travel to Wake. Official landing permission has been obtained.
Our website, <www.wake2013.org>, developed by team member John, K6MM, will provide updates as they become available. Later, the group will also have an OQRS link on the website for easy QSLing.
We want to thank Elecraft, who will be supplying K3s and KPA500s for our use. Steppir will be supplying an assortment of versatile antennas, and we appreciate their help. This 'Commemorative Dxpedition' would not happen without the outstanding support of these companies. Others will be added and shown on our website as planning progresses.
Thanks also to Joe, AA4NN, who will be the QSL manager."

MJ, JERSEY. Kazu, JK3GAD, will be active as MJ0CFW from Jersey (EA-013) between March 15-17th. Look for activity in the Russian DX Contest (RDXC) and the BARTG HF RTTY Contest. QSL via LoTW or M0CFW.

P4, ARUBA (Update). Helmut, DF7ZS, will once again be active from Aruba (SA-036) between March 26th and April 3rd, and signing P40Z. Main activity will include the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 30-31st) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. Some casual operations will take place before and after the contest on 17/12 meters. QSL via W3HNK. Watch his home page at: http://www.df7zs.de

PJ4, BONAIRE. Operators Steven/W1SRD and Dean/N6DE will be active as PJ4/homecall from the "Radio House" <http://www.pj4g.com> on Bonaire (SA-006, WLOTA LH-1279) between March 26th and April 1st. They plan to

be active in the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 30-31st) as a Multi-2 entry.
The contest callsign has not been issued yet. Operation before and after
the contest will be focused on RTTY. QSL via LoTW is preferred. Direct
to W1SRD with SASE/return postage for the contest callsign. QSL the QSOs
to their homecalls for contacts outside of the contest.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....................
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated March 8th)

3Z8T via SQ8JX (d) EA8/SA0BJF via SA0BJF LY63S via LY3BY
5Q4B via OZ5EV (d) ED1A via EA1AST N6NY/KH2 via JK1FUP
7P8PB via EI7CC ED4T via EA4CWN NP3CW via EB7DX
7T50ARA via 7X2ARA FG/F6ITD via F6ITD OL8M via OK1DRQ
8N1TW via JA-Bureau G3Y via G3YBY ON4KY via F5VHA
9M2/JG3TTO via 9V1XX H44G via DL7DF PA90CII via PA2LO
9M6/KM0O via KM0O HB9/ON4ANN via ON4ANN RA/DK5JI via DK5JI
A6/PB2T via PB2T HF15UM via SQ9UM SG0X via SM0MLZ
AC2CX/KH2 via JE1JAC HG52FC via HA5BSW SG7A via SM7XEN
AY8A via LU8ADX HS25DX via E20PFE SN8N via SP8KAF
C6AMM via K1CN IB1B via IW1QN T88XC via JA0FKK
C45T via 5B4MF II1IGG via IZ1GJK T88XH via JA0EKI
CT7/DJ5YQ via DJ5YQ II2S via IZ2FOS UK/UA1ZEY via UA1ZEY (d)
CT9/DL3KWF via DL3KWF II9IGA via IT9YEM (d) VI100ACT via (B)
CT9/DL3KWR via DL3KWR II9X via IT9SPB VQ9LW via WA2ALY (d/B)
DQ5X via DK4MH IR8C via IZ8TDP YB6N via YB4IR
E7DX via E77E J47X via SV7BVM YB9/DL5CO via DL5CO
EA5/G8NOF via G8NOF (d) KP4ROS via NP3O YP20ARER via YO6CUF
EA8/DL2MDU via DL2MDU LN9Z via LN9Z
(e) eQSL only (d) direct only (B) Bureau only (L) LoTW only

PIRATE ALERT. Xavier, EA3BHK, reports that a station signing FK8IK on
17m CW was active on March 9th, and was definitely a PIRATE station.
He contacted Mic, FK8IK, and he also states it was a PIRATE.

V73CW QSL INFO. Bruce, V73CW, reports, "Logs have been updated to LoTW.
If you prefer a QSL, please send DIRECT w/SASE to my home callsign AC4G."

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 3D2C, 3D2NB, 3D2RX, 3Z5N, 4A1TD, 4Z4DX, 8P6NW,
9U4U, A5A, A45XR, C5YK, C6AKQ, C6ANM, CE3FZ, CO2RVA, CR3A, CT1CJJ,
DF2SD, DL2IAN, DL3GD, DL8CFL, DM5BB, EA3CI, EA3KU, EA8MT, EB3CW, ED1R,
EE8T, EF1W, EF7X, EF8R, EI3KG, EI80IRTS, ES9A, ES9C, EY8MM, FG/F6ITD,
FP/VE3DZ, FY5KE, G3XTT, GM100C, H44KW, HF9Q, HG7T, HK1NA, HK3C, HK3TU,
HQ2N, I4LEC, II2E, IK2YCW, J35X, JA1BNL, JT1CO, KH7X, KL7AIR, KL7RA,
KP2/K0BBC, KP2MM, LA5VSA, LA5XGA, LU1FAM, LU3DAT, LX7I, NH7A, OA4SS,
OE1ZL, OE2013S, OL7M, P40L, PA1AW, PI4DX, PJ2/VE7ACN, PJ2T, PV8RF,
PY0FM, PY1ON, PY2OE, PY4ZE, R7DX, RM8W, S57AL, SJ2W, SO8T, SP2Y, T88TW,
TM7X, UA1ANR, V31TP, V31Y, VE2SG, VE3AXW, VP5/K0UU, VP9NL, WP2XX,
VQ5RP, WP3DX, WP3A, XE1H, XE2B, XE7S, XU7ACQ, YN5Z, YU15OTC, YY4DNN,
ZF2LC and ZZ2T

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 4K12SONG, 5T0SP, 5U5U, 5U6E, 6W/M1KTA, 6Y3M, 8R1AK, 9J2BO, EG5PSP/mm, EP3SMH, FK/JK1KSB, HI3/N2YDD, HI3K, HT9H, JD1BMH, KH8/M1KTA, OD5NJ, PA2M, RI1ANF, S79QT, T30PY, UK9AA, WA2YUN/KH9, XF1F, XU1A and ZL9HR

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: NONE REPORTED THIS WEEK!

T2, TUVALU (Update/Reminder). Operators Gavin/GM0GAV, Clive/GM3POI, Robert/GM3YTS and Tom/GM4FDM will be active as T2GM from the Vaiaku Lagi Hotel on the lagoon side of Fongafale islet, Funafuti Atoll (OC-015) between March 12-23rd. Activity will be 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. Suggested frequencies are:
CW - *1826.5, 3506, 7009, 10104, 14019, 18076, 21019, 24896 and 28019 kHz
SSB - 3790, 7079/7179, 14145, 18139, 21269, 24949 and 28469 kHz
RTTY - 7040, 10145, 18099, 21079, 24919 and 28079 kHz
* Up 3 kHz/World and Down 3 kHz JA
They will have two stations with Elecraft K3 and 500w amps using vertical antennas placed either in or at the edge of the lagoon. If the InterNet is available, logs will be uploaded to ClubLog and LoTW. QSL Manager will be GM4FDM (QRZ.com), direct or by the Bureau. A OQRS will be available via ClubLog. A Web Blog page is also available at: http://t2gm.org

T48, CUBA. Members of the "Las Tunas Contest Crew", T48K, will be active during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 30-31st) as a Multi-Single entry from the north coast of Las Tunas Province. Operators mentioned are Hugo/F5FYO who will be a guest operator, and the rest of the crew includes Alex/CO8KA, Alejandro/CM8AKY, Doug/CO8DM, Del/CO8DRG and Raúl/CO8ZZ. QSL for this operation will be via F5FYO.

T5, SOMALIA. Tevfik, TA1HZ, will be travelling to Mogadishu to be a part of a Turkish team on a humanitarian mission called Yeryuzu Doktorlari (Doctors Worldwide - see <https://yyd.org.tr>) between March 23rd and April 4th. As a doctor, his work is primary, but during his free time, Tevfik hopes to be active as T5TC (callsign to be assigned). Activity will be on all HF bands, depending on band conditions, using a Kenwood TS-480 and Windom antenna. Tevfik also plans to be in the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 30-31st) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL via TA1HZ, only direct, by the Bureau or LoTW and eQSL. QSL cards will be printed late May. See QRZ.com for more info. PLEASE NOTE: Bureau QSLs and uploading the log to LoTW/Eqsl will be done after direct requests are fulfilled! Also, any donations for the hospital and food distrubition centers can be sent via: https://www.yyd.org.tr/bagis/index.php

TX5, CLIPPERTON ISLAND (Update). The TX5K team on Clipperton Island is now QRT, and they are packing things up to leave the island or probably have left the island already. Here is a quick summary of things from the TX5K Blog page that took place over the past weekend:
* Bob, KK6EK, reported on March 8th on the TX5K Blog page [edited], "According to the schedule we will pack on Sunday, March 10th and Monday, March 11th. If we are able to leave the island on Monday, we will keep the schedule given on the website."
* Early Friday, March 8th, the TX5K team hit the 100k QSOs mark around

1213z.
* Then late Friday, March 8th, the team started some teardown early. The TX5K team announced, "We have decided to dismantle site B (mostly CW) today and pack it for transport to the boat. Site A will remain operating for at least a day, perhaps longer. Exact shutdown time is not yet determined."
* However, the TX5K team did go QRT at 0000z, Sunday, March 10th. As this was being written on March 10th, TX5K QSOs totals are as follows: 113844 QSOs (60227/CW, 45030/SSB and 8587/Digi)
QSL via the OQRS by ClubLog (Highly Recommended). This is the preferred method to use for your QSL confirmation. After the DXpedition ends you can order either a direct or Bureau QSL card using the OQRS online QSL service provided by ClubLog. Using this convenient online method you can easily apply for their QSL card to be sent directly to your home or via the Bureau....without having to send your QSL card at all. Direct QSLs are via Bob Schenck N2OO and the SJDXA QSL team: QSL Manager for TX5K, PO Box 345, Tuckerton, NJ 08087-0345, USA. Also, remember to use the DXA Web site <http://www.dxa2.org/> which allows DXers to view the QSO log, and the status and activities of the DXpedition in near-real-time. The TX5K's Web page is at <http://tx5k.org>. For updates, use the BLOG at: http://www.ky6r.com

V3, BELIZE. Operators Ron/WB1EAZ and XYL Elaine/KA1UCC will be active as V31RT and V31BE, respectively, from Belize between March 13-20th. Activity will be SSB with a focus on Europe, Oceania and Asia. QSL via WB1EAZ.

V7, MARSHALL ISLANDS. Tatsuhiko "Ted", JF1CCH, will be active as V73TS from Majuro Island (OC-029) resort hotel between March 21-26th. Activity will be mainly CW and the HF bands, 40-10 meters, and using a Delta Loop antenna. Power on 12 and 10 meters will be 100w, and 15 meters and down 400w. QSL via his home callsign and eQSL.

VK9C, COCOS KEELING ISLANDS (Web Page Updated). The VK9CA Web page has been updated for the operation to Cocos Keeling Island (OC-003) which will take place between March 30th and April 13th (see OPDX.1102). The Web page can be viewed at: http://www.vk9cz.com
Operator Keith, GM4YXI, has added a 4.8MB Powerpoint presentation to the Web page (under Latest news) with propagation charts for different parts of the world to VK9CZ which can be viewed or downloaded.

VK9L, LORD HOWE ISLAND. Oliver, W6NV, informs OPDX that he will be at Lord Howe Island between April 10-14th, to see the sights and join Seppo, OH1VR for some casual operations. Oliver has obtained the VK9LT callsign for his Lord Howe Island operation which was approved for re-issue by the WIA effective April 1st, 2013. He mentions, "We have confirmed reservations, however, the equipment logistics and propagation will be the determining factors." Seppo will operate as VK9/OH1VR between April 11-16th. Direct QSLs for VK9LT (operations for 2013 only) are to be sent to W6NV. QSL VK9/OH1VR via OH1VR only direct. More later on bands and modes, when equipment logistics is firm. ADDED NOTE: Look for them

to possibly participate in the Japan International DX Contest and the Yuri Gagarin International DX Contest over the weekend of April 13-14th.

ZD8, ASCENSION ISLAND. Mick, G1EUZ, will be active as ZD8RAF from Ascension Island between March 18-22nd. He will be taking an IC-7000, and a Vertical Horizontal dipole. He hope to make many contacts, especially with some fellow RAFARS members. QSL via his home callsign.

ZL7, CHATHAM ISLANDS (Update/Reminder). Jim, ZL1LC, will be active this week as ZL7LC from Chatham Island (OC-038) between March 14-20th, as a micro DXpedition and running PSK31 only (see OPDX.1094 and OPDX.1101). He informed OPDX on Saturday: "We are almost ready to go. We arrive late Thursday (0400z, March 14th) and will get the Windom up before dark so that I have an antenna for the night. The QRZ.com Web page for ZL7LC is up-to-date with all the info. PSK31 only. I'm using EB7DX as my QSL Manager and there is a note about donations, if you so desire. The propagation conditions aren't brilliant. However, a couple of days ago, when the 10 meter forecast was POOR, there was a 10 meter opening from here into the USA and Asia for an hour or so. There was a slow deep fade, but you could work stations if you were quick. Look forward to catching you on the bands." Jim's rigs will be an Icom 7200 and 7000 with vertical antennas operating on 7035, 14070, 21070 and 28120 kHz. Remember, his QSL Manager will be EB7DX and direct (w/2 green stamps and SAE). NO Bureau QSLs. For more details and an online log (ClubLog), see QRZ.com.

ZS8, MARION ISLAND (Update). Pierre, ZS1HF/ZS8M, informs OPDX that two radio amateurs will be part of the over wintering team and will be active on Marion Island between May 2013 to April 2014. Look for the following operators:

ZS8C - Carson, ZR6CWI, has been appointed as the Space Weather Engineer and is employed for the next year by the SA National Space Agency (SANSA).

ZS8Z - David, ZS1BCE, has finally been appointed as the radio technician. His appointment was delayed due to a clerical error.

Pierre states that the expected modes will mainly be SSB and the Digital modes. They may only use the existing commercial broadband HF antenna. Their QSL Manager is ZS1HF. More info will be posted on their respective QRZ.com sites once they have been created. They expect this info to be made available within the next 2 weeks. All inquiries are via ZS1HF at this stage.

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20820. Ohio/Penn DX Special Bulletin #1103.1

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-10 23:07:08 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 20820 Message: 20820

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BID: $OPDX.1103.1
March 10, 2013
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

Thanks to the Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society, Northern Ohio DX Association, Ohio/Penn PacketCluster Network, AB5K & the AR TelNet Clusters Network and the T2GM Web page for the following DX information.

T2, TUVALU (Update/Cancelled). Operators Gavin/GM0GAV, Clive/GM3POI, Robert/GM3YTS and Tom/GM4FDM, who were expected to be active as T2GM from the Funafuti Atoll (OC-015) between March 12-23rd, have announced on March 10th, the following on their Web page [excerpts/edited]: "Three of the team (Rob/GM3YTS, Gav/GM0GAV and Tom/GM4FDM) had extremely bad luck when their outward flight from Glasgow was cancelled due to an undercarriage problem. This had a knock-on effect for others flights they were due to catch, especially the connection from Fiji to Tuvalu which is now fully booked for the week ahead. They are very unhappy but nothing they can do about it. With Clive, GM3POI, already on route to Fiji they have now decided to be operational from there, probably starting activities on Wednesday, March 13th. [This blog will re-focus on their Fiji expedition and will update with callsign(s) and further info]."
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20821. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-11 13:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 20821

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20822. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-11 15:38:53 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 20822

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:Issued: 2013 Mar 11 1202 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30311
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 11 Mar 2013, 1134UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 11 Mar 2013 until 13 Mar 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Quiet conditions (<50% probability of C-class flares)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 11 Mar 2013 10CM FLUX: 115 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 12 Mar 2013 10CM FLUX: 115 / AP: 004
PREDICTIONS FOR 13 Mar 2013 10CM FLUX: 116 / AP: 004
COMMENT: There are currently 6 (NOAA) numbered Active Regions on the
solar disc, but solar activity is low. AR NOAA 1689 has an Eai McIntosh
classification and could produce some flaring activity. Solar wind speed
is slow, around 315 km/s and the interplanetary magnetic field Bz
component is between 0 and 5 nT. Solar activity is expected to remain
quiet.
Geomagnetic activity was quiet to moderate and is expected to remain so
for the next 48 hours.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 070, BASED ON 06 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 10 Mar 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 119
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 014
AK WINGST : ///
ESTIMATED AP : 005
ESTIMATED ISN : 066, BASED ON 08 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
END
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20823. PY0ZSB 1982

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-11 17:21:41 UTC
From: KQ8M
Topic: 20823 Message: 20823

Just got PY0ZSB confirmed from 1982 on LOTW. This guy entering paper logs is sure moving along.

73,

Tim Herrick, KQ8M

Charter Member North Coast Contesters

kq8m@...

AR-Cluster V6 kq8m.no-ip.org

User Ports: 23, 7373 with local skimmer, 7374 without local skimmer

Server Ports: V6 3607, V4 Active 3605, V4 Passive 3606

20824. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-12 13:01:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 20824

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:Issued: 2013 Mar 12 1205 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30312
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 12 Mar 2013, 1144UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 12 Mar 2013 until 14 Mar 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >= 50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 12 Mar 2013 10CM FLUX: 121 / AP: 005
PREDICTIONS FOR 13 Mar 2013 10CM FLUX: 120 / AP: 004
PREDICTIONS FOR 14 Mar 2013 10CM FLUX: 122 / AP: 004
COMMENT: Solar conditions were quiet in the past 24 hours featuring one
C1.6 flare originating from AR NOAA 1689. A still ongoing long duration
C2.1 flare is detected by GOES which is associated with a filament
eruption around AR NOAA 1690 and NOAA 1691. It is not yet confirmed if
the CME is Earth bound. Solar activity is expected to be quiet to
eruptive. The interplanetary magnetic field Bz component is low (-5 to 0
nT) and solar wind speed is around 320 km/s.
Geomagnetic conditions are quiet and are expected to remain so for the
next 48 hours.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 074, BASED ON 12 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 11 Mar 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 120
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 006
AK WINGST : 007
ESTIMATED AP : 006
ESTIMATED ISN : 076, BASED ON 15 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
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20825. 9M4SLL

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-12 16:04:49 UTC
From: KQ8M
Topic: 20825 Message: 20825

Just received 9M4SLL via LOTW. Boy, those guys are quick!

73,

Tim Herrick, KQ8M

Charter Member North Coast Contesters

kq8m@...

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Server Ports: V6 3607, V4 Active 3605, V4 Passive 3606

20826. Re: [DX-IS] 9M4SLL

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-12 16:07:30 UTC
From: Richard Solomon
Topic: 20825 Message: 20826

When did you make the Q ?

73, Dick, W1KSZ

On Tue, Mar 12, 2013 at 9:04 AM, KQ8M <kq8m@...> wrote:

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20827. RE: [DX-IS] 9M4SLL

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-12 16:26:09 UTC
From: KQ8M
Topic: 20825 Message: 20827

The 10th at 2358

73,

Tim Herrick, KQ8M

Charter Member North Coast Contesters

kq8m@...

AR-Cluster V6 kq8m.no-ip.org

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Richard Solomon
Sent: Tuesday, March 12, 2013 12:08 PM
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20828. Re: [DX-IS] 9M4SLL

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-12 16:37:51 UTC
From: Richard Solomon
Topic: 20825 Message: 20828

Thanks,

73, Dick, W1KSZ

On Tue, Mar 12, 2013 at 9:26 AM, KQ8M <kq8m@kq8m.com> wrote:

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20829. Re: [DX-IS] 9M4SLL

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-12 16:37:59 UTC
From: iain macdonnell - N6ML
Topic: 20825 Message: 20829

My 9M4SLL QSOs up to 0009Z today (last night, local time) confirmed in LotW. QSO at 1355Z (this morning) not there yet. The last QSO in Club Log is 0244Z, so perhaps they uploaded the same log to LotW.

~iain / N6ML

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> Tim Herrick, KQ8M
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> Charter Member North Coast Contesters
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> kq8m@...m
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> AR-Cluster V6 kq8m.no-ip.org
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> User Ports: 23, 7373 with local skimmer, 7374 without local skimmer
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> Server Ports: V6 3607, V4 Active 3605, V4 Passive 3606
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20830. Re: [DX-IS] 9M4SLL

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-12 16:50:16 UTC
From: iain macdonnell - N6ML
Topic: 20825 Message: 20830

See also https://twitter.com/M0URX (confirmed - up to 0244Z uploaded,
more expected tomorrow).

~iain / N6ML

On Tue, Mar 12, 2013 at 9:37 AM, iain macdonnell - N6ML <ar@...> wrote:
> My 9M4SLL QSOs up to 0009Z today (last night, local time) confirmed in
> LotW. QSO at 1355Z (this morning) not there yet. The last QSO in Club
> Log is 0244Z, so perhaps they uploaded the same log to LotW.
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> ~iain / N6ML
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> On Tue, Mar 12, 2013 at 9:26 AM, KQ8M <kq8m@...> wrote:
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>> The 10th at 2358
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>> 73,
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>> Tim Herrick, KQ8M
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>> Charter Member North Coast Contesters
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>> kq8m@...
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>> AR-Cluster V6 kq8m.no-ip.org
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>> User Ports: 23, 7373 with local skimmer, 7374 without local skimmer
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>> Server Ports: V6 3607, V4 Active 3605, V4 Passive 3606
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>> From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of
>> Richard Solomon
>> Sent: Tuesday, March 12, 2013 12:08 PM
>> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
>> Subject: Re: [DX-IS] 9M4SLL
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>> When did you make the Q ?
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>> 73, Dick, W1KSZ
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>> On Tue, Mar 12, 2013 at 9:04 AM, KQ8M <kq8m@kq8m.com> wrote:
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>> Just received 9M4SLL via LOTW. Boy, those guys are quick!
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>> 73,
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>> Tim Herrick, KQ8M
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>> Charter Member North Coast Contesters
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>> User Ports: 23, 7373 with local skimmer, 7374 without local skimmer
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>> Server Ports: V6 3607, V4 Active 3605, V4 Passive 3606
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20831. Paper QSL's

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-13 03:15:21 UTC
From: dale cole
Topic: 20831 Message: 20831

In January I sent some paper qsl's and also uploaded many of my LoTW matches. It appears the LoTW matches have already been credited, but does not look like the paper have been processed. Am I expecting too short of time? I do have signed receipt, but still don't like not having them in my grubby hands. Just makes me real nervous. And (DUH) I did not write down
where the q's were from
Dale K8TS

20832. Re: [DX-IS] Paper QSL's

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-13 03:20:17 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 20831 Message: 20832

On 3/13/2013 12:15 AM, dale cole wrote:
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> In January I sent some paper qsl's and also uploaded many of my LoTW
> matches. It appears the LoTW matches have already been credited, but
> does not look like the paper have been processed. Am I expecting too
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> where the q's were from
> Dale K8TS
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If they process the LoTW ones they will ding you for the paper cards as a dupe. Think a 15-cent processing fee. That's the trouble with hybrid applications.

But . . . I understand the concern is sending the cards when you don't have to, not so much the minor handling charge.

73, Paul VE1DX

20833. Re: [DX-IS] Paper QSL's

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-13 04:00:24 UTC
From: dale cole
Topic: 20831 Message: 20833

Only non-LoTW qsl's were sent. Maybe they holding up the physical processing
until 2012 ap's are finished?
Maybe should drop a line to make sure that is the case?
Dale K8TS

From: Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tue, March 12, 2013 11:20:19 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Paper QSL's

On 3/13/2013 12:15 AM, dale cole wrote:
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> matches. It appears the LoTW matches have already been credited, but
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> I did not write down
> where the q's were from
> Dale K8TS
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73, Paul VE1DX

20834. Re: [DX-IS] Paper QSL's

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-14 00:23:53 UTC
From: KD0Q-Glenn
Topic: 20831 Message: 20834

You're in the queue - see http://www.arrl.org/dxcc-applications-received
73, Glenn - KD0Q

On 3/12/2013 11:00 PM, dale cole wrote:
> Only non-LoTW qsl's were sent. Maybe they holding up the physical
> processing until 2012 ap's are finished?
> Maybe should drop a line to make sure that is the case?
> Dale K8TS
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> *From:* Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...>
> *To:* DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> *Sent:* Tue, March 12, 2013 11:20:19 PM
> *Subject:* Re: [DX-IS] Paper QSL's
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> On 3/13/2013 12:15 AM, dale cole wrote:
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> > In January I sent some paper qsl's and also uploaded many of my LoTW
> > matches. It appears the LoTW matches have already been credited, but
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> with hybrid applications.
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> don't have to, not so much the minor handling charge.
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> 73, Paul VE1DX
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20835. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-13 13:01:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 20835

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:Issued: 2013 Mar 13 1226 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30313
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 13 Mar 2013, 1147UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 13 Mar 2013 until 15 Mar 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >= 50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 13 Mar 2013 10CM FLUX: 125 / AP: 003
PREDICTIONS FOR 14 Mar 2013 10CM FLUX: 127 / AP: 004
PREDICTIONS FOR 15 Mar 2013 10CM FLUX: 129 / AP: 015
COMMENT: Solar activity has been eruptive featuring several C-flares
where two long duration flares where accompanied by CME's. Solar
activity is expected to remain eruptive for the next 24 hours.
The first CME was detected by SOHO on March 12th 11:00 UT and
originated from AR NOAA 1690 with a long duration C2.0 flare at 10:17 UT.
This halo CME with an angular width around 170 degrees might give Earth
a glancing blow as seen in STEREO A & B. traveling at an estimated speed
of 537 km/s it would reach Earth on Friday March 15th 21:00 UT. A second
eruption took place after a long duration flare in AR NOAA 1692, but at
the time of writing there is insufficient data available to provide more
details.
Solar wind speed is at a slow 315 km/s and the interplanetary magnetic
field Bz component has near zero values.
Geomagnetic activity was quiet to moderate and is expected to remain so
for the next 48 hours after which it might reach storm conditions due to
the CME of March 12th 11:00 UT.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 080, BASED ON 09 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 12 Mar 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 156
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 123
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : ///
AK WINGST : 008
ESTIMATED AP : 006
ESTIMATED ISN : 076, BASED ON 18 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
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20836. ZL9HR QSL card arrived Mar 13, 2013

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-13 14:14:03 UTC
From: Frank T Brady
Topic: 20836 Message: 20836

Just a FYI for those waiting
Gorgeous card as advertised
73 frank w0ecs

20837. Re: [DX-IS] Paper QSL's

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-13 14:55:52 UTC
From: dale cole
Topic: 20831 Message: 20837

Glenn;
Never thought to look there--probably because the LoTW had been processed and most inportantly It dawned on me that I made that post around mid-nite and my brain cells were starting to wain. Don't understand the three posts on queue, just have to wait. At least I know they made it.
Dale K8TS

From: KD0Q-Glenn <kd0q@traer.net>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wed, March 13, 2013 8:25:12 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Paper QSL's

You're in the queue - see http://www.arrl.org/dxcc-applications-received
73, Glenn - KD0Q

On 3/12/2013 11:00 PM, dale cole wrote:

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>until 2012 ap's are finished?
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>Dale K8TS
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From: Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...t>
>To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
>Sent: Tue, March 12, 2013 11:20:19 PM
>Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Paper QSL's
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>On 3/13/2013 12:15 AM, dale cole wrote:
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>73, Paul VE1DX
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20838. Animal Farm

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-14 11:38:18 UTC
From: kh2d2
Topic: 20838 Message: 20838

I found 9M4SLL CQ'ing, all by his lonesome self, this morning on 40 CW. I even got to call him a couple times before one of the skimmers found him.

I'm not at all surprised that a bunch of people showed up immediately to try and work him, but I was amazed at the number of QRM'ers and UpUpUp Cops that were set up and in business less than a minute after the first spot.

It appears we no longer have just an army of frustrated DX'ers but a bunch of people who are sitting around watching for somebody to QRM on the cluster. Sad. Very sad.

On a happier note, the JA's were banging in on 40 this morning, don't think I've ever heard them this loud here.

73, Jim KH2D

20839. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-14 13:01:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 20839

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:Issued: 2013 Mar 14 1145 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30314
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 14 Mar 2013, 1142UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 14 Mar 2013 until 16 Mar 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Quiet conditions (<50% probability of C-class flares)
GEOMAGNETISM : Minor geomagnetic storm expected (A>=30 or K=5)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 14 Mar 2013 10CM FLUX: 126 / AP: 003
PREDICTIONS FOR 15 Mar 2013 10CM FLUX: 127 / AP: 014
PREDICTIONS FOR 16 Mar 2013 10CM FLUX: 125 / AP: 016
COMMENT: Solar activity was quiet with only 2 small C flares in the
last 24 hours, however activity is expected to be more eruptive for the
next 24 hours.
Solar wind speed is slow around 320 km/s and interplanetary magnetic
field Bz component is around -2 nT.
Geomagnetic activity was quiet, but moderate to storm conditions are
expected on Friday March 15th around 21:00 UT due to the arrival of the
CME detected by LASCO C2 on March 12th around 11:00 UT.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 083, BASED ON 16 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 13 Mar 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 123
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 005
AK WINGST : 004
ESTIMATED AP : 004
ESTIMATED ISN : 074, BASED ON 22 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
END
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20840. ARLD011 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-14 22:04:20 UTC
From: jjreisert@...
Topic: 2226 Message: 20840

SB DX @ ARL $ARLD011
ARLD011 DX news

ZCZC AE11
QST de W1AW
DX Bulletin 11 ARLD011
>From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT March 14, 2013
To all radio amateurs

SB DX ARL ARLD011
ARLD011 DX news

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by NC1L, QRZ DX, The Weekly DX, the OPDX Bulletin, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, DXNL, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

SPRATLY ISLANDS. Members of the Borneo Amateur Radio Club are QRV as 9M4SLL from Pulau Layang Layang, IOTA AS 051, until March 18. Activity is on 160 to 10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY with five stations active. QSL via M0URX.

ISRAEL, 4X. Dimitry, UT5UGR is QRV as 4X/UT5UGR until March 18. This includes being active as 4X0W in the Russian DX contest. QSL both calls to home call.

SENEGAL, 6W. Hans, PB2T will be QRV as 6W/PB2T from March 17 to 21. QSL to home call.

MALDIVES, 8Q. Noel, F6BGC will be QRV as 8Q7NC from Rihiveli, South Male Atoll, IOTA AS-013, from March 19 to 29. Activity will be holiday style on 40 to 6 meters using mostly SSB with some CW and RTTY. QSL to home call.

THE GAMBIA, C5. Pedro, ON7WP will be QRV as C5WP from the Kololi area and also from the inland Buntu village from March 20 to 27. Activity will be on the HF bands. QSL direct to home call.

SPAIN, EA. Members of Team Cartagena will be QRV with special event call sign EH5SIP from March 17 to 31 to commemorate the 125th anniversary of the launching of the submarine Isaac Peral. Activity will be on the HF bands using SSB, RTTY, SSTV and PSK31. QSL via EA5HRD.

IRAN, EP. Mohsen, EP3SMH has been active on 20 and 15 meters between 1500 to 1600z using RTTY. QSL direct to home call.

JERSEY, GJ. Kazu, M0CFW is QRV as MJ0CFW until March 17. This includes entries in the Russian DX and BARTG HF RTTY contests. QSL to home call.

TEMOTU PROVINCE, H40. A group of operators are QRV as H40T from Nendo Island, IOTA OC-100, until March 23. Activity is on 160 to 6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via DL7DF.

LITHUANIA, LY. Special event station LY63S is active during the month of March in remembrance of the 150th anniversary of the Polish-Lithuanian uprising against Russia. QSL via LY3BY.

HUNGARY, HA. Special event station HG52FC is QRV until May 31 during the 52nd FIRAC Congress event being held in Hungary. Activity is on the HF bands using CW, SSB and various digital modes. QSL via HA5BSW.

ECUADOR, HC. Rick, NE8Z will be QRV as HC1MD from March 21 to April 11. Activity will be on 40 to 10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via K8LJG.

ARGENTINA, LU. Members of the Radio Club Ushuaia will be QRV as LT5X from Isla Redonda, IOTA SA-049, on March 23 and 24. Activity will be with three stations on 80 to 10 meters using CW, SSB and PSK31. QSL via LU8XW.

TURKEY, TA. Special event station TC18M will be QRV from March 16 to 18 in remembrance of the Naval Victory of March 18, 1915. QSL via bureau.

MARSHALL ISLANDS, V7. Ted, JF1CCH will be QRV as V73TS from March 21 to 26. Activity will be on 40 to 10 meters using mostly CW. QSL to home call.

CANADA, VE. David, VE3VID is QRV as VY0/VE3VID from Igloolik Island, IOTA NA-174, for the next three weeks. Activity is on the HF bands using SSB, RTTY, PSK31, Olivia and Feld-Hell. QSL to home call.

AUSTRALIA, VK. Members of the Canberra Region Amateur Radio Club are QRV as VI100ACT during the 100th anniversary celebration of Canberra. QSL via VK1ACA.

ASCENSION ISLAND, ZD8. Mick, G1EUZ plans to be QRV as ZD8RAF from March 18 to 22. Activity will be on the HF bands. QSL to home call.

CHATHAM ISLANDS, ZL7. Jim, ZL1LC is QRV as ZL7LC until March 20. Activity is on the HF bands using only PSK31. QSL direct to EB7DX.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The BARTG HF RTTY Contest, North American SSB Sprint, QRP CW Fox Hunt, NCCC RTTY Sprint, NCCC Sprint, SARL VHF/UHF Analogue/Digital Contest, Russian DX Contest, Oklahoma QSO Party, AGCW VHF/UHF CW Contest, Virginia QSO Party, Feld Hell

Sprint and the UBA Spring 2-Meter Contest will certainly keep contesters busy this upcoming weekend. The Run for the Bacon QRP CW Contest and Bucharest Contest are scheduled for March 18. The CLARA HF Contest is scheduled for March 19. The QRP CW Fox Hunt is scheduled for March 20. Please see March QST, page 84, and the ARRL and WA7BNM Contest websites for details.
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20841. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-15 13:01:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 20841

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:Issued: 2013 Mar 15 1127 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30315
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 15 Mar 2013, 1105UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 15 Mar 2013 until 17 Mar 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >= 50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Minor geomagnetic storm expected (A>=30 or K=5)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 15 Mar 2013 10CM FLUX: 125 / AP: 015
PREDICTIONS FOR 16 Mar 2013 10CM FLUX: 126 / AP: 009
PREDICTIONS FOR 17 Mar 2013 10CM FLUX: 127 / AP: 004
COMMENT: Solar activity featured one M1.2 flare originating from NOAA
1692 on March 15th 07:00 UT. Activity is expected to remain eruptive for
the next 24 hours.
A full halo CME was detected by SOHO LASCO C2 on Friday, March 15th at
07:12 UT which was a result of the above mentioned M1.2 flare. This CME
has an angular width of almost 360 degrees and an estimated speed of 710
km/s. Estimated arrival on Earth is Monday, March 18th around 13:00 UT.
Solar wind speed has increased to around 450 km/s and interplanetary
magnetic field Bz component is around 5 nT.
Geomagnetic conditions were quiet to moderate, but is expected to
increase to active or storm conditions this evening with the arrival of
the CME seen in SOHO LASCO C2 Tuesday, March 12th at 11:00 UT.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 085, BASED ON 03 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 14 Mar 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 123
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : ///
AK WINGST : 004
ESTIMATED AP : 005
ESTIMATED ISN : 086, BASED ON 21 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
15 0546 0658 0835 N11E12 M 16 1692 Full halo CME
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20842. 425 DX News - #1141

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-15 18:12:33 UTC
From: r_brothers
Topic: 20842 Message: 20842

16 March 2013 A.R.I. DX Bulletin
No 1141
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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** DX INFORMATION ****
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Edited by I1JQJ & IK1ADH
Direttore Responsabile I2VGW

8Q - Noel, F6BGC will be active as 8Q7NC from the Maldives (AS-013) on 19-29 March. He plans to operate holiday style on 40-6m with 100w and a vertical, using mostly SSB with some CW and RTTY. Further information can be found at http://f8kcf.free.fr/. QSL via F6BGC, direct or bureau, and LoTW. [TNX F6BGC]
A3 - Jacek, SP5EAQ will be active as A3EAQ from Tongatapu (OC-049), Tonga from 26 March to 16 April. He will operate SSB only on 80-10 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. Further information and logsearch will be available at http://sp5drh.com/a3eaq/ [TNX NG3K]
CE - Jose, CE8DMT expects to be QRV from Navarino Island (SA-050) on 23 and 24 March Look for him on 21277 kHz at 13.30-15.30 UTC and on 28477 kHz at 16-17 UTC. QSL via home call. [TNX DX World]
E5 - Andy, AB7FS (E51AND) is moving to Rarotonga (OC-013), South Cook Islands. "If all goes as planned I should have a good gain antenna system", he says, "and I may try for Palmerston (OC-124, North Cooks) or possibly Pukapuka (OC-098, North Cooks) in July or August, this time with better preparation and hopefully a Hexbeam". According to his qrz.com page, after 15 April cards should be sent to Andy Duncan, P.O. Box 618, Avarua, Rarotonga, Cook Islands.
E6 - Alan, VK4WR (E6RQ) and Graeme, VK4FI (E6SG) will be active from Niue (OC-040) on 22-29 March. Their main focus will be on 6 metres. QSL both calls via VK4FI. [TNX DX World]
EI - Olivier, ON4EI will be active as EI8GQB from Fethard, Ireland (EU-115) from 24 March to 3 April using an hybrid wind-solar power system (see www.qrz.com/db/EI8GQB) from his caravan. He will participate in the CQ WW WPX SSB Contest as EI1A. QSL for both callsigns via bureau to ON4EI.
FH - Hartwig, DL7BC (www.qslnet.de/dl7bc) will be active again from Mayotte (AF-027) between 26 March and 12 April. Until 9 April he will be QRV as TO7BC (including an entry in the CQWW WPX SSB Contest), after that he might operate as FH/DL7BC. QSL via home call, direct or bureau.
GM - The Camb-Hams (http://dx.camb-hams.com) will be active again as GS3PYE/p from the Isle of Mull (EU-008) on 10-16 May. A large

group of operators will be QRV with five stations on 600 (472 kHz)-10 metres, as well as on 6m, 4m, 2m EME and some 70cm. QSL via M0VFC (OQRS on Club Log). [TNX rsgbiota.org]
H40 - Part of the H44G team was expected to go and operate as H40T from Temotu Province on 12-23 March [425DXN 1139]. However, several flights to Santa Cruz were cancelled due to bad weather conditions, and they were able to get bookings for 16 March, to be confirmed on the 15th. As some operators "are bound to fixed return flight dates", the new H40T team will include DL4WK, DL7DF, DL7UFR and SP3DOI. Check http://dl7df.com/h4/news.php for updates.
H44 - The June 2013 Solomon Islands IOTA Tour [425DXN 1140] has become "The 3C Project" (Connect, Communicate, Coordinate): "as a group of skilled and passionate amateur radio operators", the organizers say, "we wanted to do more than just go to exotic locations to operate from. Our Mission is to actively seek a dialogue with islanders and discuss and record the needs of the villagers that we meet. This will be an expedition with a difference". The plan is to activate (in order) IOTA groups OC-149, OC-168, OC-047, OC-127 and OC-285 (Stewart Islands, new one for IOTA). Exact dates and the callsign to be announced. Read more on the project's website at http://h44iota.com/
HA - Special station HG52FC is active on all bands and modes until 31 May for the 52nd FIRAC congress to be held in Galyateto on 16-20 May (details at http://www.firac.de/html/congress_2013.html). QSL via HA5BSW, direct or bureau, LoTW and eQSL. [TNX HA0HW]
HC - Once again Rick, NE8Z will be active as HC1MD from Ecuador from 21 March to 11 April. He will operate CW, SSB and RTTY on 40-10 metres. QSL via K8LJG. Information on the HC/Ecuador and HC8/ Galapagos DX Diplomas at http://webpages.charter.net/ne8z. [TNX NE8Z]
JD1_oga- Once again Makoto, JI5RPT (www.ji5rpt.com/jd1/) will be active as JD1BLY from Chichijima (AS-031), Ogasawara from 28 April to 4 May. He will operate CW, SSB and digital modes on 40-10 metres and satellite. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX JI5RPT]
KH9 - K9W is the callsign issued to the DXpedition to Wake Island [425DXN 1140], which is anticipated taking place at the beginning of October. The actual days of use will be announced in due course. Val, NV9L and Col, MM0NDX will be the Pilot Stations. Bookmark www.wake2013.org for further information and updates. [TNX W8GEX]
OZ - Once again the OZ1RDP Scout team (www.oz1rdp.de) will be active from Romo Island (EU-125) on 17-21 May. They plan to operate SSB, BPSK31 and maybe some CW on 80, 40, 30, 20, 17, 15, 10 and 6 metres. QSL via DL9BCP, direct or bureau. [TNX DL9BCP]
PA - Celebrating his 70th birthday, Joop Tijpens (PD0RKA) will be active on the HF bands as PD70JT from 16 March to 13 April. All of the QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau, LoTW and eQSL.
PA - Queen Beatrix of the Netherlands will formally end her reign on 30 April, and leave monarchy to Crown-Prince Willem-Alexander. At

least a couple of special stations are expected to be active to
celebrate the event: PA200KING from 18 April to 5 May (QSL via
PD5ROB), and PC13KING, operated by Contest Club Apeldoorn from 22
April to 2 May (QSL via PA1DV). [TNX PA7CW]
S7 - Nobby, G0VJG will be active as S79VJG from Mahe (AF-024),
Seychelles on 4-17 April. He will operate SSB only on 80-10
metres. QSL via G4DFI.
T2 - Clive, GM3POI made it to Tuvalu on 12 March, with a transceiver
(100 watts) and wire antennas, but he has not been reported active
so far. After many trials and tribulations, the other three T2GM
team members (GM3YTS, GM0GAV and GM4FDM) were finally able to
reach Fiji and retrieve their lost luggage. They are booked on the
16 March flight to Tuvalu, which is their last chance of going to
T2. Check http://t2gm.org/ for updates.
T2 - Tim, NL8F will operate mainly SSB from Tuvalu (OC-015) between 19
March and 2 April. The callsign is not known, as he will have to
collect his license upon arrival. QSL via K8NA. [TNX DX World]
T2 - Ingolf DJ4LS, Rick DK8YY and Detlef DL3ALI will be active as T2YY
(requested callsign) from Tuvalu from 23 March to 4 April. They
plan to operate CW, SSB and RTTY on 80-10 metres with two
stations. QSL via DH7WW. [TNX The Daily DX]
TA - Once again the TC Special Wireless Activity Team (www.tcswat.org)
will be active as TC18M on 16-18 March to commemorate the
anniversary of the naval battle of 18 March 1915 during the
Dardanelles Campaign. All of the QSOs will be confirmed
automatically via the bureau.
V7 - Ted, JF1CCH will be active as V73TS from the Marshall Islands on
21-26 March. He will operate mainly CW on 40-10 metres. QSL via
home call. [TNX NG3K]
VE - David, VE3VID is QRV in his spare time as VY0/VE3VID from Igloolik
Island (NA-174) until 29 March. He uses a 20m dipole on RTTY, but
has plans to have a multiband antenna when he returns to the
island in September/October. QSL via home call. [TNX DX World]
W - Once again Joe, K5KUA will be active as K5KUA/5 from Galveston
Island (NA-143) from 28 March to 1 April. He usually operates CW
only on 40-10 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau.
[rsgbiota.org]
ZD8 - Mick, G1EUZ will be active as ZD8RAF from Ascension Island
(AF-003) on 18-22 March. QSL via home call, direct or bureau.
ZK3 - Hans, DL6JGN and Guenter, DL2AWG will be active as ZK3N from
Nukunonu, Tokelau (OC-048) from 25 April to 8 May
(www.tokelau2013.de). They will operate CW, SSB and digital modes
on 80-10 metres. QSL via DL2AWG.

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**** GOOD TO KNOW ... ****
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425 DX NEWS MAGAZINE ---> The February 2013 issue is now available for download at www.425dxn.org/monthly/index.html. [TNX IZ3EBA]

7O6T VIDEO ---> The 7O6T DXpedition video is now available for free download from two different sites. The High Definition can be found on https://vimeo.com/61384528, while the Standard Definition video is on www.intrepid-dx.com [TNX N6PSE]

CASS AWARD ---> Presented annually, the Cass Award (www.cassaward.com) [425DXN 1102] honours the wisdom and spirit of Cass WA6AUD (SK) and encourages DXPeditions to maximize the number of DXers worked with a $1000 prize for the Single-Operator DXpedition that works the most unique callsigns. The 2012 Cass Award has been won by Rob Chipperfield, M0VFC: "from the remote South Atlantic island of Tristan Da Cunha as ZD9UW in October 2012, Rob worked 3362 unique stations over his 4-day DXpedition, demonstrating an outstanding effort to log as many individuals as possible". [TNX AA6YQ]

CLIPPERTON 2013 ---> TX5K started operations on 40m SSB around 06.15 UTC on 2 March and went QRT at 00.00 utc on the 10th. The team hit the 100,000th QSO mark around 12.15 UTC on 8 March, and finished with a grand total of 113,844 QSOs (60227 CW, 45030 SSB and 8587 Digi).

DX DINNER ---> David Patton, NN1N will be the featured speaker for the 28th annual DX Dinner, sponsored by the Southwest Ohio DX Association (SWODXA) and to be held in conjunction with the 2013 Dayton Hamvention on Friday, 17 May at the Dayton Marriott Hotel. Details can be found on the SWODXA Events website (www.swodxaevents.org) and updates will be sent out regularly via Twitter (@SWODXA). [TNX W8GEX]

HAM RADIO 2013 ---> The 38th International Exibition for Radio Amateurs - Europe's premiere gathering for amateur radio enthusiasts - will take place on 28-30 June at Friedrichshafen (www.hamradio-friedrichshafen.de). As usual, there will be a big flea market and commercial exhibitors, as well as many lectures and presentations. Ham Radio 2013 will be combined with the 64th Bodensee Convention organized by the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club.

NORTH KOREA ---> Rick, K6VVA has posted Info Update #2 to the "P5 CW Only & IOTA AS-197 Project" [425DXN 1105 and 1106] he has been working on for seven years now. "Recent 'circumstances' in P5 during the last several months have made this Project even more challenging, for obvious reasons", he says, "Yet a new alternative route to potential success has also materialized, and I decided to unleash the full 'long term' plan, which has been to activate ALL of the four P5 IOTA Designators (AS-195, AS-196, AS-197 and AS-198)".
Over the past 18 months, Rick has been part of a discussion group (N7NG, G3SXW, ON4UN, ON4WW, W6SJ, ST2AR/S53R and others all with considerable DXpedition and/or DX QTH operating experience) and spent "considerable time in analyzing and discussing the observed cause and effect relationship between the operating 'styles' (and errors) of many major DXpedition operators, which always result in the same predictable anti-social behaviors and chaos occurring in all pileups". Rick plans to produce a web viewable video soon, "summarizing my perspective of the reality of things,

which will also be the basis for any P5 operations and Pileup Management".
Read the full release at www.k6vva.com/p5/p5infoupdates.html

QSL OX3XR ---> OZ3PZ is no longer the QSL manager for Peter, OX3XR.
Effective 1 April, the new QSL route will be via SWL PA3249, direct only
(see qrz.com for details). You can also use the "Get a Card In the Mail"
service provided by eQSL. Bureau QSL requests will go unanswered, but
electronic confirmations will still be available through LoTW and eQSL. As
for XP3A, neither direct nor bureau paper cards are available, and QSOs are
confirmed only via LoTW and eQSL.

WAPC ---> The second Worked All Provinces of China (WAPC) DX Contest will
be held on 20-21 April (from 6 UTC on the 20th to 05.59 UTC on the 21st),
on 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 metres SSB and CW. Complete details can be found
on the Mulan DX Club's website (www.mulandxc.org). Last year's event saw
participating stations from 32 out of 34 Chinese provinces, municipal
cities, autonomous regions and special administration regions. [TNX BA7JS]

QSLs received direct or through managers: 3D2C, 3D2ZY, 3V8BB, 3XDQZ/p
(AF-096, 2004)4A0MAYA, 4K12SONG, 5T0SP, 5U5U, 5U6E, 6W/M1KTA, 6Y3M, 7O6T,
7Z7AB (AS-190), 8R1AK, 9J2BO, 9M2RDX, A63HI (AS-021), A71BO, CO8WN, EF8S,
EP3SMH, FK/JK1KSB, HI3/N2YDD, HI3K, HT9H, JA1YUC/6 (AS-067), JD1BMH, JT1CO,
JT1DX, KH8/M1KTA, OD5NJ, PY0FM, RI1ANF, RK9UN, S79QT, ST2AR, T30PY, TC0KLH
(AS-159), TC0P (AS-099), TR8CA, TZ6BB, UK9AA, V31JQ, WA2YUN/KH9, XF1F
(NA-124), XP1A, XU1A, YB8Y, ZB2FK, ZD7VC, ZL9HR.

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20843. 425 DX Calendar - #1141

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20844. ARLP011 Propagation de K7RA

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>From Tad Cook, K7RA
Seattle, WA March 15, 2013
To all radio amateurs

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ARLP011 Propagation de K7RA

Solar indicators were mixed this week, with the average daily sunspot number down 8.4 points to 84.9, but average daily solar flux up 5.9 points to 118.5. Geomagnetic indices were much quieter, with the average planetary A index down 4.7 points to 4.4, and the average mid-latitude A index down 5 points to 3.9. The main reason for this is there weren't any active days this week, such as March 1-2 in the previous week's report.

The predicted solar flux for March 15-17 is 120, then 115 on March 18-19, 110 on March 20, 105 on March 21, 95 on March 22-24, 100 on March 25-26, 105 on March 27, 110 on March 28-31, 115 on April 1-3, then solar flux peaks around 120 on April 4-11. This prediction for solar flux at 120 on April 4-11 is fairly recent, first appearing in the March 11 forecast. Prior to that date, values were predicted around 100-105, and back before February 25, 95 was the predicted level. The predicted March 15-17 flux value of 120 is also recent. On March 6 the predicted values were 95 for that period.

The average of predicted solar flux for the next five days, March 15-19 is 118, right around the average of 118.5 for the past reporting week, March 7-13.

The predicted planetary A index on March 15-16 is 17 and 12, indicating more geomagnetic activity similar to March 1-2. The predicted planetary A index is 5 on March 17-20, 8 on March 21, 5 on March 22-27, 18 and 10 on March 28-29, and 5 again on March 30 through April 16.

OK1HH predicts the geomagnetic field will be active to disturbed on March 15, quiet to unsettled March 16-17, mostly quiet March 18, quiet to unsettled March 19-21, active to disturbed March 22, quiet to active March 23, quiet March 24-25, mostly quiet March 26, quiet to active March 27-28, quiet to unsettled March 29-30, mostly quiet March 31, and quiet on April 1-4.

At 0600 UTC on March 15 the Australian Space Forecast Centre reported that a sudden impulse of 22 nT was detected in magnetometers at 0527 UTC. Due to a CME, increased geomagnetic activity is predicted on March 15-16. Minor storm periods at high latitudes are possible.

The coronal mass ejection and M1 class solar flare were from sunspot group 1692, right in the center of the visible solar disc viewed from Earth, and was Earth-directed.

In recent online articles about a possible two-peak Cycle 24, they were talking about the peak in late 2011 and another in 2013. But I noticed recently that solar physicist Dean Pesnell of NASA is suggesting a peak in late 2013 and another in 2015. Check the last line of the first paragraph of this article posted yesterday on the ARRL website:
http://www.arrl.org/news/solar-cycle-24-may-have-double-peaks-says-nasa-solar-physicist.

Robert Elek, W3HKK sent these observations about the TX5K operation on Clipperton Island:

"Kudos to the ops at TX5K! And to their nifty web site. I love the world map, spotting of call signs, almost instantaneous log updates, QSO totals, etc. It lets you see the propagation on a visual basis, call by call.

"I had not realized TX5K was on the air until, during our club effort at WW8OH for the ARRL SSB DX Contest on March 2-3, we worked them. Post-contest, and after catching up on my sleep Sunday night and most of Monday, I turned on the rig, right after dinner, and TX5K was EVERYWHERE, with big sigs! I worked them on 12, 15, 17, 30, 40 and 160 meters, many bands on both SSB and CW, during an amazing three hour stretch of operating!

"The station here is modest: 100 watts to an assortment of single band ground planes, and an inverted L for 160m. Working them so quickly, often on the very first or second call, was mind-blowing. Their pile-ups were HUGE. It had to be a miracle of good timing, plus a little experience to boot.

"I have since worked them on 160 thru 10m. Great job by TX5K! Thanks, guys!"

For a peek at the vertical antennas at W3HKK, click the photo on the upper right on his QRZ.com page at http://www.qrz.com/db/W3HKK. Note you will have to log in, but accounts are free.

Brian Alsop, K3KO of Henderson, North Carolina commented that "DXers shouldn't overlook VOACAP while chasing new ones." He sent a couple of circuit reliability plots from his location to ZL9CI and 9M4SLL on Spratly, and noted that the times he worked them lined up with the predictions. "I recently downgraded to 500 watts, a 2 element tri-bander at 40 feet and rotary dipole for 30/17/12 at 42 feet. I

need all the help I can get. Besides the DX cluster, knowing what paths at what time may be possible helps."

K9LA has a tutorial on the ARRL web site for using VOACAP, and you can see it at http://www.arrl.org/files/file/Technology/propagation/Voacap.pdf.

Finally, at http://stevemorse.org/jcal/latlon.php is a handy tool for converting a street address into latitude/longitude coordinates. This is useful for determining locations for propagation prediction and other programs based on FCC database address records, or for your own location.

If you would like to make a comment or have a tip for our readers, email the author at, k7ra@....

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service web page at, http://arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals. For an explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin, see http://arrl.org/the-sun-the-earth-the-ionosphere. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at http://arrl.org/w1aw-bulletins-archive-propagation. Find more good information and tutorials on propagation at http://myplace.frontier.com/~k9la/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://arrl.org/propagation.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of ARRL bulletins are at http://arrl.org/bulletins.

Sunspot numbers for March 7 through 13 were 80, 59, 63, 89, 105, 95, and 103, with a mean of 84.9. 10.7 cm flux was 113.8, 115, 116.2, 119.2, 119.7, 123, and 122.9, with a mean of 118.5. Estimated planetary A indices were 4, 3, 6, 4, 5, 5, and 4, with a mean of 4.4. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 2, 3, 6, 3, 4, 6, and 3, with a mean of 3.9.
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20845. 17M band limit

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In the USA, are Hams allowed to transmit RTTY above 18.110 MHz? It seems today with 9M4SLL on 18.1075 QSX UP that a lot of 1X2 and 2X1 well known calls are transmitting up to 18.113 MHz. There seems to be a lot of DX Cluster "chat line" about it being out of band.

I would think 1X2 and 2X1 would know the rules. All I recall is US Hams can't operate SSB below 18.110 MHz . . . can they go above with RTTY? If they can't, will anyone ever do anything about it if they do?

Just trying to understand what the fuss is about. I worked them an hour ago on 17M RTTY so it doesn't have any bearing on my ability to get another slot . . .

73, Paul VE1DX

20846. RE: [DX-IS] 17M band limit

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From: KQ8M
Topic: 20845 Message: 20846

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20847. RE: [DX-IS] 17M band limit

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-15 19:26:42 UTC
From: KQ8M
Topic: 20845 Message: 20847

Sorry not 5KHz. More like 1 KHZ

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-15 19:41:00 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 20845 Message: 20848

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20849. RE: [DX-IS] 17M band limit

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-15 19:50:29 UTC
From: KQ8M
Topic: 20845 Message: 20849

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Paul M Dunphy
Sent: Friday, March 15, 2013 3:41 PM
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Your right Paul. Yes, I remember that operation. Your right 99% were mistakes but then they
weren't telling US to transmit out of
band like these guys.

I tweeted Tim about the 17m problem. Now whether he gets it or not who knows. I would think
about dropping an email but he is
probably getting so many of the I need them here and I need them there emails that he is
probably not reading them. This has
happened before though.

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20850. Re: [DX-IS] 17M band limit

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-15 19:56:59 UTC
From: Jim Kehler
Topic: 20845 Message: 20850

I think operating out of the band should be a personal choice, made
by the individual operator :-)

The FCC is totally out of pink slips. Budget cuts......

73, Jim KH2D

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20851. Re: [DX-IS] 17M band limit

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-15 20:59:30 UTC
From: Pete Smith N4ZR
Topic: 20845 Message: 20851

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20852. Re: [DX-IS] 17M band limit

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-15 23:48:41 UTC
From: Deacon Dave
Topic: 20845 Message: 20852

47 CFR 97.305 18.110 MHz

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20853. Re: [DX-IS] 17M band limit

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-16 00:07:19 UTC
From: Deacon Dave
Topic: 20845 Message: 20853

Opps! RTTY 18.110 Mhz [old man & fat finger]

----- Original Message -----
From: Deacon Dave
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Friday, March 15, 2013 7:48 PM
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20854. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-16 13:01:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 20854

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:Issued: 2013 Mar 16 1204 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30316
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 16 Mar 2013, 1147UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 16 Mar 2013 until 18 Mar 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >= 50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Minor geomagnetic storm expected (A>=30 or K=5)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 16 Mar 2013 10CM FLUX: 123 / AP: 009
PREDICTIONS FOR 17 Mar 2013 10CM FLUX: 121 / AP: 004
PREDICTIONS FOR 18 Mar 2013 10CM FLUX: 118 / AP: 022
COMMENT: Solar activity was eruptive with several C flares and is
expected to remain that way for the next 24 hours.
A rise in the proton levels was detected, but still below 10 000/(cm2 s
sr). The levels are, however, still rising, especially for the 10 MeV.
A very small jump in the solar wind and a turbulent interplanetary
magnetic field indicate the arrival of the CME detected by LASCO C2 on
March 12th 11:00 UT.
The geomagnetic condition remained quiet to moderate, but are expected
to reach Active to Storm levels on Monday, March 18th around 13:00 UT
with the arrival of the full halo CME of March 15th 7:12 UT.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 078, BASED ON 07 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 15 Mar 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 123
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 014
AK WINGST : 006
ESTIMATED AP : 006
ESTIMATED ISN : 083, BASED ON 15 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
END
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20855. AL-1200 schematic

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-16 12:02:22 UTC
From: Roger D Johnson
Topic: 20855 Message: 20855

I found a redrawn and much easier to read schematic here:

http://www.pj2t.org/ccc/AL-1200.schematic.K6AM.2011.pdf

73, Roger

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Remember the Liberty (AGTR-5)
http://www.usslibertyveterans.org/
http://www.gtr5.com/

20856. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-17 13:01:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 20856

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:Issued: 2013 Mar 17 1202 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
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# (RWC Belgium) #
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SIDC URSIGRAM 30317
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SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 17 Mar 2013 until 19 Mar 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >= 50%)
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SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 17 Mar 2013 10CM FLUX: 126 / AP: 026
PREDICTIONS FOR 18 Mar 2013 10CM FLUX: 124 / AP: 004
PREDICTIONS FOR 19 Mar 2013 10CM FLUX: 123 / AP: 004
COMMENT: Solar activity has been quiet, but is expected to be eruptive
for the next 24 hours.
The full halo CME of Friday March 15th has arrived since Sunday March
17th around 6 o'clock and geomagnetic activity has reached storm levels
since 9:00 UT. The Solar wind speed jumped to around 700 km/s. The
interplanetary magnetic field Bz component is turbulent around -15 nT.
Active to Storm geomagnetic conditions are expected for the next few
hours, but will return to quiet levels after that.
Proton levels of 10 MeV are dropping below the 10 pfu treshold again.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 073, BASED ON 06 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 16 Mar 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 126
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 013
AK WINGST : 012
ESTIMATED AP : 012
ESTIMATED ISN : 077, BASED ON 11 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
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NONE
END
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20857. DX Nirvana

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-17 16:20:13 UTC
From: Richard Solomon
Topic: 20857 Message: 20857

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20858. RE: [DX-IS] DX Nirvana

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-17 16:34:45 UTC
From: KQ8M
Topic: 20857 Message: 20858

I dunno, I am still waiting on my RTTY LOTW confirmation from a couple of days ago from 9M4SLL. So slow.so slow.

Just kidding. Missed them on 80, 40 and 10 but those guys did a great job.

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Sent: Sunday, March 17, 2013 12:20 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
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20859. Re: [DX-IS] DX Nirvana

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Date: 2013-03-17 16:35:24 UTC
From: Derek Wills
Topic: 20857 Message: 20859

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The Clipperton "instant greenies" were sort of cute, and the logical
next step would be for the DX to listen to the pile-up and put calls
in the log, and show greenies, without bothering with all the "599"
stuff over the air.

Actually, a robot could do it faster - it could be dropped on the
island from the air (if they can land those things on Mars, this
would be easy), listen to the pile-up and award instant greenies.
Computers can beat the best humans at chess, so this should be a
trivial task. They could have put one on the Mars thingie too -
but no, all we get is "JPL" in CW on its tires - phooey.

Derek
aa5bt

20860. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1104

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-17 16:44:56 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 20860 Message: 20860

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* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

10 METER CONTEST. Members of "Radio Club Guadeloupe" (ACRA - FG5KC) invite all Contests/DXers to be active in the "2013 Championship 10M FG (Guadeloupe) SSB Contest" on June 29th, between 0100-2300z. Details

are available at:
http://rc-fg5kc.over-blog.org/pages/CONTEST_2013_CHAMPIONSHIP_10M_SSB_GUADELOUPE-8570589.html

5H, TANZANIA (Update/IOTA Op). Bodo, DF8DX, will be active as 5H1DX between April 20-28th. Activity will include the activation of several IOTAs which include the following: AF-075 - Bongoyo Island as 5H1DX3
AF-063 - Pemba Island as 5H1DX
AF-032 - Zanzibar as 5H1DX
Operations will be on the HF bands and EME. QSL via DF8DX.

8P, BARBADOS. Dean, 8P6SH, will be active as 8P2K during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 30-31st) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (10m) entry. QSL via KU9C.

8P, BARBADOS. Jeff, VA3QSL, is once again heading to the Caribbean, but this time he will be active as 8P9HI from Farther Away Cottage, Bayfield, St. Philip, Barbados (NA-021), between April 6-13th. Activity will be holiday style on the HF bands. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

8Q, MALDIVES. Noel, F6BGC, will be active as 8Q7NC from Rihiveli, South Male Atoll, in the Maldives Islands (AS-013) between March 19-29th. He plans to operate holiday style on 40-6 meters with 100w and a vertical, using mostly SSB with some CW and RTTY. He states, "The island is isolated in the Indian Ocean, it's motto is 'No News, No Shoes'. There is no InterNet, cell phone ... so no DXA and no Cluster!" QSL via F6BGC, direct or by the Bureau and LoTW. More information can be found at:
http://f8kcf.free.fr

9X, RWANDA. Kiyoshi "KIYO", JR1IZM (ex-V31IZ, 7P8ZM), has been in Kigali since February and announced that he finally received his license/callsign 9X0ZM. He will be there until March of 2014 and expects to be active soon. Activity will be limited to his free time. He will use an IC-7200 with ATU/AH-4 and Loop antenna. Operations will be mainly 20 meters on the Digital mode JT65), CW and SSB. QSL via JO1CRA, direct (SASE) or by the Bureau.

A5, BHUTAN. Yuki, JH1NBN, is expected to be active as A52W through March 26th. He is in Bhutan on business, so his activity will only be during his spare time. There has been no QSN reported as this was being written. QSL via JH1NBN direct.

A7, QATAR. Operators Ali/A71BX, Khalid/A71CO, Abdulla/A71CV, Saif/A71AM and Andrey/RA9CKQ will be active as A71AM from Dukhan during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 30-31st) as a Multi-2 entry. QSL via A71AM, direct or by the Bureau.

DAYTON HAMVENTION NEWS (SWODXA DX DINNER ANNOUNCEMENT, dated March 13th). Janet Pater, W8CAA, writes, "FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE -- The SouthWest Ohio DX Association (SWODXA) has announced that David Patton, NN1N, will be the featured speaker for their 28th annual DX dinner☐. The dinner, held

in conjunction with the 2013 Dayton Hamvention®, will be on Friday, May 17th, at the Marriott Hotel in Dayton.
Dave was first licensed in 1977 at the age of 12 as WD9DCL. Always an avid DXer and contester, the two-time WRTC competitor has been on world record holding multi-op teams at 6Y2A and HC8N. Changing his calls frequently in his quest for a "good" call sign, Dave has worked 10 Band DXCC along with 2875 countries in the DXCC Challenge using 'DCL, KJ9W, AH2U, NU9R, WO0G, AA9AK, WX3N, KW9KW, W9QA, NT1N and now NN1N. In his past he has been a net control, and public service volunteer, as well as a 6-year President of the Society of Midwest Contesters.
He started at ARRL HQ as the Special Assistant to the Executive Vice President, and is now the Manager of the Membership and Volunteer Programs Department with a staff of 22. The MVP Dept. includes Field Services, W1AW, Emergency Preparedness and Response, ARRL Operating Awards, and the QSL Bureau.
Dave will have an informative and entertaining presentation on the Logbook of the World (LOTW□). We look forward to Dave presenting 'What hath LOTW Wrought?'; exploring the initial, current and future impact of this state-of-the-art logging and awards website.
For more information and to order dinner tickets, visit <WWW.SWODXAEVENTS.ORG> and follow us on @SWODXA ."

E5, SOUTH COOK ISLANDS (Update/New 'Resident' Operator/QSL INFO & Change).
Andy, AB7FS/E51AND, informs OPDX that he is moving to Rarotonga (OC-013). Edited excerpts from his long E-mail, Andy writes, "My wife Kat and I are moving to Rarotonga -- she arrives there on March 25th and I will be there on April 29th. We are moving into a house in the part of Arorangi Beach called Inave (say ee-nah-vay) -- about 100 meters inland from the back road -- and probably about 1/2 mile inland from the beach roughly in line with the Crown Beach or Manuia Beach "resorts" (There are no street addresses in Rarotonga). We would rather be inland to moderate the impact of cyclones and to stay away from the storm surges. Arorangi is on the West side of Rarotonga, and we will have a range of volcanic mountains up to 2,500 feet to the East -- which may limit operations in that direction. I hope to be operating using a 43 ft vertical and 100 watts from a Yaesu FT 857D by the end of the first week of May. The container with the tower and yagis will likely not arrive until early June -- so it will be July or August before I have the tower up and the yagis in the air. Once it's up we should have a 5 element KLM monobander at 70 feet for 20m and a Tennadyne T7 at 80 feet for the higher bands. Not sure yet how we will handle 30 meters and below though we do have an OCF dipole and I can drive the tower. We'll be using a Icom 756Pro and have an Ameritron AL1200 - though I prefer to operate using as little power as possible. I'm a ragchewer at heart -- NOT a DXer -- and with several active hams on Raro I'm hoping to avoid some of the rapid fire 5 and 9 contacts and ACTUALLY talk to people. LOL. I got back into CW a while back and although I'm still plodding along at 10 wpm, I enjoy CW and will likely hang out at the Straight Key Century Club frequencies and exchange SKCC numbers with other members. On SSB, the place to find me will be on the ANZA DX net (14183 kHz daily starting at 0515z). And if you are looking for esoteric VK and NZ -- and Tahiti,

Fiji, the Cooks, New Caledonia, Kiribati, etc.. -- and the occasional African Station -- it's a good net to check in to. Kat is also a licensed Ham (ZK1SCH/KB7SCH) and I'm hoping that being in a 'rare' location will prompt her to get on the air :-). Other active hams on Rarotonga include: Jim Ditchburn, E51JD, in the village of Tupapa (North side of the Island) who is on almost daily on 20 meters SSB; Victor Rivera, E51CG (or E51USA), in Nikao (NW corner) who tends to work the highest band open and has a 6m beacon; and Bob Walker, E51BQ, in Muri in the SE corner of the Island... I'll keep the E51AND page on QRZ.com updated." Andy announced on March 11th, on QRZ.com, that there is a change in the QSL route (address) and he has responded to all cards received to date!! After April 15th, he states, "Please QSL DIRECT to P.O. Box 618, Avarua, Rarotonga, Cook Islands". He also states, "If there are problems/issues with your QSL -- Please E-mail me with all the QSO info and your mailing address - I have a paper log and CANNOT find you without date, time and callsign :-) Thanks". Andy also mentions, "If all goes as planned I should have a good gain antenna system on Rarotonga, and I may try for Palmerston [OC-124] (or possibly PukaPuka [OC-098]) again in July or August :-). This time with better preparation and hopefully a Hex Beam at 30+ feet. :-)". Take a look at his QRZ.com page for some great pictures.

E6, NIUE (Reminder). Look for operators Alan/VK4WR and Graeme/VK4FI to be active as E6RQ and E6SG, respectively, from Niue (OC-040) between March 22-29th. Their activity will focus on 6 meters as well as some HF operations. QSL both callsigns via VK4FI

FR, REUNION ISLAND. Guy, F5MNW, will be active as FR/F5MNW from Reunion Island (AF-016) between April 6-29th. Activity will be on the HF bands using only CW. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

H40 & H44, TEMOTU AND SOLOMON ISLANDS (Update). The "Two Entities DX-pedition - Solomon 2013" continues with both operations on the air as this was being written. The first group signing H44G from Guadalcandal (OC-047), Solomon Islands will operate until March 25th. The second group finally hit the air waves as H40T on March 16th (after a flight delay of 4 days due to bad weather), from Santa Cruz Island (OC-100) [Temotu Island], and will operate until March 23rd. Activity from both locations will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. See OPDX.1103 for suggested frequencies. QSL route is via DL7DF, direct or by the Bureau. For more details and updates, visit:
http://www.dl7df.com/h4/index.php

H44, SOLOMON ISLANDS (IOTA Op/Update to OPDX.1103). Operators Ralph, 5W0W/H44RK, Dom/SQ9KWW, Tom/WL7HP and Maggie/H44MK (the only local YL Ham from Sikiana) are planning an upcoming IOTA tour which will start during the first week of June. The callsign will be H44IOTA (not H40IOTA as mentioned earlier). The group now has a Web, Twitter and FaceBook page at: http://www.h44iota.com
https://twitter.com/h44iota
https://www.facebook.com/pages/H44-IOTA-DXpedition/136003426577924

Activity will be on 80-10 meters using CW and SSB. The suggested
frequencies are:
CW - 3530, 7030, 10115, 14040, 18098, 21040, 24920 and 28040 kHz
SSB - 3755, 7055, 14260, 18128, 21260, 24950, 28460 and 28560 kHz

All QSL requests are via QSL Manager Rex Turvin, NR6M. For updates,
it is suggested to watch: http://www.qrz.com/db/H40RK

HB30, SWITZERLAND. Member of the Tera Radio Club (HB9OK) will celebrate
their 30th anniversary by using the callsign HB30OK until the end of the
year. Look for operators Marco/HB9OCR, Luigi/HB9CXZ, Claudio/HB9OAU and
Marco/HB9EUY to use the special callsign during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest
as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via HB9OCR, director by the Bureau.

HC, ECUADOR. Dr. Rick, NE8Z/HC1MD, will once again be active from here
between March 21st and April 11th. Activity will be from Tumbaco on
40-10 meters operating CW, SSB and RTTY, using a TS-850s with a Heath
SB-200 into a Carolina Windom (40-10m) antenna. QSL via K8LJG. View the
HC DX-Diplomas at: http://webpages.charter.net/ne8z/NE8Z/Welcome.html

HQ9, HONDURAS. Ray, WQ7R, will once again be active as HQ9R from Honduras,
but this time during the CQ WW WPX SSB Contest (March 30-31st) as Single-
Op/Single-Band (10m)/Low-Power entry. QSL via K5WW or LoTW.

IOTA NEWS.............
AF-019. (Update) An international team of operators will be active as
IG9Y from Lampedusa Island between October 17-30th. Operators
mentioned are Khalid/A61BK, Gianni/IT9BUN, Roy/IW9ELR, Don/
JH5GHM, Boyko/LZ1QN, Dale/N3BNA, Frederic/ON4LG, Aurelio/PC5A,
Romeo/S52RU, Peter/S54W, Renato/S57UN and Drago/S59A. Activity
will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB, and RTTY, with four
stations on the air. The team will be in the CQWW DX SSB Contest
(October 26-27th) as a Multi-2 entry. QSL via ON4LG. An OQRS
will be available for direct and Bureau cards. Visit their Web
page at: http://ig9.ii9p.com

AS-073. Jack, SP5APW, will be active as 9M2/SP5APW from Perhentian
Besar Island between May 1-7th. Activity will be SSB and a
little digital. His license is good for 160-10 meters. QSL
via his home callsign, direct, by the Bureau or use LoTW.
For updates, watch: http://as-073.blogspot.com

AS-118. Members of the Kuwait Amateur Radio Society are once again
active as 9K2F from Failaka Island between now and March
18th. This is their 7th annual trip. Activity will be on
the HF bands. QSL via 9K2HN. Watch last year's operation
at: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EdmJe2saYm4

EU-006. Members of the Papa Lima DX Group will be active as EJ0PL
from Inishmore Islands (Aran Islands) between July 23-29th.
Ten operators plan to have three stations active on 80-6
meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. Activity will
include the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th) as a Multi-Op/

High-Power entry. They will use Hexbeams (20-6m) and verticals (80-30m). Operators mentioned are Michal/EI3KG, John/EI4GK, Adam/EI5JQ, Robert/EI6KD, Oleg/EI7KD, Waldi/SP7IDX, Jerzy/SQ7JT, David/EI9FBB, Ark/EI9KC and Mietek/SP9NWN. QSL via EI5JQ, direct or by the Bureau. An OQRS will be available via ClubLog. Log will be uploaded to LoTW, eQSL and HRDLOG.net.

EU-008. Members of the Camb-Hams will once again activate the Isle of Mull (IOSA NH15, SCOTIA CN10, WLOTA 2485), Inner Hebrides, as GS3PYE/p between May 10-16th. They were there in April 2008. Activity will be on all HF bands (600-10m) using five stations with amps. Operations will also be on 6m, 4m and 2m. They will focus more effort on 2m EME. QSL via M0VFC (OQRS via QRZ.com). More details and updates can be found at: http://dx.camb-hams.com

EU-038. Wim, PA0WRS, will be active as homecall/p from Ameland Island (WLOTA 1059) between April 19-26th. Activity will be on the HF bands, all modes, propagation permitting. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

EU-039. Operators Jacques/ON5OO, Jean-Jacques/ON7EQ, Noel/ON4NS, Pascal/ON5RA, Ann/ON5AR, Roger/ON6WU, Martin/ON4VMA, Frank/ON5NQ, Peter/ON8ZZ and Frederik/ON8ZL will be active as TM7T from Grand Ile (DIFM MA-004, WLOTA 0424) in the Iles Chausey Group between July 26-28th. Activity will include the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th) as a Multi-Op/24hr/DXpedition entry. Operations will be on 80-10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via ON8ZL, direct (QRZ.com) or by the ON Bureau. See the QRZ.com Web page for more details at: http://www.qrz.com/db/TM7T

NA-174. (Update to OPDX.1103) The "DX-World.net" reports that David, VE3VID, who is currently active as VY0/VE3VID from the rare Igloolik Island (WW.Loc EP-99), will be there until March 29th, but he will return later this year during September/October. Currently, David uses a 20m dipole on RTTY, but has plans to use a multiband antenna upon his return. His work obligations will determine his activity, but generally he will be on the air after 2100z and definitely weekends. QSL via his home callsign, by the Bureau or direct to: David Gerrard, 1653 Mountain Rd, R.R. #1, Westport, ON, K0G 1X0, Canada.

OC-090. Victor, R6AF, will be active as DU1/R6AF from Busuanga Island possibly April 27th and May 3rd. Watch for updates on Twitter: https://twitter.com/r6af

SA-050. José, CE8DMT, will be active from Navarino Island (WAP CHL-13) in the Chilean Antarctic Province between March 23-24th, to meet the needs for European and North American stations seeking WAP Antarctic stations award. José will operate according to the following schedule: 1330-1530z on 15 meters (21277 kHz) 1600-1700z on 10 meters (28477 kHz)

He will use a Kenwood TS-130S into a Hi-Gain 3 element Yagi
beam. QSL via address on QRZ.com. Suggested URLs are:
http://www.waponline.it/NewsInformation/tabid/225/Default.aspx
http://yimber-gaviria.blogspot.com/2013/03/chile-antartic-province-ce8-23-24-de.html

IS0, SARDINIA. Hubert, OE3FHA, will be active as IS0/OE3FHA from Sardinia
(EU-024, IIA SD-001, MIA MIS-035, WLOTA 1608) between September 8-26th.
Activity will be on 40/20/15 meters using SSB with 100 watts and a CP6
Diamond antenna. QSL via his home callsign, by the ARI Bureau or direct.

J3, GRENADA. Operators Tom/OE2ATN and Franz/OE2SNL will be on a suitcase
DXpedition to Grenada Island (NA-024, WLOTA 0718) between October 28th
and November 10th. The callsign has not been issued yet. Operations will
be on CW, SSB and RTTY with 100-200 watts. A Web page is under constructions.
More details will be forthcoming.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (March 18-24th)....
Mar/18th AN Mar/21st HN-AN Mar/23rd AN
Mar/19th AN Mar/22nd AN Mar/24th AN
Mar/20th AN

SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS/INDEXES AND GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE
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NORMALITY GEOMAG K Values Alpha
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AN - Above Normal Quiet K=0-1 0-7
HN - High Normal Unsettled K=2 8-15
LN - Low Normal Active K=3 16-29
BN - Below Normal Minor Storm K=4 30-49
DIS - Disturbed Major Storm K=5 50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed Severe Storm K=6-9 100-400

KH9, WAKE ISLAND (Press Release). Joe, W8GEX, sent out the following
press release on March 10th [edited]: "Press Release #2 - Wake Atoll
Commemorative DXpedition -- "We are pleased to announce the callsign for
the Commemoration anticipated taking place at the beginning of October,
2013.
K9W has been assigned to this event! The actual days of use will be
announced on our website and through the normal media channels.
Additionally, we are happy to announce that Val, NV9L, and Col, MMØNDX,
have joined the Team as Pilot Stations. Pilot stations are essential
members of the DXpedition's operation and gather the DX communities'
feedback during the event. This information allows the 'on island team'
to tailor their activities to the needs of stations worldwide.
We have received our first foundation support from INDEXA and donations
from clubs and individuals.
In-depth planning is continuing and progressing nicely thanks to the
efforts of many members of the DX community. Their input and assistance
is greatly appreciated and welcomed!
Please check our web site often for updates: http://www.wake2013.org/
K9W Wake Atoll Management Team"

OH0, ALAND ISLANDS. Operators Pertti/OG2W and Raimo/OH0BCI will be active as OH0/OG2W from the Aland Islands(EU-002, WLOTA 1373, WWFF OHFF-037) between March 20-24th. Activity will be on all HF bands and modes. QSL via OG2W, direct or by the Bureau.

P5, NORTH KOREA (Update To P5/K6VVA Pending "CW ONLY" & IOTA AS-197 Activation Proposal Project). Rick, K6VVA, posted another new supplement (INFO UPDATE #2) at: http://www.k6vva.com/p5/p5infoupdate2.pdf
If you have not read the general information page <http://www.k6vva.com/p5> and/or Rick's "INFO UPDATE #1" <http://www.k6vva.com/p5/p5infoupdate1.pdf>, it is suggested that you do so before reading "INFO UPDATE #2".
In short, Rick updates everyone on his efforts and continues to pursue his goal of activating P5 from an IOTA (AS-197) on CW only. However, in "INFO UPDATE #2" he states, "Yet a new alternative route to potential success has also materialized, and I decided to unleash the full 'long term' plan, which has been to activate ALL of the four P5 IOTA Designators (AS-195, AS-196, AS-197 and AS-198)." He also talks about the recent appalling behavior of DXpedition pileups.

PB33, NETHERLANDS (Special Event). Jaap, PA7DA, will be active with the special callsign PB33Q (Princess Beatrix 33 years Queen) between April 20th and May 1st. On April 30th, Queen Beatrix will hand over the throne to her eldest son Prince Willem Alexander. On April 30th, 1980, she took over the throne of her mother Juliana. When she abdicates her throne, she has been the Queen for almost 33 years. Activity will be on the HF bands, as well as 6 and 2 meters. QSL please via the Bureau. For more details, see: http://pa7da.jouwweb.nl/pb33q
ADDED NOTE: There will be several other amateur stations to be active with special callsigns during this event. As this was being written, look for the following announced special callsigns:
PA33KBX in Zeeuws Vlaanderen (QSL PA0ABM) PD6KING -> PD9ND
PB2013KING -> PA9LUC PE6KING -> PE1KFC
PB6KING -> PB2JJ PA200KING -> PD5ROB
PC6KING -> PC7C PC13KING -> PA1DV

PJ4, BONAIRE (Update to OPDX.1103). Operators Steven/W1SRD and Dean/N6DE will be active as PJ4/homecall from the "Radio House" <http://www.pj4g.com> on Bonaire (SA-006, WLOTA LH-1279) between March 26th and April 1st. They plan to be active as PJ4D in the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 30-31st) as a Multi-2 entry. Operation before and after the contest will be focused on RTTY. QSL via LoTW is preferred. Direct to W1SRD with SASE/return postage for the contest callsign. QSL the QSOs to their homecalls for contacts outside of the contest.

PJ7, SINT MAARTEN. Operators Randy/N0TG, Ron/AA4VK and Jeff/N1SNB will be active as PJ7/homecall from Dutch Sint Maarten (NA-105, WLOTA 0711, DIFO FS-001) between March 15-23rd. Activity will be a suitcase operation on 40-10 meters using CW and SSB, with wire antennas and 100 watts. QSL "ALL" callsigns via AA4VK.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated March 17th)

4S7TRG via OK1CZ G5O via G8SRS PS2T via K3IRV
5B/R2DX via R2DX GW7O via GW3SQX RK3FG via DK3WG
5N/RZ3DJ via RZ3DJ J47X via SV7BVM S503EO via S53EO
9K2F via 9K2HN KH0XH via JE1XUZ SD2G via SA2AWO
CT8/K0RUI via K0RUI KH0XW via JQ2WTT TA1/UR0FF via UR0FF
EA8/DL2DXA via DL2DXA KH6/K1YR via K1YR V31RT via WB1EAZ
ED5LD via EA5LD LX/9A8MM via 9A8MM VK8/OZ1AA via OZ1ACB
ED5T via EA5ELT LZ1323SKZ via LZ1KCP VP8LIZ via VP8LP (d)
EG7HR via EA7NL OH0X via OH2TA VY0/VE3VID via VE3VID
EO1I via UT1IA OT4S via ON8SI YQ6A via YO6BHN
FS/DK5ON via DK5ON PA1MUC via DL3LUM ZF2AH via W6VNR
FS/LY2IJ via LY2IJ PJ2/AA1M via AA1M ZV2K via PY2SHF

(e) eQSL only (d) direct only (B) Bureau only (L) LoTW only

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 3B8MM, 4A4A, 9A7A, 9K2MU, 9M4SLL, 9X0NH, CN8KD,
E77DX, ER1LW, EX8BN, FM5FJ, HF9Q, J38A, J8/VA3MW, JA1TMG, KP2/KZ5D
LU4FM, LX7I, LZ8E, M5E, OV2B, P40P, P49Y, PJ2/K3ND, PJ2T, PJ4G, PY1ON,
PY0ZSB, PZ5TT, T30PY, T88UU, V31LJ, V31UZ, V4/AC0W, WP4OFO, YI1RZ, YW3T
and Z81Z

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 5U8NK, E77DX, FR/DJ7RJ, ISOHFE, PJ2/DL4JS,
T30PY, TC0P, UA0ZAM/P, VK9HR, XP1A, XT2SE, YI1RZ and ZL9HR

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 4L1MA, 5H1Z, 7Z1HL, 9M6Z, 9M8/SM5GMZ,
AA35YZ, BA7MG, BD1BYV, BD2SH/7, C21UF, C31KC, C50C, CE0Y/LA5UF,
CT3/LA9DL, CT9/DH4JQ, CT9/DJ0IF, CY9M, CY0X, DX0M, E44PM, EA8/DL2DXA,
F1IZL, FR5MV, HZ1FI, JW1RSA, JW6TMA, JW9DL, JW8HGA, OH0V, OJ0R,
PJ2/DL4JS, PJ4J, S79DO, S79UFT, SV9CJO, SV9COL, SV9ZT, T32C, TT8PK,
US5IFA, V31YK, V5/DJ4SO, V5/DK1CE, V55A, VK9DWX, VK9HR, VP2MXF,
XF3LH, YJ0ANR, YJ0VK, YO3CZW, YP3A, Z60K, ZC4VJ, ZD8W and ZL8X

T2, TUVALU (Back on again and now active!). No sooner than OPDX.1103 was
sent out, word came out that operators Gavin/GM0GAV, Robert/GM3YTS and
Tom/GM4FDM had to change their operating plans to Tuvalu because their
outward flight from Glasgow was cancelled due to an undercarriage problem.
This effected all their others flights they were due to catch, especially
the connection from Fiji to Tuvalu. However when this happened, their
fourth operator Clive, GM3POI, was already on route to Fiji and did
continue onto Tuvalu while the other three operators were making plans
to operate from Fiji. By Tuesday, Clive, GM3POI, made it to Tuvalu and
was planning to operate using a rig (w/100 watts) and wire antennas. Then
on Wednesday, their Blog reported that Gav/GM0GAV, Rob/GM3YTS and Tom/
GM4FDM were booked on a Saturday flight to Tuvalu. They were initially
booked on a Thursday flight, however, since arriving in Fiji Monday, their
luggage did not arrived and was still missing. The Saturday flight was
their last chance of going to Tuvalu, but if no luggage by then they would
return home. Then on March 14th, their luggage finally showed up. The three
Scots were able to leave on Saturday, and by the time you read this, they
should be on the air from Funafuti Atoll (OC-015). For updates, watch the

Web Blog page at: http://t2gm.org
Activity should be 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. See suggested frequencies in OPDX.1103. If the InterNet is available, logs will be uploaded to ClubLog and LoTW. QSL Manager will be GM4FDM (QRZ.com), direct or by the Bureau. A OQRS will be available via ClubLog.
LAST MINUTE UPDATE: Activity from T2GM may be limited. Operators report, "On the flight to Tuvalu from Suva, Fiji, Rob's (GM3YTS) luggage was again lost. This bag contained band pass filters and coax, so antenna choice until Tuesday will be limited. (It's expected the missing luggage will arrive on the Tuesday flight). The team will QRT on Friday, March 22nd. at 1830z."

T2, TUVALU. A German team consisting of Rich/DK8YY, Detlef/DL3ALI and Ingolf/DL4JS will be active from the "Hideaway Guesthouse" on Funafuti Atoll (OC-015), the capital of the island nation of Tuvalu, between March 23rd and April 4th. They have requested the callsign T2YY and will receive the license upon their arrival. Activity will be on 80-10 meters, possibly 160m, using CW, SSB and RTTY. They plan on having two stations with amps using a Hexbeam for the HF bands and verticals for 80/40/30m. QSL via DH7WW.

T2, TUVALU (Reminder). Tim, NL8F, is expected to be active from Tuvalu between March 19th and April 2nd. His callsign is not yet known, but he will obtain his license upon his arrival on Tuvalu. Activity will probably be mostly SSB. QSL via K8NA.

TO7, MAYOTTE. Hartwig, DL7BC, will once agin be active as FH/DL7BC from Mayotte (AF-027) between March 26th and April 12th. Activity will be from Bruno's, DH1BL/FH4VOS, QTH. Operations will be on 80-10 meters plus participation in CQWW WPX SSB Contest signing TO7BC. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau. For more details, visit it his Web site at: http://www.qslnet.de/member/dl7bc/en_TO7BC.htm

XR0, EASTER ISLAND (Reminder). Just a reminder that a UK DXpedition team will be active as XR0YG from Easter Island (SA-001) between March 20-27th (see OPDX.1090). Activity will be on all bands 160-10 meters, mainly CW. Even though the operations will be on the HF bands, they also plan to work challenging paths on the low bands and with an emphasis on Europe. ClubLog and LoTW uploads will occur daily. The log search on ClubLog will be available at: https://secure.clublog.org/charts/?c=XR0YG
There will also be OQRS available. QSL via G3TXF and LoTW. Visit their Web page at: http://xr0yg.com

YE1, INDONESIA. Team members of the Bekasi Club Station (YE1ZAT) and the Jakarta Contest DX Team (YE0X) will be active as YE1K from Bekasi (OC-021, WLOTA 1660) during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 30-31st) as a Multi-Multi entry. QSL via YE1ZAT.

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Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=unsubscribe>
OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):
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20861. Re: [DX-IS] DX Nirvana

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-17 17:36:03 UTC
From: Steve Lybarger
Topic: 20857 Message: 20861

Derek,

The DXpedition folks would setup a reverse beacon thingy on the rock, beach, etc. Once it is operational and reporting to the internet, return to the boat and “pound some Bud” until breakdown. They could avoid most of the heat/cold, insects, crabs... That might put the “UP UP UP cops” out of a job, too.
Steve, NU7T

20862. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-18 13:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 20862

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:Issued: 2013 Mar 18 1246 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30318
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 18 Mar 2013, 1159UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 18 Mar 2013 until 20 Mar 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Quiet conditions (<50% probability of C-class flares)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Proton event expected (10 pfu at >10 MeV)
PREDICTIONS FOR 18 Mar 2013 10CM FLUX: 126 / AP: 016
PREDICTIONS FOR 19 Mar 2013 10CM FLUX: 123 / AP: 006
PREDICTIONS FOR 20 Mar 2013 10CM FLUX: 123 / AP: 004
COMMENT: Solar activity is eruptive with 6 C-flares in the past 12
hours. Four C-flares originated from NOAA AR1698 and two C-flares came
from an unnumbered region near AR1700. Solar activity is expected to
remain eruptive for the next 24 hours, mainly caused by AR1698. C-flares
are very likely, but there is also a slight chance for an M-flare.
AR1698 is approaching the west limb, so if it erupts a proton event is
possible. The solar wind is getting stable again; in the past 24 hours
the speed has decreased from 750 km/s to about 500 km/s. The
interplanetary magnetic field has returned to about 10nT, with a
positive Bz-component. Geomagnetic conditions are expected to be quiet
for the next 48 hours.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 069, BASED ON 08 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 17 Mar 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 126
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 079
AK WINGST : 056
ESTIMATED AP : 059
ESTIMATED ISN : 080, BASED ON 17 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
END
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20863. Need CQ Zone 2 CW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-18 13:05:44 UTC
From: GARY HUBER
Topic: 20863 Message: 20863

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Anyone?

Best regards,

CSM(r) Gary L Huber – AB9M
9679 Heron Bay Road
Bloomington, IL 61705

WWW.CSM-GH.COM
glhuber@...
309-662-0604

20864. Re: [DX-IS] Need CQ Zone 2 CW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-18 13:26:17 UTC
From: iain macdonnell - N6ML
Topic: 20863 Message: 20864

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73,

~iain / N6ML

20865. Re: [DX-IS] Need CQ Zone 2 CW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-18 14:54:04 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 20863 Message: 20865

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20866. Re: [DX-IS] Need CQ Zone 2 CW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-18 15:06:21 UTC
From: iain macdonnell - N6ML
Topic: 20863 Message: 20866

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20867. Re: [DX-IS] Need CQ Zone 2 CW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-18 16:36:50 UTC
From: GARY HUBER
Topic: 20863 Message: 20867

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See you in the pile-ups, contests, etc.

73 ES DX,
Gary -- AB9M

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Sent: Monday, March 18, 2013 10:06 AM
To: DX-IS@...m
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Need CQ Zone 2 CW

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20868. RE: [DX-IS] Need CQ Zone 2 CW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-18 16:39:19 UTC
From: KQ8M
Topic: 20863 Message: 20868

VE2CSI occasionally gets on and he is in Z2. He also uses Tim, M0URX, ass his QSL route so you can get it via OQRS.

73,
Tim Herrick, KQ8M
Charter Member North Coast Contesters
kq8m@...

AR-Cluster V6 kq8m.no-ip.org
User Ports: 23, 7373 with local skimmer, 7374 without local skimmer
Server Ports: V6 3607, V4 Active 3605, V4 Passive 3606

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20869. RE: [DX-IS] Need CQ Zone 2 CW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-18 17:21:00 UTC
From: VE1AL
Topic: 20863 Message: 20869

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Al, VE1AL

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20870. Re: [DX-IS] Need CQ Zone 2 CW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-18 17:26:12 UTC
From: Paul Stoetzer
Topic: 20863 Message: 20870

We're theoretically eligible for membership in the Commonwealth of Nations
as a former part of the British Empire. We should join just so American
hams can participate in the BERU contest!

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Paul, N8HM

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> Sent: Monday, March 18, 2013 10:06 AM
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
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20871. RE: [DX-IS] Need CQ Zone 2 CW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-18 18:31:16 UTC
From: VE1AL
Topic: 20863 Message: 20871

Well, then, Paul...what's stopping you????? If Rwanda can do it...hop on! ☺

Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Paul Stoetzer
Sent: Monday, March 18, 2013 2:26 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Need CQ Zone 2 CW

We're theoretically eligible for membership in the Commonwealth of Nations as a former part of the British Empire. We should join just so American hams can participate in the BERU contest!

73,

Paul, N8HM

On Mon, Mar 18, 2013 at 1:21 PM, VE1AL <ve1al@...> wrote:

Now if you guys hadn't forsaken your British heritage in 1776, you could've worked VO2AAA in the BERU a few weekends ago. Dave was all over the place as VO2AAA.

See, there's something to be said..... :-)

73

Al, VE1AL

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GARY HUBER
Sent: Monday, March 18, 2013 1:37 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Need CQ Zone 2 CW

Thank you all. I will look for VO2NS and / or try to contact him for a possible sked. I know I have NOT worked him or anyone else in ZONE 2 on CW recently as DXKeeper keeps track for me.

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20872. First Class International Forever Stamp

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-18 21:42:13 UTC
From: Richard Solomon
Topic: 20872 Message: 20872

I see the USPS has issued a new "Forever" stamp for First Class International Mail (present rate is $1.10).

Now, it's been a while since I was fluent in the UPU regs, but I remember that ALL International Mail stamps must have the denomination, in at least Arabic Numerals, imprinted on the stamp, as well as the name of the issuing entity (there is ONLY one exemption to the name rule).

I guess the regs changed recently. Any experts out there on the UPU regs ?

73, Dick, W1KSZ

20873. Re: First Class International Forever Stamp

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-18 21:57:36 UTC
From: w8jmf
Topic: 20872 Message: 20873

The US was not first to do it. I received a mailing from Finland in early January that had a new forever stamp.

73, John

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, Richard Solomon <dickw1ksz@...> wrote:
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20874. Re: First Class International Forever Stamp

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-18 22:03:08 UTC
From: w8jmf
Topic: 20872 Message: 20874

p.s. - A little quick googling netted this on Wiki:

UPU approval

The Universal Postal Union approved the use of non-denominated stamps on international mail in 1995.

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20875. RE: [DX-IS] Need CQ Zone 2 CW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-19 08:38:17 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 20863 Message: 20875

Hi Gary,

Of this I am surprised.

Zone 2 is the rarest zone for us VK6ers here in Perth. It is always a thrill for us to hear someone in Zone 2, let alone work.

I have been fortunate enough to snag VO2NS on 20/15m and was delighted to contact VO2AAA in the Beru on 20m (whom I would have loved to have made the trip on 40m but alas...).

With equinox upon us, it's prime time for zone 2 here, so will be looking out for Naz on 40m.

73, Lance - VK6DU

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of GARY HUBER
Sent: Monday, 18 March 2013 9:06 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Cc: CIDXCA
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Best regards,

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309-662-0604

20876. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-19 13:01:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 20876

:Issued: 2013 Mar 19 1241 UTC :Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu #----------# # DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC # # (RWC Belgium) # #----------# SIDC URSIGRAM 30319 SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 19 Mar 2013, 1154UT SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 19 Mar 2013 until 21 Mar 2013) SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >= 50%) GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4) SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet PREDICTIONS FOR 19 Mar 2013 10CM FLUX: 108 / AP: 001 PREDICTIONS FOR 20 Mar 2013 10CM FLUX: 105 / AP: 001 PREDICTIONS FOR 21 Mar 2013 10CM FLUX: 105 / AP: 001 COMMENT:
Current flaring activity at the Sun is low, with a C4.3 flare being the main event in the past 24 hours. Catiana region 19 (NOAA AR1698) responsible for this flare is rotating behind the west limb. An isolated C-class flare is possible, but an M-flare is unlikely.

The solar wind speed near the Earth currently is low (around 450 km/s) and the interplanetary magnetic field is at 8 nT. We expect quiet geomagnetic conditions in the next 48 hours.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 051, BASED ON 09 STATIONS. SOLAR INDICES FOR 18 Mar 2013 WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : /// 10CM SOLAR FLUX : 118 AK CHAMBON LA FORET : /// AK WINGST : 008 ESTIMATED AP : 007 ESTIMATED ISN : 075, BASED ON 15 STATIONS. NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE NONE END

20877. Re: [DX-IS] Need CQ Zone 2 CW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-19 17:47:18 UTC
From: GARY HUBER
Topic: 20863 Message: 20877

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20878. Re: [DX-IS] Need CQ Zone 2 CW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-19 18:00:26 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 20863 Message: 20878

On 3/19/2013 2:47 PM, GARY HUBER wrote:
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If you want to find something on your own, you need to do it on
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less chance of a pileup until some braggart works him and just has to
tell the world "TNX 9th Band, E-A-S-Y, One CALL!!!!!!" and the the SSB
mouse clickers are on him.

73, Paul VE1DX

20879. Band conditions again

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-19 18:15:35 UTC
From: John G.
Topic: 20879 Message: 20879

What is going on with propagation? The SFI is 115, the sunspot number is 116, the K index is 0, and I am hearing vitually no DX. To top it off, it is the equinox, which usually is a boost for propagation. These conditions really have me stumped.

John AF5CC

20880. Re: [DX-IS] Band conditions again

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-19 18:57:51 UTC
From: Jim Kehler
Topic: 20879 Message: 20880

Same here. Sounds like my antennas all fell down last nite....

73, Jim KH2D

On 3/19/2013 2:15 PM, John G. wrote:
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20881. RE: [DX-IS] Band conditions again

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-19 19:16:54 UTC
From: KQ8M
Topic: 20879 Message: 20881

A lot of EU here in Ohio. 15 And 17

73,

Tim Herrick, KQ8M

Charter Member North Coast Contesters

kq8m@...

AR-Cluster V6 kq8m.no-ip.org

User Ports: 23, 7373 with local skimmer, 7374 without local skimmer

Server Ports: V6 3607, V4 Active 3605, V4 Passive 3606

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Jim Kehler
Sent: Tuesday, March 19, 2013 2:58 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Band conditions again

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20882. Re: Band conditions again

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-19 20:02:29 UTC
From: John K5JRW
Topic: 20879 Message: 20882

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-19 22:17:29 UTC
From: GARY HUBER
Topic: 20863 Message: 20883

Paul, its not a SSB WAZ Zone two QSO that I need but a CW QSO. And for me, “doing it the hard way”, is figuring out the operator’s habits and being on frequency and ready BEFORE he tunes up or sends the first dit so as to be the first QSO of his operating session. In the past I’ve even called the DX before he I.D.’d much to their consternation. Before the skimmers, the first spots were 15 to 20 minutes AFTER the first contacts were made by the Old Men in the Dxing game so all I had to do was look for the pattern in start time and be on frequency a half hour earlier. Now there’s the reverse skimmer constellation which provides even better info.

When it comes to CW skimmers, I can play that game too. My FLEX-1500 with VAC feeding CWSkimmer provides a full 15 KHz of every CW signal received at my QTH, so that I can see all 400 of the mice calling, their individual callsigns and the 599 when they work the DX. We may not like the technology, but use it we must, lest we get left behind. Its how we use the technology Paul, that should matter to us Old Timers who like to turn the BIG KNOB, rather than click the mouse.

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From: Paul M Dunphy
Sent: Tuesday, March 19, 2013 1:00 PM
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20884. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-20 13:01:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 20884

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:Issued: 2013 Mar 20 1243 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30320
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 20 Mar 2013, 1147UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 20 Mar 2013 until 22 Mar 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >= 50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Minor geomagnetic storm expected (A>=30 or K=5)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 20 Mar 2013 10CM FLUX: 104 / AP: 012
PREDICTIONS FOR 21 Mar 2013 10CM FLUX: 102 / AP: 029
PREDICTIONS FOR 22 Mar 2013 10CM FLUX: 102 / AP: 013
COMMENT: Solar flaring activity is at C-class level with a C5.5 flare
as main event from NOAA AR1698, which is behind the west limb now. In
the next few hours solar activity is expected to be quiet. Small C-class
flares are likely with NOAA AR1692 (and AR1695) being the biggest
candidate as source region. The last 12 hours the solar wind speed was
between 400 and 500 km/s, now being 470 km/s. The Bz-component of the
interplanetary magnetic field is fluctuating between -5 and +5 nT.
Geomagnetic conditions are quiet to unsettled and are expected to
increase within the next 24 to 48 hours to active to minor storm levels,
due to the expected arrival of a halo CME of Sunday March 17 at 15h48
UT. From analysis of new data, the CME measured yesterday at 8h UT is
related to the NOAA AR 1698 and will probably not arrive at Earth.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 030, BASED ON 04 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 19 Mar 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 096
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 110
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 012
AK WINGST : 008
ESTIMATED AP : 005
ESTIMATED ISN : 047, BASED ON 21 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
END
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20885. tx5k

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-21 02:10:40 UTC
From: dale cole
Topic: 20885 Message: 20885

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TIA
Dale K8TS

20886. Re: [DX-IS] tx5k

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-21 02:13:14 UTC
From: Paul Stoetzer
Topic: 20885 Message: 20886

Looks like they haven't enabled OQRS yet. When it's enabled, a button will appear below the QSO chart after you search for your call.

73,

Paul, N8HM

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Dale K8TS

20887. Re: [DX-IS] tx5k

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-21 02:16:12 UTC
From: dale cole
Topic: 20885 Message: 20887

ok, (yes that's the part I forgot about)
Thanks Paul

From: Paul Stoetzer <N8HM@...>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Cc: dale cole <dchamguy@...>
Sent: Wed, March 20, 2013 10:13:19 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] tx5k

Looks like they haven't enabled OQRS yet. When it's enabled, a button will
appear below the QSO chart after you search for your call.

73,

Paul, N8HM

On 3/20/2013 10:10 PM, dale cole wrote:

>Appears to be uploaded to club log for oqsl requests. I remember doing it once,
>but don't remember how to request with donation. I'm sure someone can help me
>TIA
>Dale K8TS

ok

20888. Re: [DX-IS] tx5k

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-21 02:18:14 UTC
From: Derek Wills
Topic: 20885 Message: 20888

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Derek
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20889. Re: [DX-IS] tx5k

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-21 02:35:54 UTC
From: dale cole
Topic: 20885 Message: 20889

well i can sign in with my email and password.....does that mean that i have to do more to be a "joiner"? if i deleted all the groups i belong to i would have only3-4 (or less) emails a day instead of all the emails i get from dx-is, ham-antennas, 570, n3fjp, and on and on. i agree with you derek--you can only have so many fingers in so many pies. hi hi
Dale K8TS

From: Derek Wills <oo7@astro.as.utexas.edu>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wed, March 20, 2013 10:18:17 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] tx5k

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20890. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-21 13:01:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 20890

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:Issued: 2013 Mar 21 1244 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30321
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 21 Mar 2013, 1158UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 21 Mar 2013 until 23 Mar 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Quiet conditions (<50% probability of C-class flares)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 21 Mar 2013 10CM FLUX: 107 / AP: 012
PREDICTIONS FOR 22 Mar 2013 10CM FLUX: 107 / AP: 002
PREDICTIONS FOR 23 Mar 2013 10CM FLUX: 110 / AP: 001
COMMENT: Solar activity was quiet for the past 24 hours, with only a
C1.0 flare from NOAA AR1692. Solar activity is expected to remain quiet
with a slight chance for an isolated C-flare. On March 20 UT ACE
measured a jump in the interplanetary magnetic field to 11 nT (starting
at 12h UT) and in the solar wind speed to 732 km/s, probably due to the
arrival of the CME of March 17. The solar wind speed and interplanetary
magnetic field are now returning to stable values, with a current speed
of 428 km/s and a magnetic field of 6 nT. Geomagnetic conditions in
Dourbes reached active levels (K=4) from 0 to 6 UT this morning.
Geomagnetic activity is expected to return to quiet levels and remain so
for the next 48 hours.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 032, BASED ON 13 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 20 Mar 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 108
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 032
AK WINGST : 011
ESTIMATED AP : 011
ESTIMATED ISN : 036, BASED ON 15 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
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20891. Re: [DX-IS] Re: First Class International Forever Stamp

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-21 13:59:22 UTC
From: Jerry Keller (K3BZ)
Topic: 20872 Message: 20891

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that the new International "Global Forever" stamp is ROUND.... if true,
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20892. Re: [DX-IS] Re: First Class International Forever Stamp

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-21 14:16:58 UTC
From: KD0Q-Glenn
Topic: 20872 Message: 20892

Don't know if it's a first, but they are round!

Just got some yesterday and thought they were a round picture on a
square stamp until I just now looked closer at them.

73, Glenn -KD0Q

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20893. Re: [DX-IS] Re: First Class International Forever Stamp

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-21 14:35:33 UTC
From: Richard Solomon
Topic: 20872 Message: 20893

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20894. Re: [DX-IS] Re: First Class International Forever Stamp

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-21 14:58:48 UTC
From: iain macdonnell - N6ML
Topic: 20872 Message: 20894

This is worth a quick scan, when you've worked XR0YG on all the bands
they've been on so-far........

http://www.darkroastedblend.com/2010/05/peculiar-postage-unusual-stamps-from.html

73 :)

~iain / N6ML

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20895. RE: [DX-IS] Re: First Class International Forever Stamp

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-21 17:49:15 UTC
From: VE1AL
Topic: 20872 Message: 20895

From their issuance in 2012, I used Canada's oversized Titanic stamp on most outgoing cards to overseas destinations. I didn't keep track to the number I used but it would have been a minimum of two dozen. This stamp may have been the largest stamp ever issued in Canada (after all, the Titanic was huge).

The rate of return on those cards has been dismal. This leads me to believe that the envelopes and their contents disappeared some time before they reached the addressee.

Using special commemorative stamps is nice (and I certainly appreciate it when I receive them) but I'm beginning to re-think my use special stamps in the future.

73

Al, VE1AL

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of iain macdonnell - N6ML
Sent: Thursday, March 21, 2013 11:59 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: First Class International Forever Stamp

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20896. ARLD012 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-21 22:55:37 UTC
From: jjreisert@...
Topic: 2583 Message: 20896

SB DX @ ARL $ARLD012
ARLD012 DX news

ZCZC AE12
QST de W1AW
DX Bulletin 12 ARLD012
>From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT March 21, 2013
To all radio amateurs

SB DX ARL ARLD012
ARLD012 DX news

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by NC1L, The Weekly DX, the OPDX Bulletin, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, DXNL, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

RWANDA, 9X. Kiyo, JR1IZM is QRV as 9X0ZM in Kigali and expects to stay here for a year. He is active in his free time on 40 to 10 meters using mainly PSK31 and JT65 with some CW and SSB. QSL via JO1CRA.

TONGA, A3. Jacek, SP5EAQ will be QRV as A3EAQ from Tongatapu Island, IOTA OC-049, from March 26 to April 16. Activity will be on 80 to 10 meters using only SSB. QSL to home call.

BHUTAN, A5. Yuki, JH1NBN is QRV as A52W in his spare time until March 26 while here on business. QSL direct to home call.

EASTER ISLAND, CE0. Operators G7VJR, G3TXF, G4IRN and G3ZAY are QRV as XR0YG until March 27. Activity is on 160 to 10 meters using mostly CW. QSL via G3TXF.

IRELAND, EI. Olivier, ON4EI is QRV as EI8GQB from Fethard, IOTA EU-115, until April 3 using green power. He will be active as EI1A in the upcoming CW WW WPX SSB contest. QSL to home call.

MAYOTTE ISLAND, FH. Hartwig, DL7BC will be QRV as TO7BC or FH/DL7BC from March 26 to April 12. Activity will be on the HF bands using RTTY and PSK31. This includes being an entry in the upcoming CQ WW WPX SB contest. QSL to home call.

SWITZERLAND, HB. Members of the Tera Radio Club are QRV with special event call sign HB30OK until the end of 2013 in celebration of their 30th anniversary. They will also be active in the upcoming CQ WW WPX SSB contest as a Multi/Single entry. QSL via HB9OCR.

THAILAND, HS. Tana, E27EK plans to be QRV as E27EK/p from Chang Island, IOTA AS-125, on March 26. Activity will be on all HF bands. QSL to home call.

ALAND ISLANDS, OH0. Pertti, OG2W and Raimo, OH0BCI are QRV as OH0/OG2W until March 24. Activity is on all band and modes. QSL via OG2W.

BONAIRE, PJ4. Operators Steven, W1SRD and Dean, N6DE will be QRV as PJ4/home calls from March 26 to April 1. Activity will be on the HF bands with a focus on RTTY. They will also be active as PJ4D as a Multi-2 entry in the upcoming CQ WW WPX SSB contest. QSL contest call direct via W1SRD and all others to home calls.

GREECE, SV. Markus, DJ4EL will be QRV as SV8/DJ4EL from the islands of Proti and Sapientza, IOTA EU-158, from March 25 to 29. Activity will be on 15 meters. QSL to home call.

TUVALU, T2. Rich, DK8YY, Detlef, DL3ALI and Ingolf, DL4JS will be QRV as T2YY from March 23 to April 4 from Funafuti Atoll. Activity will be with two stations on the HF bands using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL to DH7WW.

SOMALIA, T5. Tevfik, TA1HZ will be QRV as T5TC in Mogadishu from March 23 to April 4 while working on a humanitarian mission. QSL to home call.

ASIATIC RUSSIA, UA0. Vlad, RV3EFH will be QRV as RV3EFH/0 from Bolshevik Island, IOTA AS-042, from March 25 to October 2014. Activity will be on 40, 20, 15 and 10 meters using CW, SSB and various digital modes. QSL direct via RZ3EA.

UZBEKISTAN, UK. Operator UA1ZEY is QRV as UK/UA1ZEY from Samarkand until March 31. Activity is on the HF bands using CW and SSB. QSL direct to home call.

MARSHALL ISLANDS, V7. Ted, JF1CCH is QRV as V73TS until March 26. Activity is on 40 to 10 meters using only CW. QSL to home call.

NIUE, ZK2. Alan, VK4WR and Graeme, VK4FI are QRV as E6RQ and E6SG, respectively, until March 29. Activity is mainly on 6 meters with some HF. QSL both calls direct via VK4FI.

OPERATION APPROVED FOR DXCC CREDIT. The following operation is approved for DXCC credit: Rwanda, 9X0ZM, 2013 operation.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. QRP CW Fox Hunt, NCCC RTTY Sprint, NCCC Sprint, FOC CW QSO Party, Nauryz DX Contest, Alaska QSO Party and the UBA Spring SSB Contest are all scheduled for this upcoming weekend. The SKCC CW Sprint, CWops Mini-CWT CW Test and QRP CW Fox Hunt are scheduled for March 27. Please see March QST, page 84, and the ARRL and WA7BNM Contest websites for details.
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20897. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-22 13:01:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 20897

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-22 13:58:11 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 20898

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:Issued: 2013 Mar 22 1305 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
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SIDC URSIGRAM 30322
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 22 Mar 2013, 1236UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 22 Mar 2013 until 24 Mar 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >= 50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 22 Mar 2013 10CM FLUX: 104 / AP: 002
PREDICTIONS FOR 23 Mar 2013 10CM FLUX: 104 / AP: 001
PREDICTIONS FOR 24 Mar 2013 10CM FLUX: 104 / AP: 001
COMMENT: Flaring activity of the last few hours mainly originated from
active region NOAA 1692, which is at the west limb now. The largest
solar flare was an M1.6 flare which occurred at 21 March 22h UT. A CME
was associated with this flare, visible in LASCO as well as in STEREO A
and B. The CME seems to propagate to the west. At most we expect a
glancing blow of this CME to arrive at Earth. We are currently under
influence of a slow solar wind with a speed varying between 350 and 450
km/s and an interplanetary magnetic field with a magnitude of 6 nT.
Geomagnetic conditions are quiet and are expected to remain so for the
next 48 hours.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 033, BASED ON 10 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 21 Mar 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 106
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 009
AK WINGST : 014
ESTIMATED AP : 016
ESTIMATED ISN : 033, BASED ON 19 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
21 2142 2204 2236 W limb M1.6 1f 106 III/1 1692
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20899. Re: First Class International Forever Stamp

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-22 16:22:07 UTC
From: w8jmf
Topic: 20872 Message: 20899

First round one I remember but someone else recalled a round Express mail stamp. The Forever stamp on the letter I got from Finland was also round so maybe that's the preferred shape for International Forever stamps at this point in time. I dunno...

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20900. ARLP012 Propagation de K7RA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-22 18:10:03 UTC
From: jjreisert@...
Topic: 2832 Message: 20900

SB PROP @ ARL $ARLP012
ARLP012 Propagation de K7RA

ZCZC AP12
QST de W1AW
Propagation Forecast Bulletin 12 ARLP012
>From Tad Cook, K7RA
Seattle, WA March 22, 2013
To all radio amateurs

SB PROP ARL ARLP012
ARLP012 Propagation de K7RA

Average daily sunspot numbers over the past week (March 14-20) were up 16.2 points to 101.1, while average daily solar flux remained about the same, rising from 118.5 to 119. An eruption on March 15 caused a CME (Coronal Mass Ejection) which struck Earth on March 17, causing the planetary A index to jump to 46.

The predicted solar flux is 105 on March 22, 100 on March 23-27, 105 on March 28, 100 on March 29-30, 105 on March 31, 110 and 120 on April 1-2, 125 on April 3-6, 120 on April 7-8, 115 on April 9, 110 on April 10-11, then 105, 100, 120, 115 and 110 on April 12-16.

The planetary A index is predicted to be 8 on March 22-23, 5 on March 24-26, 12 on March 27-28, 10 on March 29, 5 on March 30 through April 16, and 8 on April 17.

F.K. Janda, OK1HH of the Czech Propagation Interest Group predicts the geomagnetic field will be quiet to active March 22, quiet to unsettled March 23, quiet March 24, mostly quiet March 25, quiet March 26, active to disturbed March 27-28, quiet to active March 29 and mostly quiet March 30-31.

He continues with quiet April 1-3, mostly quiet April 4, quiet April 5, quiet to unsettled April 6, quiet April 7, quiet to unsettled April 8, quiet April 9, mostly quiet April 10, quiet to unsettled April 11 and active to disturbed April 12.

Last weekend on March 16-18 the planetary A index was 10, 46 and 7. How well did our sources of geomagnetic forecasts foresee this?

>From late January through March 11, NOAA/USAF predicted a planetary A index value of 5 for all three days. This seems to be their default predicted value for low activity. I've never seen them issue a prediction for an A index value below 5, even though since the first of the year the planetary A index has been below this value on

January 1-12, 15, 21-24, 28-31, February 1, 3-6, 9-12, 15, 18, 24-25, 27, March 4-8, 10 and 13.

Their forecast was revised on March 12, when the values changed to 10, 5 and 5. That changed to 12, 5 and 5 on March 13-14, and on March 15, the forecast for March 16-18 was 12, 39 and 20. So two days prior to the event, they predicted 39 for March 17, which is not bad.

What did OK1HH predict for those dates? On February 28 the prediction was quiet to unsettled on March 16, and mostly quiet March 17-18. The March 7 prediction was quiet to unsettled on March 16-17 and quiet March 18. The March 14 prediction was quiet to unsettled March 16-17 and mostly quiet March 18, echoing the prediction from two weeks prior. Of course, the U.S. government source has the advantage of releasing a new prediction every day.

Spaceweather.com issued an alert about the event on Friday, March 15 at 2355 UTC. The message titled "Geomagnetic Storm Warning" said, "A magnetic eruption on the Sun during the early hours of March 15th hurled a coronal mass ejection (CME) directly toward Earth. NOAA forecasters estimate a 70% chance of polar geomagnetic storms when the CME arrives on March 17th."

Jack Kelley, K4WY of Fairfax Station, Virginia had an unusual experience on a seemingly dead band on Sunday. He wrote, "I had some interesting propagation in the wake of the CME last weekend. After checking the bands (160-10) the sole station I found was 5T0JL at S9 on 30 meters - we worked each other easily - and after listening to Jean's following QSOs I found he was working W6s almost exclusively. Again no other signal, anywhere. So how did this occur? The path was assumed to be east-west, and in darkness, but all the W6 QSOs stumped me, particularly after the worst of the CME effects. A similar scenario happened with 6V7S later that same evening as he plowed through the extremely high QRN."

This was Sunday night local time, 0130-0200z Monday. We ran this by Carl Luetzelschwab, K9LA, who indicated that the path through low latitudes was the key to success.

He wrote, "The effects from elevated K indices due to a CME include modification to the worldwide F2 region ionization. Generally the mid and high latitudes see a depletion of electrons, whereas low latitudes aren't affected too much (or even see an enhancement)."

He ran some numbers using the Space Weather Prediction Center STORM model, and said, "In both hemispheres the F2 region ionization was depleted significantly around 0200 UTC on 18 March. But the ionization at low latitudes in both hemispheres fared much better.

"Additionally, was there perhaps some 'spotlight' propagation going on? Could be. The ionosphere is very dynamic, especially under

disturbed conditions."

The day after the big blast, the New York Times ran an interesting article on solar flares and possible effects on the power grid, satellites and communications. Check it out at http://www.nytimes.com/interactive/2013/03/19/science/space/0319-solar.html and don't forget to click on the link, "Related Article," which takes you here: http://www.nytimes.com/2013/03/19/science/space/on-the-watch-for-a-solar-storm.html.

If you would like to make a comment or have a tip for our readers, email the author at, k7ra@....

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service at http://arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals. For an explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin, see http://arrl.org/the-sun-the-earth-the-ionosphere. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at http://arrl.org/w1aw-bulletins-archive-propagation. Find more good information and tutorials on propagation at http://myplace.frontier.com/~k9la/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://arrl.org/propagation.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of ARRL bulletins are at http://arrl.org/bulletins.

Sunspot numbers for March 14 through 20 were 133, 105, 90, 126, 116, 68, and 70, with a mean of 101.1. 10.7 cm flux was 122.8, 123.1, 126, 125.7, 117.6, 110.4, and 107.6, with a mean of 119. Estimated planetary A indices were 5, 6, 10, 46, 7, 5, and 9, with a mean of 12.6. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 4, 5, 8, 32, 6, 4, and 7, with a mean of 9.4.
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20901. tx5k qsl

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From: dale cole
Topic: 20901 Message: 20901

OQSL seems to be running but shows bureau only? Am I missing something? Want to order direct and donate
Dale K8TS

20902. 425 DX News - #1142

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Topic: 20902 Message: 20902

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** DX INFORMATION ****
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9V - Alan, G0RCI will be in Singapore and hopefully Malaysia on 1-12 April. He plans to operate as 9V1/G0RCI and 9M2/G0RCI "as much as the XYL allows". QSL via home call (direct). [TNX G0RCI]
C6 - Chuck, KG9N will be active as KG9N/C6A from Grand Bahama (NA-080) from 28 March to 4 April, including an entry in the CQ WW WPX SSB Contest. QSL via home call, direct or bureau, and LoTW. [TNX The Daily DX]
CT8 - Frank, PA4N and Dervin, PD9DX will be active as CT8/PA4N and CS8/PD9DX from Sao Miguel (EU-003), Azores from 26 March to 3 April. They will operate SSB and CW on the HF bands and maybe on 6 metres. Look for CS8/PD9DX to participate in the CQ WPX SSB Contest. QSL via home calls. [TNX NG3K]
DU - Dindo, DV1UD will visiting the islands of Bongao (OC-174), Tawi Tawi (OC-174) and Taganak (OC-225) in early April. He expects to leave Manila on 2 April, to reach Bongao by the 4th or 5th and to stay on each island for 2-3 days. This is not a DXpedition, but Dindo "will grab this opportunity to activate these rare IOTAs between his work commitments". He expects to be signing DX8DX on SSB and CW, running 100 watts into a loop antenna. QSL via M0OXO. Bookmark www.m0oxo.com/dx8dx.html for updates. [TNX The Daily DX]
GM - Graham, MM0GHM will be active as MM0GHM/m from the Isle of Barra (EU-010) on 24-29 March. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX rsgbiota.org]
H4 - The tentative dates for the H4 IOTA Tour [425DXN 1141] are as follows:
1-4 June H44 New Georgia OC-149
6-8 June H44 Russell Islands OC-168
10-13 June H44 Florida Islands OC-158
17-24 June H44 Stewart Island OC-285
1-7 July H40 Nendo Island OC-100
9-12 July H40 Vanikolo/Utupua OC-163
14-16 July H40 Reef Islands OC-065
Actual dates may vary due to the nature of the tour. Activity will be on 80-10 metres SSB and CW. Bookmark http://h44iota.com/ for updates.
KH2 - AH6KY (JA1MFR), NY8A (JG1ITH), W3JH (JR3QFB), W6LJ (JA1OZK) and

AI2K will be active as NH2KY (QSL via JR3QFB) from Guam (OC-026)
from 29 March to 2 April. They will participate in the CQ WW WPX
SSB Contest as KH2KY (QSL via JA1MFR). [TNX NG3K]
P4 - Helmut, DF7ZS will be active again from Aruba (SA-036) from 26
March to 3 April. He will participate in the CQ WW WPX SSB Contest
as P40Z; outside the contest he will be casual operating on the
WARC bands. QSL via W3HNK [TNX NG3K]
PJ4 - Steve, W1SRD and Dean, N6DE will participate in the CQ WW WPX SSB
Contest as PJ4D (QSL via LoTW or direct to W1SRD) from Bonaire
(SA-006). Outside the contest, between 26 March and 1 April, they
will be QRV as PJ4/homecall with a focus on RTTY. QSL via home
calls. [TNX OPDX Bulletin]
SV - Markus, DJ4EL will be active from IOTA group EU-158 between 25 and
29 March. He plans to operate as SV8/DJ4EL from both Proti (25-26
March) and Sapientza (28-29 March), using battery power on 15
metres only. QSL via home call. [TNX DX World]
VE - David, VE3VID is QRV in his spare time as VY0/VE3VID from Igloolik
Island (NA-174) until 29 March [425DXN 1141]. Ray, N6VR has
arranged a sked with him this Sunday, 24 March at 16 UTC (during
David's lunch break), on 14260 and up. "I am looking for guys to
email before the schedule so that I can have a list ready to run",
Ray says. You can email him at rayn6vr[@]cableone.net
VK9C - Chris, GM3WOJ and Keith, GM4YXI will be active as VK9CZ from the
Cocos-Keeling Islands (OC-003) from 30 March to 13 April [425DXN
1139]. They will operate SSB, CW and some RTTY on 160-10 metres.
They hope to have a real-time logging system and to upload to Club
Log and LoTW on a daily basis. QSL via N3SL. Further information
and updates at www.vk9cz.com.
VP9 - Kei, KG2A will be active as KG2A/VP9 from Bermuda (NA-005) from 29
March to 1 April. His main focus will be the CQ WW WPX SSB
Contest, with limited activity (mainly CW) before and after the
contest. QSL direct to KG2A.
XW - Steve, 9M6DXX will be active as XW8XZ from near Vientiane, Laos
between 30 March and 3 April. He will operate holiday style on SSB
only, using 100 watts (the maximum power permitted by the licence)
to a Butternut HF6V-X antenna with 12/17m kit. QSL via M0URX,
direct or bureau (OQRS at www.m0urx.com). Logs will be uploaded to
LoTW as quickly as possible after the operation. [TNX 9M6DXX]
YB - Hajar YB8HZ and Ram YB8BRI will be active (SSB, CW and RTTY) as
homecall/p from Balang Lompo (OC-236) on 27-31 March. They will
run two stations using a dipole for 40m and a hex beam for 30, 20,
17, 15 and 10 metres. Electricity will be available only between
10 and 16 UTC, and they will use battery power at other times.
[TNX JN6RZM]

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**** GOOD TO KNOW ... ****
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DXCC NEWS ---> 9X0ZM (Rwanda, 2013 operation) has been approved for DXCC credit. [TNX NC1L]

OC-245 ---> Logsearch and OQRS for the recent IOTA DXpedition to Pulau Breueh can be found at www.mdxc.org/oc-245/log-on-line/.

ITALY: NEW PREFIX ---> All of the possible callsigns in the IZ-prefixed series (IZ#AAA-IZ#ZZZ) have been issued; newly licensed amateur radio operators in Italy will get callsigns with the IU prefix.

+ SILENT KEY + The DX community mourns the loss of Luis Chartarifsky, XE1L, who was stricken with a major heart attack shortly after returning to San Diego after the TX5K Clipperton Island DXpedition. A DXer, a contester and a DXpeditioner, over the years he participated in several major operations, such as XF4L (1989), 3Y0PI (1994), XR0Y & XR0Z (Easter Island & Salas y Gomez 1995), XZ0A (2000), 9M0M (Spratly Islands 2001), S07L (2002), TZ6RD (2003) and 9N7MD (2011). He was also involved in several IOTA activations, notably from three Mexican "new ones" back in 1993. An on-line condolences book, set up by the Radio Club Satelite, can be found at http://www.xe1rcs.org.mx/xe1l.
Other recently reported Silent Keys include Petras Mikalajunas (LY1PM, ex UP2BBB), Vladimir E. Sviridov (UA6AGK), Aleksandr P. Denisov (UR5FEL) and Jayant Bharamgonda Patil (VU2JBP, ex VU2JCX).

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******* QSL ROUTES *******
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CALL MANAGER CALL MANAGER CALL MANAGER
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2W0VOW EB7DX ED5T EA5ELT LZ60RCP LZ1JZ
3B8FQ K5XK EG7HR EA7NL N6NY/NH2 JK1FUP
3B9FR HB9SLO EH5SIP EA5HRD NN1X/KH6 JG3JLC
3Z20RE SP5DZC EI13CLAN EI6AL OD5QB YO3FRI
4A2I XE2I EM70LL UX4LL OG3077F OH3JF
4J6RO 4K4K EY8MM K1BV OH0BCI OH2BCI
4O7TC UA3TCJ GB75HMSB G0TOC PD70AW PD2RKG
4S7TRG OK1CZ GD100C M0OXO PJ7/N0TG AA4VK
4X0W UT5UGR GW100C M0OXO PJ7/N1SNB AA4VK
5B4ALB RT9T GX5MW/P M6VFC R100AP UA9XL
5T0JL ON8RA GX8HRC G3SVK RG61PP RZ3LC
5V7BR F2VX H40T DL7DF RI1ANU ZS1OIN
5V7JD F8AEJ H44G DL7DF S503EO S53EO
7Q7BP G3MRC HB10BE HB9BE SN3WIOSNA SP3WVL
7T9A 7X2ARA HC1MD K8LJG SU9VB UA4WHX
7Z1HL DJ9ZB HF3WIOSNA SP3GVX T2GM GM4FDM

8Q7NC F6BGC HF660OL SP4ICP T30MK PY2WAS
8Q7WK OE1MWW HI0UD ON4IQ T88TF JA1VND
9A65S 9A1DFG HS0ZEF OE2ASL TU2CI TF3ZA
9H3ET G3LET HS0ZJF/9 ON4AFU UA0YAY IK2QPR
9K2F 9K2HN HV0A IK0FVC V31RC K5RCR
9M4SLL M0URX HV50VR I0JBL V31RT WB1EAZ
9V1DR JF3DVR II0IDR IZ0FVD V44KAI W5TFW
9X0ZM JO1CRA II0IEE IW0EFA V73TS JF1CCH
A61DJ IZ8CLM II0IGU IZ0EGC VK0JJJ K7CO
A61ZX IZ8CLM II1ICS I1SAF VP8LIZ VP8LP
A62A IZ8CLM II1IGG I2AZ VQ9JC ND9M
AC2CX/KH2 JE1JAC II3ICZ IW3IE WP2KY JR3QFB
C4I G3VYI II5IDK IQ5LI XR0YG G3TXF
C6AMM K1CN II5ISS IZ5JLW XW4XR E21EIC
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CF3A VE3AT II7ICT IZ7AUH YB3MM/6 IZ8CCW
CN2R W7EJ II9ICF IT9MRM YB6AR/p IZ8CCW
CO2IZ EA1EAU II9IGA IT9YEM YF1AR/6 IZ8CCW
CO6LC EA5GL J79GV KK4GV Z320W Z35W
CP4BT EA5KB JW7QIA LA7QIA ZD8RAF G1EUZ
CS250CLE CS5RPT KH0XH JE1XUZ ZF2AH W6VNR
D2EB IZ3ETU KH0XW JQ2WTT ZF2UL K3UL
D70LW DS4NYE KH2/K2IO JA2JWH ZL7LC EB7DX
DU9AQQ EA5GL KP2/KI3DNN JI3DNN ZV2K PY2SHF
EA8OM DJ1OJ LY23A LY5A ZX5ZZ PY5PDC

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20903. 425 DX Calendar - #1142

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20904. Re: First Class International Forever Stamp

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From: John
Topic: 20872 Message: 20904

IMHO, using any stamp that attracts attention only increases the probability that your envelope will be stolen rather than delivered. I use the Automated Postal Center at my local post office, which prints very plain computer-generated stamps.

73,

John, K9MM

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, KD0Q-Glenn <kd0q@...> wrote:
>
> Don't know if it's a first, but they are round!
>
> Just got some yesterday and thought they were a round picture on a
> square stamp until I just now looked closer at them.
>
> 73, Glenn -KD0Q

20905. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-23 14:10:30 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 20905

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# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
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SIDC URSIGRAM 30323
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 23 Mar 2013, 1208UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 23 Mar 2013 until 25 Mar 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Quiet conditions (<50% probability of C-class flares)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 23 Mar 2013 10CM FLUX: 098 / AP: 004
PREDICTIONS FOR 24 Mar 2013 10CM FLUX: 098 / AP: 004
PREDICTIONS FOR 25 Mar 2013 10CM FLUX: 100 / AP: 003
COMMENT: Solar activity has been low during the past day with a few
small C-flares originating from active region NOAA 1692, located behind
the west limb. Solar activity is expected to be low for the next 48
hours. The solar wind speed is around 370 km/s and the Bz-component of
the interplanetary magnetic field is fluctuating between -5 and +5 nT.
Geomagnetic conditions have been quiet and are expected to remain so for
the next 48 hours.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 033, BASED ON 04 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 22 Mar 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 054
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 101
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 014
AK WINGST : 007
ESTIMATED AP : 005
ESTIMATED ISN : 033, BASED ON 15 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
END
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20906. Re: [DX-IS] Re: First Class International Forever Stamp

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-23 15:54:28 UTC
From: Tom Anderson
Topic: 20872 Message: 20906

The machine purchased DX airmail and conventional (read domestic) "stamps" at my
Auto USPS (just inside the door of the post office) mail center are rectangular.

Tom, WW5L

----- Original Message ----
> From: John <johnb3030@...>
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> Sent: Sat, March 23, 2013 8:43:00 AM
> Subject: [DX-IS] Re: First Class International Forever Stamp
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> IMHO, using any stamp that attracts attention only increases the probability
>that your envelope will be stolen rather than delivered. I use the Automated
>Postal Center at my local post office, which prints very plain
>computer-generated stamps.
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> 73,
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> John, K9MM
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> --- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, KD0Q-Glenn <kd0q@...> wrote:
> >
> > Don't know if it's a first, but they are round!
> >
> > Just got some yesterday and thought they were a round picture on a
> > square stamp until I just now looked closer at them.
> >
> > 73, Glenn -KD0Q
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> Yahoo! Groups Links
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20907. tx5k

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-24 01:14:28 UTC
From: dale cole
Topic: 20885 Message: 20907

oqsl up and running now for direct qsl

dale k8ts

20908. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-24 13:01:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 20908

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:Issued: 2013 Mar 24 1245 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
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SIDC URSIGRAM 30324
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 24 Mar 2013, 1200UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 24 Mar 2013 until 26 Mar 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Quiet conditions (<50% probability of C-class flares)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 24 Mar 2013 10CM FLUX: 098 / AP: 003
PREDICTIONS FOR 25 Mar 2013 10CM FLUX: 098 / AP: 001
PREDICTIONS FOR 26 Mar 2013 10CM FLUX: 100 / AP: 001
COMMENT: Solar activity has been very low during the past 24 hours. A
backsided CME propagating to the south was observed in STEREO A and B
and LASCO from 12h UT on 23 March. STEREO A/B EUV 195 images showed the
eruption to originate from NOAA AR1689. No Earth-directed component is
expected. A small low-latitude coronal hole is approaching the central
meridian. We expect arrival of the associated fast flow on 28 March. At
19h UT on 23 March, solar wind speed increased to 450 km/s and the
magnitude of the interplanetary magnetic field increased to 10 nT. The
K-index in Dourbes and Izmiran went to K=4. This was possibly related to
the arrival of the CME of 19 March. Geomagnetic conditions are quiet
again and expected to remain so for the next 48 hours.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 029, BASED ON 02 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 23 Mar 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 098
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 023
AK WINGST : 012
ESTIMATED AP : 013
ESTIMATED ISN : 034, BASED ON 13 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
END
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20909. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1105

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-24 18:45:11 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 20909 Message: 20909

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The Ohio/Penn DX PacketCluster
DX Bulletin No. 1105
BID: $OPDX.1105
March 25, 2013
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 17th-March, through Sunday, 24th-Mar there were 234 countries active. Countries available: 1S, 3A, 3B8, 3B9, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4X, 5B, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5W, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8Q, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9Q, 9U, 9V, 9X, 9Y, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C5, C6, CE, CE0Y, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E6, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FH, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FS, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H3, H4, H40, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J5, J6, J7, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JX, JY, K, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ5, PJ7, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S2, S5, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T2, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TT, TU, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V3, V4, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VP2E, VP5, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XT, XU, XW, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, Z8, ZA, ZB, ZD7, ZD8, ZD9, ZF, ZL, ZL7, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

2014 ANTARCTICA AND SOUTH AMERICAN TOUR. David, K3LP, has announced on his Web page that he will be operating from the Antarctica; Port Stanley, Falkland Islands; Chile, Argentina and Uruguay between February 2-16th, 2014. He informs OPDX that this is a family vacation and plans to operate

a few hours at each location (listed below) along the way. He plans to take a vertical antenna and IC-7000 on the trip. The tentative schedule and callsigns are as follows:
February 2-16th - Buenos Aires, Argentina; callsign LU/K3LP
February 6th - Ushualia, Argentina; callsign LU/K3LP
February 7th - Cape Horn, Chile; callsign CE/K3LP
February 8th - Schollart Channel, Antarctica; callsign ??/K3LP
February 8th - Paradise Bay, Antarctica; callsign ??/K3LP
February 8th - Gerlache Straight; callsign K3LP/MM
February 9th - Elephant Island, Antarctica; callsign ??/K3LP
February 11th - Port Stanley, Falkland Islands; callsign VP8/K3LP
February 13th - Puerto Madryn, Argentina; callsign LU/K3LP
February 15th - Montevideo, Uruguay; callsign CX/K3LP
QSL via his home callsign.

3B7C BOOK. During the middle of April, Pete, SM5GMZ, will releases another photo book (approx. 90 page) about the 2007 Saint Brandon DXpedition. Pete was one of the 20 operators who together managed to work 137,500 QSOs during an absolute sunspot minimum. The book consists of a large number of images, all in full color. In texts, Pete describes how it is to be on an uninhabited atoll in the middle of the southern Indian Ocean where nothing but amateur radio and satellite phones work. He also tries to explain the joy of endless multi-layer pile-ups and describes the enormous planning that comes with a DXpedition of this magnitude. For more info and details on how to order the book, see: http://www.3b7cbook.com

7T50/7T9, ALGERIA (Just Reminder). Members of the Algerian Radio Amateurs (ARA) will activate special event callsigns 7T9A (until March 30th, from Palais des Rais [Bastion 23] in Algier City; WCA 7X-00012) and 7T50ARA (until May 30th) to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Algerian Amateur Radio Association. Activity will be on all bands and modes. QSL both callsigns by the Bureau or direct (NO IRCs) to: PO Box 1, Algiers RP 16000, Algeria.

A3, TONGA (Reminder). Jacek, SP5EAQ, will be active as A3EAQ from Tongatapu Island (OC-049) between March 26th and April 16th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters SSB only. QSL via SP5EAQ, direct or by the Bureau. For more details and updates, watch: http://sp5drh.com/a3eaq

C6, BAHAMAS. Chuck, KG9N, will be active as KG9N/C6A from Grand Bahama (NA-080) between March 28th and April 4th. Activity will include the CQWW WPX SSB Contest. QSL via LoTW (preferred), direct or by the Bureau.

CY0, SABLE ISLAND. Operators Gary/VE1RGB and Murray/WA4DAN are pleased to announce a DXpedition to Sable Island between October 1-11th, 2013. Approvals are in hand from Parks Canada and the Canadian Coast Guard. They have chartered with Maritime Air Charter LTD to provide the Britten Norman Islander aircraft for landing on the beach. The callsign CY0P has been issued for the October DXpedition. The CY0P(Parks) callsign was chosen in recognition of the newest National Park in Canada. VE1RGB is a veteran of two previous CY0 DXpeditions and is a top CW contester.

WA4DAN has coordinated two previous CY0 DXpeditions, including the October 2012 DXpedition that was cut short due to Hurricane Sandy. An all bands 160-10 meters, CW/SSB/RTTY operation is planned. Look for more details to follow in the coming months.

DXCC NEWS. Bill Moore, NC1L, ARRL Awards Branch Manager, reports that the following operation is approved for DXCC credit:
9X0ZM ☐ Rwanda; 2013 operation

E5, SOUTH COOK ISLANDS. Bruce, ZL1AAO, will once again be active as E51AAO from Rarotonga Island (OC-013) between May 3-17th. Activity will be holiday style, and he will be operational on SSB only, 40-10 meters, using 100 watts to a dipole or 1/4 wave GP antennas. QSL via LoTW, eQSL and direct only; sorry no Bureau cards. He will upload the log when he returns home.

E5, SOUTH COOK ISLANDS. Tony, ZL2AGY, will once again be active as E51AGY from Rarotonga Island (OC-013) starting May 7th for about 24 days. He states, "This will be a CW only operation running my K3 barefoot, and may include some form of activity in the WPX CW Contest during the last weekend of May..... I hope to be reasonably active, but the food, the weather, the sea, the people, are all very pleasant in Raro, so I might have other things to occupy my time as well!" QSL via his home callsign, direct (preferred - see details on QRZ.com).

EI, IRELAND. Olivier, ON4EI, will once again be active as EI8GQB and EI1A between March 23rd and April 3rd. He plans to operate from his caravan using green energy. Olivier will activate EI1A callsign during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 30-31st) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. His objective is to run the 48 hour contest with green energy only and score among the "TOP 10" European stations. You can follow his activities and antenna experimentation on: http://www.qrz.com/db/EI8GQB
This is a very interesting QRZ.com page. There you will find a live information banner with on air frequencies and information. His equipment will consist of:
18m top loaded vertical monopole for 160-80m-40m bands + 32 radials.
3 elements East-West directional inverted V beam for 40m band.
200m long beverage RX antenna East-West directional.
2 Spiderbeam antennas for 20/15/10m bands.
Rigs are Elecraft K3+P3 & Kenwood TS2000 100W.
500Ah battery bank + 180W solar panel and 400W wind generator.
Also, live video streaming will be provided on:
http://www.ustream.tv/channel/ei8gqb
QSL via PA3249, direct or by the Bureau.

FOC EVENT (And Award). To commemorate their 75th anniversary in May, the FOC (First Class CW Operators' Club) is holding a month-long on-air event featuring more than 20 special ☐FOC☐ suffix calls. These will include GB75FOC, a special anniversary callsign for their club station. (GP4FOC will be used when operating from Guernsey, GS4FOC from Scotland and GT4FOC from Isle of Man). There will be many other FOC callsigns

from the USA and VE and from more exotic locations such as VQ9, HZ1 and 5T. Stations will gain points for contacting any FOC member and a beautiful certificate will be presented to stations who reach certain point levels. Complete details are available on the FOC Web page at: http://www.g4foc.org/Default.aspx?pageId=1537887

FR, REUNION ISLAND. Cyril, FR4NT, will be active during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 30-31st) as a Single-Op/Low-Power entry. QSL via FR4NT direct (NO IRCs).

GB0, ENGLAND (CASHOTA Monument Ops). Look for John, M0JFE, of the Fleetwood Radio Enthusiast Group, (along with the help of others) to activate some CASHOTA monuments during the month of April. He has obtained the special callsign GB0FRG. His tentative schedule is as follows:
April 2nd - The Mount Pavilion & Tour of the Clock Workings; Reference numbers: LR SD333481, WAB SD34 and QRA IO83LW
April 9th - I.O.M Ferry Berth (Location where the Anchors of the Titanic where transferred from Train to Ship to be shipped to Belfast); Reference numbers: LR SD340483, WAB SD34 and QRA IO83LW
April 16th - War memorial in Memorial Park Fleetwood; Reference numbers: LR SD328474, WAB SD34 and QRA IO83LW

April 23rd - Activation Jubilee Towers Quernmore just outside of Lancaster; Reference numbers: LR SD542573, WAB SD55 and QRA IO84PA
Activity will be on 80-10 meters and 2m & 70cm; propagation dependant. Stations that work ALL 4 activations and E-mail in their log to <gb0frg@...> will be E-mailed a special certificate from their club. The club's Web site is: http://www.fleetwoodradiogroup.moonfruit.com/#

GJ, JERSEY (Update/Callsign Change). Richrad, M5RIC, will be active as GJ2A (not MJ2Z) for the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 30-31st) as a Single-Op/All Band/High Power entry. QSL via M5RIC. He will sign MJ5RIC for any activity outside the contest.

H44, SOLOMON ISLANDS (IOTA Op/Update to OPDX.1103/1104). Operators Ralph, 5W0W/H44RK, Dom/SQ9KWW, Tom/WL7HP and Maggie/H44MK (the only local YL Ham from Sikiana) will be active as H44IOTA during their upcoming IOTA tour which will start during the first week of June. Preliminary dates have now been announced for each island, but may vary due to the nature of the tour. Here is their announced schedule:
June 1-4th - New Georgia Island (OC-149)
June 6-8th - Russell Islands (OC-168)
June 10-13th - Florida Islands (OC-158)
June 17-24th - Stewart Island (OC-285) **
July 1-7th - Nendo Island (OC-100)
July 9-12th - Vanikolo/Utupua (OC-163)
July 14-16th - Reef Islands (OC-065)

** Of special interest to IOTA chasers is Stewart Island (OC-285)
having NEVER been activated.

Activity will be on 80-10 meters using CW and SSB. See OPDX.1104
for frequencies. All QSL requests are via QSL Manager Rex Turvin, NR6M.
For updates, it is suggested to watch: http://www.qrz.com/db/H40RK
The group now has a Web, Twitter and FaceBook page at:
http://www.h44iota.com
https://twitter.com/h44iota
https://www.facebook.com/pages/H44-IOTA-DXpedition/136003426577924

HB0, LIECHTENSTEIN. A group of Dutch radio amateurs will be operating
from Liechtenstein between April 13-20th, as HB0/homecall. Activity will
be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and PSK31. During this week, a couple
of SOTAs will be activated as well. Operators mentioned are Mans/PA2HGJ,
Hugo/PA2HW, Robert/PA2RDK, Frank/PA3CNO, Paul/PA3DFR, Henny/PA3HK, Gert/
PE0MGB and Piet/PE1FLO. QSL via PE1FLO.

IOTA NEWS.............
AS-125. Tana, E27EK, will be active as E27EK/p from Chang Island,
Thailand, between March 26-27th. Activity will be on all HF
bands. QSL via his home callsign direct. Please NO eQSLs.

EU-028. Members of the Valle Brembana DX and Contest (VBDXC) Team will
be active as IA5A from Giglio between April 29th and May 4th.
Operators mentioned are Ezio/IK2AHB, Diego/IW2MZX, Alessandro/
IW5ELA, Andrea/IZ2AJE and Fabio/IZ2GMT. QSL via IK2AHB, direct
or by the Bureau.

EU-125. Rico, DO6EBB, will once again be active as OZ/DO6EBB from
Fano Island (DIA NS-002, WWFF OZFF-004) between June 22nd
July 7th. Activity will be holiday style on 160-2 meters
using SSB and some Digital modes. QSL via his home callsign,
direct or eQSL.

EU-158. Markus, DJ4EL, will be active as SV8/DJ4EL from both Proti
(March 25-26th) and Sapientza Islands (March 28-29th). This
is a rare IOTA. Activity will be on 15 meters only using
battery power and a simple Quad antenna. Markus hopes to
make 1000 or more contacts. QSL via LoTW, by the Bureau or
direct.

NA-041. David, K0DCH, will be active as K0DCH/KL7 from Mitkof Island
(USI AK155S, WLOTA 2115) between July 12-16th. Activity will
be on or near the usual island and IOTA frequencies. QSL via
his home callsign direct only.

IOTA TOUR (Philippines). Dindo, DV1UD, finally received permission (after
trying for several months) to land on and activate three of the 'most
wanted' Islands in the DU area. Dindo will visit Bongao Island (OC-174),
Tawi-Tawi Island (OC-174) and Taganak Island (OC-225). This is to complete
some survey and research as part of his work requirements. His tentative
schedule is for the first week of April. Hopefully this will allow him to

stay on each island for 2-3 days. He will grab this opportunity to activate these rare IOTA's between his work commitments. On Friday he announced that his equipment will be an Icom IC-7000, AH-4 Tuner and 100w into a Loop Antenna. Tentative departure from Manila is April 2nd, and he expects to be in Bongao, Tawi Tawi, by April 4th or 5th, via Zamboanga City. His callsign will be DX8DX, and activity will be on CW and SSB. QSL via M0OXO OQRS. For more details, visit his Blog page at: http://www.m0oxo.com/dx8dx.html

IU, ITALY (Attention Prefix Hunters). The Ministry of the Economy of the Italian Republic announced that it used up the prefix IZ and will now use the new prefix is IU.

J3, GRENADA (Update to OPDX.1104). Operators Tom/OE2ATN and Franz/OE2SNL will be on a suitcase DXpedition to Grenada Island (NA-024, WLOTA 0718) between October 28th and November 10th. The callsign has not been issued yet. Operations will be on CW, SSB and RTTY with 100-200 watts. Their Web page is now available at: http://j3.oe2atn.at

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (March 25-31st)....
Mar/25th AN Mar/28th HN-AN Mar/30th AN
Mar/26th AN Mar/29th AN Mar/31st AN
Mar/27th AN

SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS/INDEXES AND GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE
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NORMALITY	GEOMAG K Values	Alpha
AN - Above Normal	Quiet K=0-1	0-7
HN - High Normal	Unsettled K=2	8-15
LN - Low Normal	Active K=3	16-29
BN - Below Normal	Minor Storm K=4	30-49
DIS - Disturbed	Major Storm K=5	50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed	Severe Storm K=6-9	100-400

KH8, AMERICAN SAMOA (Update/Operator Needed). Bill, N6MW, will make one last try to activate American Samoa as KH8/N6MW from a hotel in Tutuila between November 11-21st. The focus will be on "Maximum number of different stations contacted; CW, some SSB and RTTY if/when things slow down; EU when possible on higher bands; and Significant 160m effort." The location on the island will be well south of the Pago Pago harbor area to avoid as much mountain low angle cut off as possible. The DX-pedition's Web page states, "Total of 3 operators planned, 2 of the slots available." For more details and updates, visit: http://n6mw.jimdo.com

LX, LUXEMBOURG. Matthias, DJ8OG, will be active as LX7I during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 30-31st) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via LX2A. Visit the following Web page at: http://www.lx2a.com

OX, GREENLAND. An international group of YLs will once again activate amateur radio from Kangerlussuaq between August 16-20th. Operators

mentioned are Unni/LA6RHA, Mio/JR3MVF, Chae/HL1KDW, Kay/WA0WOF and Solveig/SM6KAT. The last YL expedition was in 2010 and was very successful. For more information, visit their Web site at: http://home.online.no/~la6rha/greenland2013.htm

PA150, NETHERLANDS (Special Event). Fred, PA0FAW, will be active as PA150BA between April 1-28th. Activity is to celebrate the 150th anniversary of Bronbeek, a former Royal palace in Arnhem that is now a museum and a home for elderly soldiers and disabled KNIL (The Royal Netherlands East Indies Army) soldiers. The inhabitants took their collections of 'souvenirs' with them. This turned into a museum about the Dutch East Indies. Operations will be mainly CW, with some Digital and SSB. This operation will have a World Flora Fauna (WFF) reference number of WFF-PA-005. Fred is a member of the ISWL and Euro PSK club. QSL via PA0FAW, by the Bureau, eQSL and direct, but no LoTW. SWL reports are welcome direct, no need for return postage.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (Not Available This Week)

(e) eQSL only (d) direct only (B) Bureau only (L) LoTW only

PY0SJ 1982 LOTW. Cesar, PY2YP, reports that he typed the log into LoTW and it is now working on the PY0ZSC operation which is three times larger. The Rocks web page <www.py2yp.com/spsprocks> shows several logs and cards. Stay tuned.

TX5K OQRS. The TX5K OQRS is now operational online at: https://secure.clublog.org/charts/?c=TX5K#

UT1FG/MM QSL STATUS. John, K8YSE, reports, "Eugene, UX0FY, advises that he has not received logs for UT1FG/MM after November 2012. He hopes to have the December 2012 thru March 2013 logs in a few weeks. Then he will be answering all QSL requests that he has received so far. He asks everyone to be patient."

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 4Z5MU, 8P5A, 9K2F, 9M4SLL, BU2AW, DH6BH, EA7TG, EI3GG, H40T, H44G, KH2L, KP2MM, MI0BPB, OS8A, PY0SJ, PY5ZD, RI1ANF, RU0FM, RX6BH, RZ6BS, SV5FRD, T2GM, T88TF, VK3HJ, VP9I, XR0YG, XT2AA, XT2TT, ZF2AM and ZF2UL

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3D2C, 7X2ARA, A62A, CT9/DG3FAW, CX5CBA, DU3/N0QM, ES4RD, FR4NT, J8/W6HGF, KH8/M1KTA, LU6W, TX9, V25A, XU1A, XV2RZ, Z81Z, ZB3R and ZL9HR

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 4L1MA, 5W1SA, 9M6Z, A5A, AC2AI/KH2, AH0BT, AH0S/KH2, BA7MG, C31KC, C50C, EO2112WZA, HF1918RO, ISO/DK7ZB, JD1BMH, KB7OBU/KH2, T8CW, T88CR, T88GO, T88ME, T88ZO, TT8PK, V55A, WH2DX, Z60K, ZD8W and ZL50GH

SILENT KEY (DXer's Have Lost Another Legend). It is with great sorrow to report that DXers have lost a great friend and well-known DXer. Luis, XE1L,

became a Silent Key, shortly after returning to San Diego from the recent TX5K Clipperton Island DXpedition. Reports indicate that Luis was stricken with a major heart attack and passed away within minutes. An ARRL Life Member, Luis held Top of Honor Roll (Phone and Mixed), with all 340 current entities confirmed. He also held DXCC for Mixed, Phone, CW and RTTY, as well as 5-Band DXCC, and had a total of 354 entities, including deleted. World-Wide DXers will miss him greatly on the air. Here are just a few places, major DXpeditions and contests that Luis has operated:
Major DXpeditions:
3Y0PI, 9M0M, 9N7MD, S07L, TZ6RM, XF4L, XR0Y, XR0Z and XZ0A

Contests Callsigns:
4A7L, 4A9LCH, 6D1LCH, 6D7LCH, 6H1L, 6J1L, W4/XE1L (Various IOTA), W4T (Dry Tortugas), XF0L, XF5L, XF6L and YW5L.

Other Entities Callsigns:
4K/XE1L, 4U/XE1L/ITU, 4U/XE1L/NY, 4U/XE1L/YK, 4X/XE1L, 6Y5/XE1L, 8P9/XE1L, 9N7MD, C6A/XE1L, CE0/XE1L, CE3/XE1L, FM5/XE1L, FS5/XE1L, J6/XE1L, KH7/XE1L, KP4/XE1L, P4/XE1L, PJ2/XE1L, TG9/XE1L, TZ6L, VE7/XE1L, VP8CPJ, W/XE1L, W4/XE1L, XE0LCH, XE1LCH, XE1L, XE1L/XF2, XE1L/XF3, XF3/XE1L, XZ1L, YV5/XE1L and ZD8/XE1L.

OPDX and it readers would like to send out our deepest smypathy to the family and friends of XE1L. A "Condolences Book" has been setup on the Radio Club Satélite's (XE1RCS) Web page at: http://www.xe1rcs.org.mx/xe1l
To read more about Luis, XE1L, visit the ARRL Web page at:
http://www.arrl.org/news/view/noted-contester-and-dxer-luis-chartarifsky-xe1l-sk

SOUTHEAST ASIAN TOUR. The "425 DX News" reports that Alan, G0RCI, will be in Singapore (9V) and hopefully Malaysia (9M2) between April 1-12th. He plans to operate as 9V1/G0RCI and 9M2/G0RCI "as much as the XYL allows". QSL via his home callsign direct.

T2, TUVALU (Update). Tim, NL8F, is now active as T2TT from Tuvalu until April 2nd. Activity will be mostly SSB. QSL via K8NA.

V6, MICRONESIA. Operators Takio/JH3QFL and Keizo/JH3AZC will be active as V6H and V6S, respectively, from the South Park Hotel in Pohnpei between April 29th and May 5th. Activity will be on 80-6 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and JT65. QSL via their home callsign.

VP9, BERMUDA. Kei, KG2A/JJ1RJR, will be active as KG2A/VP9 from Bermuda (NA-005) between March 29th and April 1st. Activity will be on the HF bands using CW and SSB. His operations will include the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 30-31st). QSL via KG2A direct.

XP, GREENLAND. Henning, OU2I/OZ1BII, will once again be active as XP2I from Kangerlussuaq between May 23-27th. Activity will be CW only. He will also be in the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 25-26th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/ Low-Power entry. QSL via OZ1BII (see www.oz1bii.dk/qsl-info.htm).

XW8, LAOS. Steve, 9M6DXX, will be operating holiday style as XW8XZ from
near Vientiane, Laos, between March 30th and April 3rd. Activity will
be SSB only, using 100 watts (the maximum power permitted by the licence)
to a Butternut HF6V-X antenna with 12/17m kit. QSL via M0URX, by OQRS
(see <www.m0urx.com/oqrs>), direct, or by the Bureau. Logs will be uploaded
to LoTW as quickly as possible after the operation.

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March 18, 2013

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Nominations Sought for 2013 Amateur Radio Newsline☐ ☐Young Ham Of The Year Award☐

The nominating period for 2013 Amateur Radio Newsline☐ "Young Ham of the Year Award" is now open. Originally known as the "Westlink Report Young Ham of the Year," this award program, now in its third decade, is presented annually to a United States or Canadian licensed Radio Amateur (Ham) who is 18 years of age or younger and who has provided outstanding service to the nation, his/her community or the betterment of the state of the art in communications through the Amateur Radio hobby/service. (Please see application form for details.)

ELIGIBILITY

The award is open to any licensed amateur radio operator residing in the 50 states that comprise the United States plus U.S. territories and 10 Canadian provinces. Nominees must hold a currently valid Amateur Radio License issued by the FCC (United States) or Industry Canada (Canada) and meet the 18 year or younger age qualification.

OBTAINING NOMINATING FORMS

Applications forms are available for a self addressed stamped envelope mailed to the 2013 Young Ham of the Year Award % Newsline, 28197 Robin Avenue Santa Clarita California 91350. These nominating applications are also available for electronic download in .PDF format from our website at <http://www.arnewsline.org/YHOTY>.

NOMINATION CUTOFF DATE

All nominations must be submitted before midnight your local time on May 30, 2013 on an official nominating form and accompanied by verification materials for declarations noted within the nomination.

NOMINATION FILING

Paper nominations should be sent by regular mail only to The Amateur Radio Newsline, Inc., Att: YHOTY 2013, 28197 Robin Avenue, Saugus CA, 91350. (Note: Please do not send in any mail that requires a recipient signature as there is nobody here to provide this.)

Electronic nominations scanned as .JPG files should be e-mailed to newsline(at)arnewsline(dot)org.

PRESENTATION IN 2013

With continued corporate sponsorship, the 2013 Amateur Radio Newsline Young Ham of the Year Award presentation will take place in August at the 2013 Huntsville Hamfest. The Huntsville Hamfest is one of the

nation□s largest and most popular Amateur Radio conventions. It is held annually the third weekend in August at the Von Braun Civic Center in downtown Huntsville Alabama and usually attracts upward of 5000+ attendees.

AWARD BACKGROUND

The Amateur Radio Newsline□ □Young Ham of the Year Award□ program was conceived in 1985 by then Westlink Report "Editor-in Chief" Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF. His desire then and now is to highlight the accomplishments of the nation's many young radio hobbyists, and to encourage the entry of more young people into the exciting and rewarding hobby of Amateur Radio.

With the absorption in 1995 of the Westlink Report readership base into Worldradio Magazine, the awards originator has decided to continue it under the banner of his own "Amateur Radio Newsline□" organization. It is his belief that this real-life experience may lead the award winners and many other young hams into technology based careers that will make them the scientific leaders of the future.

ABOUT THE AWARD SPONSORS

The Amateur Radio Newsline, Inc., better known as "Newsline" is the world□s largest not for profit (501(c)(3) and totally independent ham radio broadcast news and data information service. It was organized in 1976 by Jim Hendershot WA6VQP and Bill Pasternak WA6ITF. Since that time it has produced and put to air over 1850 consecutive weeks (35+ years) of free news bulletin programming dealing with Amateur Radio and related personal communications issues.

Primary corporate underwriting since the inception of the "Young Ham of the Year Award" in program in 1986 is from Yaesu U.S.A. Corporation. Yaesu is a world leader in the design, manufacture and distribution of Yaesu brand high quality Amateur Radio equipment. See: www.yaesu.com

As of 1995, CQ Communications Inc. has been an additional corporate underwriter. CQ Magazine and its sister publications CQ-VHF, Popular Communications and Worldradio OnLine are owned by CQ Communications and are considered the trend-setting magazines serving today's modern radio amateur radio community. See: www.cq-amateur-radio.com

In 2008 Heil Sound Ltd.; an innovative manufacturer of microphones and accessories for the amateur, professional sound and broadcast industries joined as the latest corporate underwriter. See: www.heilsound.com

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1986 - Shawn Alan Wakefield, WK5P
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1995 - Adam Weyhaupt, N9MEZ
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2009 - Andrew Koenig, KE5GDB
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The world-wide Amateur Radio service is force of more than 2.5 million publicly spirited personal radio operators who are licensed and regulated by their respective administrations. They are available as a voluntary group of skilled public service-oriented individuals with their own radio equipment who are available to provide emergency communications in times of disaster. They also provide a pool of trained radio operators and technicians to assist in improving international relations.

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20910. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-25 13:01:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 20910

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:Issued: 2013 Mar 25 1253 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
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SIDC URSIGRAM 30325
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 25 Mar 2013, 1211UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 25 Mar 2013 until 27 Mar 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Quiet conditions (<50% probability of C-class flares)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 25 Mar 2013 10CM FLUX: 095 / AP: 001
PREDICTIONS FOR 26 Mar 2013 10CM FLUX: 095 / AP: 001
PREDICTIONS FOR 27 Mar 2013 10CM FLUX: 097 / AP: 001
COMMENT: Solar activity is expected to be low for the next 48 hours,
with only a slight risk of a C-class flare from NOAA AR 1702 and a new
small sunspot area still unnumbered (Catania AR 25). The last 24 hours
were very quiet in terms of flaring activity. To be noticed is the
eruption of a filament on March 24th, near the central meridian around
10:00 UT, with dimming area forming in the same area a few hours later.
Around 1600 UT, LASCO C2 observed a complex CME event, on the West limb.
This is a rather slow and long lasting event, and the link with the
filament eruption is not clear. A second filament eruption took place to
the north-east of Catania AR 25, around 1900 UT. We do not expect
noticeable effects on the geomagnetic activity from both events.
Geomagnetic conditions are expected to be low for the next 48 hours.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 028, BASED ON 05 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 24 Mar 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 096
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 007
AK WINGST : 006
ESTIMATED AP : 006
ESTIMATED ISN : 030, BASED ON 06 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
END
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20911. cluster spots

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-26 00:29:02 UTC
From: VE1AL
Topic: 20911 Message: 20911

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73

Al, VE1AL

20912. RE: [DX-IS] cluster spots

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-26 00:57:03 UTC
From: Ron Notarius W3WN
Topic: 20911 Message: 20912

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20913. Re: [DX-IS] cluster spots

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-26 01:06:37 UTC
From: GARY HUBER
Topic: 20911 Message: 20913

Al, I generally don’t chase the cluster spots, but on occasion I’ve seen spots that I might use for a band / mode fill from W3LPL. I can’t recall a time when I could hear a W3LPL spot but I haven’t given up. T6MO is an example.... spotted by W3LPL (probably via the reverse beacon network), I’ve heard other 8s and 9s calling Eric, but not T6MO’s signals.

My personal opinion is that if you want skimmer spots, build your own skimmer. Use your own antennas so that you know the spots skimmed / heard may be worked. Just because a skimmer in Europe can hear T6MO and it gets reported by the cluster network really doesn’t mean much to me.

73 ES DX,
Gary -- AB9M

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20914. RE: [DX-IS] cluster spots

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-26 01:07:05 UTC
From: VE1AL
Topic: 20911 Message: 20914

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If it helps, you could answer me off-line.

Thanks & 73

Al, VE1AL

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Sent: Monday, March 25, 2013 9:57 PM
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20915. Re: [DX-IS] cluster spots

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-26 01:14:20 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 20911 Message: 20915

On 3/25/2013 9:29 PM, VE1AL wrote:
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> 73
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> Al, VE1AL
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I hear some of them Al, and I like them all.

73, Paul VE1DX

20916. Re: [DX-IS] cluster spots

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-26 01:17:02 UTC
From: iain macdonnell - N6ML
Topic: 20911 Message: 20916

Hi Al,

You are definitely not alone. I'll refrain from further comment, based
on "if you have nothing nice to say, ..."

I'm not sure it's possible to filter spots from a specific callsign in
CC Cluster - it doesn't appear so from:

http://bcdxc.org/ve7cc/ccc/CCC_Commands.htm

If you used SpotCollector from the DXLab Suite, you could specify
W3LPL (and variants) as "BadSource" special callsigns.

73,

~iain / N6ML

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> Sent: Monday, March 25, 2013 8:29 PM
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20917. Re: [DX-IS] cluster spots

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-26 01:18:13 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 20911 Message: 20917

On 3/25/2013 9:57 PM, Ron Notarius W3WN wrote:
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It was VE1AL (who is named Al), not me VE1DX named Paul) who
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73, Paul VE1DX

20918. RE: [DX-IS] cluster spots

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-26 01:19:59 UTC
From: KQ8M
Topic: 20911 Message: 20918

On ARCluster V6 you can use the filter SET DX FILTER SPOTTER <> W3LPL

73,
Tim Herrick, KQ8M
Charter Member North Coast Contesters
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AR-Cluster V6 kq8m.no-ip.org
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-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of iain macdonnell - N6ML
Sent: Monday, March 25, 2013 9:17 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] cluster spots

Hi Al,

You are definitely not alone. I'll refrain from further comment, based
on "if you have nothing nice to say, ..."

I'm not sure it's possible to filter spots from a specific callsign in
CC Cluster - it doesn't appear so from:

http://bcdxc.org/ve7cc/ccc/CCC_Commands.htm

If you used SpotCollector from the DXLab Suite, you could specify
W3LPL (and variants) as "BadSource" special callsigns.

73,

~iain / N6ML

On Mon, Mar 25, 2013 at 6:07 PM, VE1AL <ve1al@...> wrote:
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> So, from the four comments received (so far?) I get the distinct
> impression that I am not alone.
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> Could someone please tell me how the W3LPL spots can be filtered out of
> VE7CC and/or K3LR. I have tried all of the scripts suggested for both and
> have had no luck whatsoever in eliminating the W3LPL "garbage". I am
> interested in knowing what I am likely to hear, not what I might hear if I
> lived outside the city and had loads of moolah.
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> If it helps, you could answer me off-line.
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> Thanks & 73
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20919. Re: [DX-IS] cluster spots

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-26 01:22:26 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 20911 Message: 20919

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There is no way for a user to filter spots from a specific user with CC Cluster commands. The SYSOP has to do it for everyone. As you say, it can be done with SpotCollector from AA6YQ's DX Labs, and probably many other client packages. Even VE7CC's client component for CC Cluster (CC User) will do it.

73, Paul VE1DX

20920. Re: [DX-IS] cluster spots

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-26 01:24:19 UTC
From: John Peters
Topic: 20911 Message: 20920

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73 John K1ER
----- Original Message -----
From: GARY HUBER
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, March 25, 2013 3:06 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] cluster spots

Al, I generally don't chase the cluster spots, but on occasion I've seen spots that I might use for a band / mode fill from W3LPL. I can't recall a time when I could hear a W3LPL spot but I haven't given up. T6MO is an example.... spotted by W3LPL (probably via the reverse beacon network), I've heard other 8s and 9s calling Eric, but not T6MO's signals.

My personal opinion is that if you want skimmer spots, build your own skimmer. Use your own antennas so that you know the spots skimmed / heard may be worked. Just because a skimmer in Europe can hear T6MO and it gets reported by the cluster network really doesn't mean much to me.

73 ES DX,
Gary -- AB9M

From: VE1AL
Sent: Monday, March 25, 2013 7:29 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] cluster spots

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Al, VE1AL

20921. Re: [DX-IS] cluster spots

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-26 01:27:36 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 20911 Message: 20921

On 3/25/2013 10:24 PM, John Peters wrote:
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I think you ought to sign you emails K1ER/KH6, John! :-)
Otherwise we won't know where you are posting from. Aloha!

73, Paul VE1DX

20922. Re: [DX-IS] cluster spots

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-26 01:27:50 UTC
From: Jim Kehler
Topic: 20911 Message: 20922

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20923. RE: [DX-IS] cluster spots

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-26 01:35:53 UTC
From: KQ8M
Topic: 20911 Message: 20923

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On 3/25/2013 8:29 PM, VE1AL wrote:

20924. Re: [DX-IS] cluster spots

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-26 01:44:24 UTC
From: John Peters
Topic: 20911 Message: 20924

Paul,
That is true BUT I ham from Hawaii and from CONUS (I keep a large RV in Montana). RV ops tend to favor county hunting over DX.

Any SPOT for a DXCC entity you NEED for a new one is worth the effort to listen no matter where you got the freq and mode.

DX IS! (Really)

John K1ER or K1ER/KH6 or other places.
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Date: 2013-03-26 01:46:54 UTC
From: Jim Kehler
Topic: 20911 Message: 20925

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That's Kewl. Reminds me of way back when. When the ARCluster kids were sucking spots out of DX Summit and sending them round the world. And round and round and round. For weeks on end.

So much for filtering spots by what was heard in your neighborhood I guess.....

I guess if we all had a software defined radio, we could write software to check
and see if we could really hear the DX before the cluster software shows us the
spot.

73, Jim KH2D

20926. Re: [DX-IS] cluster spots

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
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Also the BY is really there, regardless of whether or not we can
hear it. Stats on regular skimmers with the -# tag claim 93% accuracy .
. . in other words, 7% of the -# originating spots are busted calls. If
you see BY1ABC spotted by XXXXX-#, there is a 7% chance it is DY1ABC.
It if comes from W3LPL, it is really BY1ABC.

I think we ought to understand what W3LPL spots are before we
criticize them as useless.

73, Paul VE1DX

20927. RE: [DX-IS] cluster spots

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-26 01:57:31 UTC
From: Ron Notarius W3WN
Topic: 20911 Message: 20927

Whoops. My fault.

Sorry Paul, I meant Al.

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Date: 2013-03-26 02:00:23 UTC
From: Ron Notarius W3WN
Topic: 20911 Message: 20928

Well, that's the rub, isn't it Tim.

If I'm interested in RBN spots, I'll monitor them on my own.

Relaying them through another station (that may or may not be able to hear them himself) strikes me as pointless.

And I simply don't understand why they are relayed onto the cluster.

But. it's no longer a problem here. I just filter out everything from Frank's call. If it means once in a while I miss out on something, so be it.

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of KQ8M
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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-26 02:07:01 UTC
From: KQ8M
Topic: 20911 Message: 20929

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20930. Re: [DX-IS] cluster spots

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-26 02:43:30 UTC
From: John G.
Topic: 20911 Message: 20930

His spots aren't completely worthless. They do serve to increase my inferiority complex.

John AF5CC

----- Original Message -----
From: Paul M Dunphy
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tuesday, March 26, 2013 1:14 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] cluster spots

On 3/25/2013 9:29 PM, VE1AL wrote:
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> feedback from list members who would like to comment on the value of
> spots on the cluster emanating from W3LPL.
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> with W3LPL as the spotter. I would have thought that if a spot came
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> audible if I went to that frequency and tuned up and down a bit.
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> This morning, for instance, I saw a spot from W3LPL for 30M for a
> station in the Pacific at a time when the sun was well up out here in NE
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> couldn't hear it.
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> that. Perhaps, if I did, I'd be able to hear some or all of the W3LPL
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> to think, appreciate spots from more down to earth operators who aren't
> among the less than 1%.
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> I've tried everything I can (and with ideas from others) to eliminate
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> worked and I am seemingly stuck with W3LPL. My opinion is that W3LPL is
> completely useless and causes me unnecessary stress.
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> Anyone care to comment? Agree? Disagree?
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> 73
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I hear some of them Al, and I like them all.

73, Paul VE1DX

20931. RE: [DX-IS] cluster spots

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-26 03:30:46 UTC
From: VE1AL
Topic: 20911 Message: 20931

So, I'm not alone! I'm really pleased to read that many others are just as frustrated as I am.

Look, I've done everything I know to eliminate W3LPL spots from both VE7CC/VE1DXI and K3LR.

Admittedly, I'm not the sharpest knife in the drawer (and getting duller daily). I need someone to tell me the exact script to type into the filters of both VE7CC and K3LR so I can get rid of W3LPL's spots for ever and ever, amen. Obviously, having read the user manuals for AR Cluster and VE7CC I have made an error. On the other hand, I have gotten rid of the W3LPL offspring -- W3LPL#, But W3LPL as a stand alone spotter is still there.

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If someone can assist me with the syntax for ending this annoyance (to me), I would surely appreciate it.

It is bedtime for bonzo so I'll see any responses later this morning.

Many, many thanks to all who commented. ☺

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-26 04:13:46 UTC
From: ve7tk
Topic: 20911 Message: 20932

Bingo!

73, Rick
VE7TK

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "John Peters" <petersj007@...> wrote:
>
> Guys, the ONLY real value in any of the spots is KNOWING THAT THE DX IS ON THE AIR and maybe WHERE. Look at your Geochron or prop software to determine when a path is open for you.
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20933. Re W3LPL-3 spots was: Re: [DX-IS] cluster spots

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-26 11:24:24 UTC
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Topic: 20911 Message: 20933

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That said, I have been asking Frank for a couple of years now to have the software modified so that it puts the spotter's state in the Comment field. I don't understand why that has not happened, but suspect that both he and his software guy have been focused on erasing the razor-thin margin by which his multi-multi has lost to K3LR in recent years.

I don't understand why people have difficulty filtering out either W3LPL-3 or W3LPL-# callsigns. KQ8M already mentioned the "spotter <>" filter in AR Cluster V6, and N6ML mentioned the filter in Spot Collector. I'm sure CC User has something similar.

I don't think there's any reason to have to put up with the W3LPL-3
spots if you don't want them, or to want him to stop making them
available to those who do.

I'll address the RBN angle in a separate post.

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20934. Re: [DX-IS] cluster spots

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-26 11:30:46 UTC
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy (K5MWH)
Topic: 20911 Message: 20934

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20935. The RBN

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-26 11:45:22 UTC
From: Pete Smith N4ZR
Topic: 20935 Message: 20935

As many/most are aware, I'm one of the people behind the RBN. Reading the recent traffic about W3LPL-3 spots, I ran into a couple of things that I thought might be worth commenting on.

Someone characterized 50-odd percent of RBN spots during a recent DX contest as "useless" because they were duplicates. I think this misses one of the points of the RBN, which is to provide a database of everything that is heard at 90+ locations around the globe, as well as to provide spots for the cluster network. Initially we were very concerned that RBN spots would even get onto the Cluster network, but happily the majorsoftware folks - both the cluster guys and the logging software people - quickly adapted to this and provided a variety of filters. Now everyone filters out duplicates - and yes, that does involve using a computer, but so does getting Telnet spots in the first place.

Someone else said that RBN spots are 93 percent accurate. That may be correct, in any given case, but only if carefully qualified. Each individual Skimmer is > 99% accurate, but if you have 10 99%-accurate Skimmers all hearing the same station, there is a 10 percent chance that *one of them* will miscopy the callsign.

This is the basis for ARC Version 6's excellent "unique>x" filter. Briefly, it only passes a spot on to the user if the spot has been duplicated by ">x" Skimmers around the world.

During the last ARRL DX Contest, I had over 1000 S&P QSOs, and even on Sunday afternoon, I saw only one busted spot. The reason? I was using a compound filter that read like this:

SET DX FILTER call=n4zr OR (SKIMMER AND UNIQUE>2) and (spotterstate=md OR spotterstate=pa OR spotterstate=va OR spotterstate=WV)

This filter only let me see spots originating in those 4 states, which had ALSO been heard anywhere in the world by at least 2 other Skimmers. As a final touch, it told me whenever *I* was spotted anywhere - since I wasn't running, that didn't happen often.

Bottom line - when it comes to the RBN, you can have your cake (the worldwide database) and eat it too.

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20936. Re: [DX-IS] cluster spots

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-26 11:54:04 UTC
From: KD0Q-Glenn
Topic: 20911 Message: 20936

That's it Mike. And it's worked well for me too.

73, Glenn - KD0Q

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20937. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-26 13:01:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 20937

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:Issued: 2013 Mar 26 1239 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
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SIDC URSIGRAM 30326
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 26 Mar 2013, 1224UT
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SOLAR FLARES : Quiet conditions (<50% probability of C-class flares)
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TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 020, BASED ON 10 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 25 Mar 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 056
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AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 008
AK WINGST : 003
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NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-26 14:07:03 UTC
From: Ron Notarius W3WN
Topic: 20911 Message: 20938

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-26 14:26:14 UTC
From: Pete Smith N4ZR
Topic: 20911 Message: 20939

Thanks, Ron. In fairness to Frank, I think his basic philosophy is that all information is useful, and it's just a matter of how you use it. That he filters the W3LPL-3 information as tightly as he does - requiring confirmation, presence on a master list of callsigns, etc. - says to me that he is trying to make the information broadly useful to DXers. That's why I do not understand the failure to include state of origin in the W3LPL-3 spots, which would substantially enhance their usefulness. I've made another pitch to him about that, and hope he'll agree.

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From: John G.
Topic: 20911 Message: 20940

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-26 15:29:26 UTC
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy (K5MWH)
Topic: 20911 Message: 20941

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Bravo John! You have described the very reason that I got tired &
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I have no interest in spots made from BFE. If, however, Frank does decide to filter them by state, it would likely make them just another redundant spot, and would simply create more clutter on the cluster, because, as we all know, a very high percentage of the spots are no more than brag spots, especially for the more rare DX.

73,
Mike, W5UC

20942. Re: Re W3LPL-3 spots was: Re: [DX-IS] cluster spots

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-26 15:51:52 UTC
From: Jim Kehler
Topic: 20911 Message: 20942

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20943. Re: [DX-IS] The RBN

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Date: 2013-03-26 17:16:10 UTC
From: Jim Kehler
Topic: 20935 Message: 20943

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20944. RE: [DX-IS] The RBN

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Date: 2013-03-26 17:33:23 UTC
From: Dave AA6YQ
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"Before they are spotted" is a REALLY novel concept. Seems
to me that three CQ's and two KH2D's and the "before" time frame
has expired.

Dave, there is no such thing as "Before they are spotted". There
used to be, but there isn't any more. You should know that.

Maybe we need an APP that figures out, from the database, what
frequency the DX is THINKING about calling CQ on, so we can call
him before he makes any noise and the skimmers get hold of him.

Yeah. An ESP filter. That'd work. Does ARCluster have that already?

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20946. Re: [DX-IS] The RBN

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-26 18:18:03 UTC
From: GARY HUBER
Topic: 20935 Message: 20946

I very much agree with AA6YQ. When I was running AB9M-7 / N1SF / N9PE (same machine different callsigns at different times) internet connected to K9CW (K9USA) and an East coast gateway to the European Cluster system, which delivered spots locally only via RF, my personal spot filtering included spots from European stations for entities I still needed so that I might have an advance notice before I had propagation. I also found the various history commands of Show/station (or entity) , band, mode, date-range , etc, to be an excellent data mining tool once the node with the most relevant historical data was identified. Had I not had a DXSpider Operators manual as in http://www.dxcluster.org/main/usermanual_en.html#toc10.2 , I probably would not understood the difference between SET (for spot filtering to individual) and SHOW (display spot HISTORY of the node) commands.

As I understand it there may very well be an issue of individuals reading the manual to SET their individual filters at the NODE(s) from which they receive spots in order to meet their objectives AND reduce their frustrations.

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No virus found in this message.
Checked by AVG - www.avg.com
Version: 10.0.1430 / Virus Database: 2641/5705 - Release Date: 03/26/13

20947. Fw: [SMC] Quick draw at spotting! - RBN

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-26 18:20:53 UTC
From: GARY HUBER
Topic: 20947 Message: 20947

For the RBN discussion. Evidence the RBN is quicker.

-----Original Message-----
From: Eric Hall K9GY
Sent: Monday, March 25, 2013 11:06 PM
To: SMC Reflector
Subject: [SMC] Quick draw at spotting!

This is funny... W3LPL machine spotted me before I spotted myself, hah!
Now that's QUICK!

T6MO-@ <http://www.qrz.com/db/T6MO> 14010.0T6MO
<http://www.qrz.com/db/T6MO> CQing 0401 26 Mar
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W3LPL <http://www.qrz.com/db/W3LPL> 14010.0T6MO
<http://www.qrz.com/db/T6MO> 0359 26 Mar
Afghanistan

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SMC Web Site: http://www.w9smc.com
List Help: http://mail.w9smc.com/mailman/listinfo/smc_w9smc.com
Submissions: smc@... Problems? Contact: smc-owner@...

20948. RE: [DX-IS] The RBN

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-26 18:48:30 UTC
From: KQ8M
Topic: 20935 Message: 20948

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like mine have elected to only have my own skimmers spotting on my node and others have NO skimmers. With the ARCluster V6 if the
node has skimmers, the filter: NOT SKIMMER added to your filter will stop all of those spots. Period. Again, if you don't want them
then filter them but please don't try to force everyone to your beliefs. Let each individual choose.

73,

Tim Herrick, KQ8M

Charter Member North Coast Contesters

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AR-Cluster V6 kq8m.no-ip.org

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Sent: Tuesday, March 26, 2013 1:57 PM
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On 3/26/2013 1:33 PM, Dave AA6YQ wrote:

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"Before they are spotted" is a REALLY novel concept. Seems
to me that three CQ's and two KH2D's and the "before" time frame
has expired.

Dave, there is no such thing as "Before they are spotted". There
used to be, but there isn't any more. You should know that.

Maybe we need an APP that figures out, from the database, what frequency the DX is THINKING about calling CQ on, so we can call him before he makes any noise and the skimmers get hold of him.

Yeah. An ESP filter. That'd work. Does ARCluster have that already?

73, Jim KH2D

20949. RE: [DX-IS] The RBN

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-26 19:17:59 UTC
From: Dave AA6YQ
Topic: 20935 Message: 20949

>>>AA6YQ comments below

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>>>I often work DX stations before they are spotted, Jim. And when I’ve operated from 8P, FJ, KP2, and V4, plenty of ops worked me
before I was spotted.

73,

Dave, AA6YQ

20950. Re: [DX-IS] The RBN

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-26 19:54:39 UTC
From: Jim Kehler
Topic: 20935 Message: 20950

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20951. Re: [DX-IS] The RBN

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-26 19:54:26 UTC
From: Pete Smith N4ZR
Topic: 20935 Message: 20951

Thanks, Dave. I appreciate the comment. We really had two reasons for not trying to filter outgoing spots - we wanted to preserve for our users access to as much or as little of the information as they wanted, in near-real-time. Also, one very useful function of dupes is the "unique>x" filter for busted spots - if you filter them out at the server you lose this.

This is still an ongoing discussion - if we can find a way to filter out busted spots and dupes at the RBN server we may try to do that. But keep in mind that we're handling an average of >20 spots per second during a major contest, with peaks that run three times that. A couple of contests ago we ran into trouble simply trying to insert all of these into the database. It's a learning process.

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> spot. The latter results in permanent loss of information; the former
> does not.
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> *From:*DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] *On Behalf
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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-26 19:58:41 UTC
From: KQ8M
Topic: 20935 Message: 20952

If you're getting that many "Cluster spots" of one call at once from skimmer's and you don't like it then maybe you should find a
different node. There a many out there.

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20953. Re: [DX-IS] The RBN

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-26 19:57:24 UTC
From: Pete Smith N4ZR
Topic: 20935 Message: 20953

Jim, I think it is going to turn out to be pretty self-limiting. We already are pretty well saturated in parts of Europe and the US. My guess is that the useful growth will be in places that aren't well-represented now, such as Oceania, mainland East Asia, mainland Africa and Central/South America.

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20954. Re: [DX-IS] The RBN

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-26 21:59:04 UTC
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy (K5MWH)
Topic: 20935 Message: 20954

On 3/26/2013 1:48 PM, KQ8M wrote:
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Looking at VE1DXI, in the configuration box, he has a check box, called
"Skimmer". Mine is unchecked. Bless you Paul.

73,
Mike, w5UC

20955. RE: [DX-IS] The RBN

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-27 02:49:53 UTC
From: Rick Kiessig
Topic: 20935 Message: 20955

Whether the last 54 spots of K8QM on 14.001 are a waste of bandwidth depends on how you're using the spots. For me, seeing the DX side of a spot alone is never enough to make the spot useful. If you're into chasing rare DX, though, then maybe it is.

I use RBN spots to visualize and predict propagation - in which case the specific spots for a given DX call that are useful to me in ZL may be completely different from those that useful to you in US. For hams located near K8QM, all 55 spots might be useful, to help you know where in the world you're likely to be heard, as well as which beam headings are likely to productive for listening.

73, Rick ZL2HAM

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Jim Kehler
Sent: Wednesday, March 27, 2013 8:55 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] The RBN

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20956. Re: The RBN

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-27 08:54:27 UTC
From: ve7cc
Topic: 20935 Message: 20956

In my opinion the RBN is doing a great job. Pete and many others have created a very useful system.

Comments below

Lee VE7CC

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Hardly anyone takes a full raw feed from the RBN and attempts to use it in a contest or chasing dx. That's just crazy. There are simply too many spots to handle. Besides, as I see, at about 6-7% of raw RBN spots are busted. These will ALL show on your band map, unless you work the busted calls and log them...

Users should connect the DX Node of their choice and set up appropriate filtering. CC Clusters such as VE1DXI etc remove the busted calls automatically. AR Clusters require you to enter commands to eliminate the busted spots. Then you need to set up bands/modes etc as you see fit.

My CC User program was designed to go between the DX Node and your contesting program. It eliminates dupes. It can eliminate W3LPL spots and others. It requires less CPU time than the contest program and unloads a huge amount of CPU loading from the cluster. The clusters are simply unable to handle the volume of spots. At 60 spots per second and checking the last several hundred spots for dupes requires tens of thousands of checks per user per second.

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I disagree. The FILTER is in the right place.

If you eliminate "dupes" before they get to the cluster, what happens when one cluster user wants only spots from say the east coast and another only wants west coast spots? At least one of these users won't get that spot, since you threw away all but one spot. The cluster has to receive ALL the RBN spots in order that as many as possible pass the ALL the users' filters.

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That is correct. What good is a filter if it doesn't block what is not wanted? It lets through what is wanted. Filters have been around since long before the RBN was even thought about.

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Spotters come and go. However, the number of non-skimmer spots has continued to increase, year over year, even after the RBN came on the scene.

Lee VE7CC

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20957. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-27 13:01:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 20957

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:Issued: 2013 Mar 27 1238 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
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SIDC URSIGRAM 30327
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 27 Mar 2013, 1222UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 27 Mar 2013 until 29 Mar 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Quiet conditions (<50% probability of C-class flares)
GEOMAGNETISM : Active conditions expected (A>=20 or K=4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 27 Mar 2013 10CM FLUX: 092 / AP: 011
PREDICTIONS FOR 28 Mar 2013 10CM FLUX: 091 / AP: 021
PREDICTIONS FOR 29 Mar 2013 10CM FLUX: 090 / AP: 007
COMMENT: Solar activity was very low during the last 24 hours, and we
expect very quiet solar conditions to persist for the next 48 hours.
Geomagnetic activity should reach unsettled to active levels in the next
24 hours, mainly due to a sector boundary crossing and a coronal hole
becoming geoeffective. Current conditions are unsettled (Kp=3) at
planetary levels.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 027, BASED ON 06 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 26 Mar 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 028
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 092
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 005
AK WINGST : 003
ESTIMATED AP : 002
ESTIMATED ISN : 020, BASED ON 15 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
END
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20958. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-28 13:01:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 20958

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:Issued: 2013 Mar 28 1240 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
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coronal hole. Current conditions are quiet.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 029, BASED ON 12 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 27 Mar 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 051
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 093
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 040
AK WINGST : 027
ESTIMATED AP : 025
ESTIMATED ISN : 026, BASED ON 10 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
END
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20959. Is my account still showing spam?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-29 02:19:54 UTC
From: dale cole
Topic: 20959 Message: 20959

don't open any links if they show up--please just advise if your getting unwanted links
TIA
Dale K8TS

20960. ARLD013 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-28 22:48:09 UTC
From: jjreisert@...
Topic: 2915 Message: 20960

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QST de W1AW
DX Bulletin 13 ARLD013
>From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT March 28, 2013
To all radio amateurs

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ARLD013 DX news

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TONGA, A3. Jacek, SP5EAQ is QRV as A3EAQ from Tongatapu Island, IOTA OC-049, until April 16. Activity is on 80 to 10 meters using only SSB. QSL to call.

QATAR, A7. Operators A71BX, A71CO, A71CV, A71AM and RA9CKQ will be QRV as A71AM from Dukhan in the CQ WW WPX SSB contest as a Multi/2 entry. QSL via bureau.

BAHAMAS, C6. Chuck, KG9N is QRV as KG9N/C6A from Grand Bahama Island, IOTA NA-080, until April 4. This includes an entry in the CQ WW WPX SSB contest. QSL to home call.

CUBA, CO. Members of the Las Tunas Contest Crew will be QRV as T48K from Las Tunas in the CQ WW WPX SSB contest. QSL via F5FYO.

PHILIPPINES, DU. Operators DU1BP, DL2KGS and LA6FJA will be QRV as DZ1B from Luzon, IOTA OC-042, in the CQ WW WPX SSB contest. QSL via DU1BP.

REUNION ISLAND, FR. Cyril, FR4NT will be QRV as a Single Op/Low Power entry in the CQ WW WPX SSB contest. QSL direct to home call.

JERSEY, GJ. Richard, M5RIC is QRV as MJ5RIC until March 31. He will be active as GJ2A in the CQ WW WPX SSB contest. QSL both calls via M5RIC.

HONDURAS, HR. Ray, WQ7R will be QRV as HQ9R from Isla de Roatan, IOTA NA-057, in the CQ WW WPX SSB contest. QSL direct via K5WW.

MARIANA ISLANDS, KH0. Members of the Saipan BBQ Contest Club will be QRV as AH0BT from Saipan, IOTA OC-086, in the CQ WW WPX SSB contest. QSL via 7L1FPU.

BULGARIA. LZ. Special event station LZ134SOF is QRV in celebration of the 134th anniversary of the capital city of Sofia. Activity is on all bands and modes. QSL via LZ1KZX.

DENMARK, OZ. Operators DL1TM and DJ4MG will be QRV as OZ7TM and 5P4MG, respectively, from April 1 to 18. Activity will be on 160 to 10 meters using SSB and PSK. They may also be active as OU1RAEM. QSL OZ7TM via DL1TM, 5P4MG via DJ4MG and OU1RAEM via DF5LW.

TUVALU, T2. Tim, NL8F is QRV as T2TT from Funafuti Island, IOTA OC-015, until April 2. Activity is on 80 to 10 meters using mostly SSB with some digital modes. He will also be active in the CQ WW WPX SSB contest as either a Single Op/All Band or Single Band on 10 meters entry. QSL via K8NA.

SOMALIA, T5. Tevfik, TA1HZ will be QRV as T5TC from Mogadishu in the CQ WW WPX SSB contest as a Single Op/All Band/Low Power entry. QSL to home call.

COCOS (KEELING) ISLAND, VK9C. Operators GM3WOJ and GM4YXI plan to be QRV as VK9CZ from March 30 to April 13. Activity will be on the HF bands using CW, SSB and some RTTY. QSL via operators' instructions.

MEXICO, XE. Special event station 4A1TD will be QRV as a Multi Op entry in the CQ WW WPX SSB contest in celebration of the 80th anniversary of the founding of Club de Radio Experimentadores de Occidente. QSL via XE1GZU.

LAOS, XW. Steve, 9M6DXX will be QRV as XW8XZ near the capital of Vientiane from March 30 to April 3. Activity will be holiday style on the HF bands using SSB. QSL via M0URX.

INDONESIA, YB. Operators YB8BRI and YB8HZ are QRV from Balang Lompo Island, IOTA OC-236. Activity is on 40 to 10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY with two stations active. This may also include an entry in the CQ WW WPX SSB contest. QSL via operators' instructions.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The CQ World Wide WPX SSB Contest, ARLHS Annual Spring Lites QSO Party, QRP CW Fox Hunt, NCCC RTTY Sprint and the NCCC Sprint will certainly keep contesters busy this upcoming weekend. The Low Power Spring CW Sprint, 144 MHz Spring Sprint and RSGB 80-meter Club CW Championship are scheduled for April 1. The ARS Spartan Sprint is scheduled for April 2. The QRP CW Fox Hunt is scheduled for April 3. Please see March QST, page 84, April QST, page 84, and the ARRL and WA7BNM Contest websites for details.
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20961. ARLP013 Propagation de K7RA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-29 02:22:01 UTC
From: jjreisert@...
Topic: 2905 Message: 20961

SB PROP @ ARL $ARLP013
ARLP013 Propagation de K7RA

ZCZC AP13
QST de W1AW
Propagation Forecast Bulletin 13 ARLP013
>From Tad Cook, K7RA
Seattle, WA March 28, 2013
To all radio amateurs

SB PROP ARL ARLP013
ARLP013 Propagation de K7RA

This bulletin is issued a day early this week due to the Good Friday holiday.

Solar activity was down this week, with the average daily sunspot number less than half last week's figure, at 49.6. Average daily solar flux dropped 22 points to 97. Geomagnetic activity was quiet also.

The predicted solar flux is 95 and 100 on March 28-29, 105 on March 30-31, 110 on April 1-3, 115 on April 4, 120 on April 5-7, 125 on April 8-10, 120 on April 11-13, 115 on April 14, 110 on April 15, then it drops below 100 on April 20-24.

The predicted planetary A index is 22, 18 and 8 on March 28-30, 5 on March 31 through April 22, then 8, 18, 15 and 8 on April 23-26, and 5 through the end of April and into the first week in May.

Lee Gordy, W4KUT of Cartersville, Georgia wrote to say he just finished reading Carl Luetzelschwab's article "The Sun and the Ionosphere" in the March 2013 QST for the third time.

Lee wrote, "For me, It's consoling to know that knowledgeable professionals such as Carl Luetzelschwab are having exciting difficulties rounding up Ol' Sol's secrets. There's a fine and mystical line between prophesy and prognosis, and the even bigger consolation prize I've taken away from Luetzelschwab's informative writings is a closer understanding of songwriter Joni Mitchell's wonderful composition, 'Both Sides, Now' -- 'It's cloud illusions I recall, I really don't know clouds, at all.' I was there for Cycle 19. It was mystical and magical, and I have every hope that I'll experience a like ionospheric folly before I send my final SK. Who knows, maybe this cycle will have another peak, and we'll hear non-stop, worldwide 10 and 6 meter activity. In the meantime, it's fun to try and outguess Solar Mojo. It's a big part of the

infectious excitement and thrill of amateur radio."

Lee added later, "Regarding the Sun, we can literally see 'both sides now.' And it just seems like the more we know about it, the less we really know!"

W4KUT must be referring to the Solar TErrestrial RElations Observatory project, or STEREO (http://stereo.gsfc.nasa.gov/), which does allow us to observe both sides of the Sun, with real time images, too, updated every few minutes.

Bill Tynan, W3XO of Kerrville, Texas (in grid square EM00kd) wrote, "The CME of March 15 apparently caused a major North/South opening on 6 meters. Sunday, March 17 at 2122 UTC, I worked HC5VF. He was S-9 with 50 Watts. I did not hear any Central American stations, so my conclusion is that it was via F2, not multi-hop Es. I rule out TEP as HC is above the magnetic equator.

"Then beginning from 2154 to 2256 UT, I worked LUs 7YA, 9EHF, 1DA, 3EX and 7YS. I also heard but did not work, a CX.

"These could have, of course, been TEP, since they are south of the geomagnetic equator. But, since they followed so closely on the HC, it makes me wonder."

Bill has an interesting bio and description of his current station activities on his QRZ.com page, at http://www.qrz.com/db/W3XO. You'll need to log in, but the account is free. His email signature says "700 watts to an 11 element M2 Yagi at 70 feet." I assume that is for 6 meters.

If you would like to make a comment or have a tip for our readers, email the author at, k7ra@....

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service web page at, http://arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals. For an explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin, see http://arrl.org/the-sun-the-earth-the-ionosphere. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at http://arrl.org/w1aw-bulletins-archive-propagation. Find more good information and tutorials on propagation at http://myplace.frontier.com/~k9la/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://arrl.org/propagation.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of ARRL bulletins are at http://arrl.org/bulletins.

Sunspot numbers for March 21 through 27 were 60, 54, 56, 45, 56, 41, and 35, with a mean of 49.6. 10.7 cm flux was 106.1, 100.9, 98.2, 96, 92.6, 92.4, and 93, with a mean of 97. Estimated planetary A

indices were 12, 4, 11, 5, 4, 3, and 14, with a mean of 7.6.
Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 11, 2, 10, 6, 3, 2, and 9,
with a mean of 6.1.
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20962. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-29 13:01:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 20962

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:Issued: 2013 Mar 29 1237 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30329
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 29 Mar 2013, 1219UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 29 Mar 2013 until 31 Mar 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Quiet conditions (<50% probability of C-class flares)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 29 Mar 2013 10CM FLUX: 104 / AP: 019
PREDICTIONS FOR 30 Mar 2013 10CM FLUX: 106 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 31 Mar 2013 10CM FLUX: 108 / AP: 007
COMMENT: Solar activity is expected to remain at low levels for the
next 48 hours, with only a small chance for an isolated C flare from
NOAA AR 1708. Geomagnetic conditions are currently active at planetary
levels (Kp=4), as the Earth is still under the influence of a coronal
hole. Unsettled to isolated periods of active conditions are still
possible today, but we expect the geomagnetic activity to return to
quiet levels by March 30.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 049, BASED ON 06 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 28 Mar 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 061
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 099
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 022
AK WINGST : 011
ESTIMATED AP : 011
ESTIMATED ISN : 034, BASED ON 15 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
END
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20963. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1106

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-29 15:13:28 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 20963 Message: 20963

SB DX @ WW < KB8NW $OPDX.1106
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The Ohio/Penn DX PacketCluster
DX Bulletin No. 1106
BID: $OPDX.1106
April 1, 2013
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

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** EDITOR'S SPECIAL NOTICE: This week's bulletin was sent out earlier than normal to accommodate the late CQWW WPX SSB Contest announcements. Also, we wanted to provide the readers with a consolidated listing of the CQWW WPX SSB Contest participants.

DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Saturday, 23rd-March, through Friday, 29th-March there were 233 countries active. Countries available: 1S, 3A, 3B8, 3B9, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5B, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5V, 5W, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8Q, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9X, 9Y, A2, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C5, C6, CE, CE0Y, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E6, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FH, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FS, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, H40, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HC8, HI, HK, HK0/a, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J5, J6, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JX, JY, K, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ7, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S2, S5, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T2, T5, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TK, TL, TR, TT, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V4, V5, V6, V7, V8, VE, VK, VP2E, VP2V, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XT, XU, XW, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, Z8, ZA, ZB, ZD7, ZD8, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

2M, SCOTLAND (Satellite/Low Band Op). Paul, 2E1EUB, will once again be active as 2M1EUB for 7 days beginning April 6th. Activity will be from the eastern side of Scotland in the Cairngorms National Park (WFF GMFF-001). Activity will be on 160m, 80m, and the satellites (mostly AO-7 B/A mode), as well as 2m SSB. Check out QRZ.com under 2M1EUB for more info.

3V, TUNISIA. Hrane, YT1AD, will be active as 3V8BB (or possibly a special callsign to be announced before the contest) from the "Institute Superieur de L'Animation Pour la Jeunesse et la Culture" station in Tunis, during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 30-31st) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via LX1NO.

3V, TUNISIA. Ashraf "Ash", KF5EYY (SWL 3V4-002), will be active as 3V8SS from the "Radio Club Station of Tunisian Scouts" in Sousse, during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 30-31st) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (15m)/ Low-Power entry. QSL via LoTW or to LX1NO. Read about Ashraf on the following Web page at: http://www.kf5eyy.info

4A, MEXICO. Members of the Club de Radio Experimentadores de Occidente are celebrating the 80th anniversary of the founding of their club during the year 2013. The Club de Radio Experimentadores de Occidente has sought and obtained from COFETEL the special callsign "4A1TD" which will be used by a team of operators in different competitions (ARRL, CQ and WAE..etc.) and in activity normally throughout the year. Look for 4A1TD to participate in the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 30-31st). The QSL Manager for 4A1TD is XE1GZU. More information is available at: http://www.qrz.com/db/4A1TD

4K, AZERBAIJAN. Alim, 4K6FO, will be active during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 30-31st) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (??m)/Low-Power entry. QSL via 4K6FO.

5X8C UGANDA VIDEOS. Alain, F6ENO, has uploaded two videos to the Web on the recent 2013 5X8C DXpedition by the F6KOP team. They are available at:
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=S95F_htjj_g
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WqvWqPwbFH8

5B, CYPRUS. Tony, RT9T, will be active as 5B4ALB before and after the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 30-31st) [See H27 below]. He will be there until April 3rd. Bands and modes of activity were not provided. QSL via RT9T direct only.

5W, SAMOA. Just a reminder that a team of 15 German operators will be active as 5W0M from Le Lagoto between April 4-18th. Activity will be on 80-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY plus 2 meter EME (see OPDX.1087 for suggest frequencies). They plan to have four stations active simultaneously on the air with amp and various antennas. QSL via DL4SVA, direct or by the Bureau. QSL EME QSOs via DL9MS. A OQRS will be available for QSL requests for Bureau QSLs or direct cards. A Web page is available at:
http://5w0m.hkmann.de

CQ NEWS. Richard Moseson, W2VU, Editor of CQ Amateur Radio, provided the following press release dated March 27th: "Terry Zivney, N4TZ, Named Director of CQ WPX Contests -- Terry Zivney, N4TZ, has been named Director

of the CQ World Wide WPX Contests, effective immediately, CQ Publisher Dick Ross, K2MGA, announced today. Terry succeeds Randy Thompson, K5ZD, who has been WPX Contest Director since 2008 and recently was named Director of the CQ World Wide DX Contests.
Licensed since 1961, Zivney has held N4TZ since 1977 and has had numerous top-five USA finishes in the single-op/all-band (SOAB) low power category of CQWW, CQWPX (as KS9K), and ARRL DX contests. He also competed in the 2010 World Radiosport Team Championship in Russia, and has had three articles published in the National Contest Journal. Professionally, Zivney will retire in May 2013 from Ball State University in Muncie, Indiana, as the Maxon Distinguished Professor Emeritus of Finance and Insurance. In the 1970s he worked as an electrical engineer at Scientific Atlanta and Computer Sciences Corporation.
'As a long-time low power contester,' said N4TZ, 'I especially appreciate the WPX contest because its unique mix of exotic DX and plentiful domestic contacts ensures that great fun will be had by all participants regardless of the propagation conditions. I look forward to harnessing the momentum this contest has developed under the leadership of K5ZD and respecting the legacy of former directors K6AW, N8BJQ, and W8IMZ.'
CQ Publisher Ross noted that 'in my early talks with Terry, he has already offered several innovative ideas. Plus, he brings with him the valuable perspective of the low-power contester. I am looking forward to working with him as WPX Contest Director.'
The CQ World Wide WPX Contests are the second-most popular amateur radio contests in the world (after the CQ World Wide DX Contests). The SSB portion of the 2013 WPX Contest is this weekend, March 30-31; the CW weekend is in May. Any questions regarding the 2013 WPX Contests should be directed to Terry via e-mail to <director@...>.
We thank K5ZD for his dedicated service to the WPX Contests and look forward to a seamless transition to N4TZ's administration of the event."

EB8, CANARY ISLANDS. Look for EB8AH to be active from Magic Mountain in Gran Canaria during the CQWW WPX DX SSB Contest (March 30-31st) as a Multi-Single entry. Operators mentioned are Toivo/ES2RR, Salvadoe/EA5DY, Pekka/EA8AH, Manual/EA8ZS and Juan/EA8RM. QSL via LoTW. Visit the EB8AH FaceBook page at:
http://www.facebook.com/pages/EA8-Magic-Mountain-Contest-Station/268124623206320

ED9, CEUTA AND MELILLA. Operators Jorge/EA7HZ, Julio/EA7JB, Chris/EA7RU and Jorge/EA9LZ will be active as ED9Z during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 30-31st) as a Multi-Single entry. The group will probably use Spiderbeam antennas again. QSL via LoTW or EA9LZ direct. No Bureau.

EV50, BELARUS. Here is your last chance to work special event station EV50WB this week. In celebration of the 50th anniversary, members of the Dalnye Strany Radio Club (EW1WB) will be active during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 30-31st) as a Single-Band (40m)/Low-Power entry. QSL via EU1AZ, direct or by the Bureau. Also via LoTW.

FH, MAYOTTE. Members of the "Italian Dxpedition Team" have announced that their next DXpedition will be to the Island of Mayotte Island between

October 3-17th. The only other details that were provided are:
HF Pilot station: Fred, IK7JWY
6m Pilot station: Sergi, IK0FTA
Software Management (real-time log on line) by Giacomo, IH9GPI
More details will be forthcoming. Related Web pages are:
Official website: http://www.i2ysb.com
Official forum: http://www.hamradioweb.org

H27, CYPRUS. Operators Tony/RT9T, Alex/5B8AD, Eugene/R2AA, Mike/RK3QS, Oleg/UA9CDV, Alex/R9WR, Vadim/UA9SCX, Alexey/RN3TT and Victoria/UU6JR will be active as H27A during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 30-31st) as a Multi-Op/Single-Transmitter entry. QSL via RW3RN.

HQ2, HONDURAS. Hiro, JA6WFM, will be active as HQ2N from San Pedro Sula during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 30-31st) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (10m)/Low-Power entry. QSL via EA5GL or LoTW. Hiro will be here until January 2014.

IOTA NEWS.....
EU-042. Harald, DJ2II, will be active as homecall/p from Langeness Island (DID N-019, WLOTA 1245, WWFF DLFF-013) between May 21-30st. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via his home callsign, by the Bureau or direct. Visit his Web site at: http://www.dj2ii.de

SA-049. Members of the Radio Club Ushuaia (LU8XW), who activated the special callsign LT5X from Isla Redonda, had to limit their operation on March 24th due to bad weather and lack of electricity.

SA-055. Horacio, LU4DXU, will be active as LU1DMG from Martin Garcia Island between now and April 2nd. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using a Yaesu FT-857 with a TL-922 amp into a 3 element Tri-band yagi and slopers for the lower bands. QSL via LU4DXU.

ISWL CALLSIGNS (For April). The following ISWL club callsigns will be used throughout the month of April 2013:

GX4BJC/A - Operated from Towcester, in Northamptonshire, by Phil, G4DMS (ISWL Council Member). (/A WAB Square SP65, England, and IOTA EU-005).

MX1SWL/A - Operated from Lambourn, in Berkshire, England, by John, G0GWK. (/A WAB Square SU37 and IOTA EU-005).

ALL QSLs will be handled by Herbie, G6XOU, and NOT the individual operator. The I.S.W.L. is a member of the European PSK Club. All QSL info is on <www.iswl.org.uk> or <www.qrz.com> or via <www.eQSL.cc>. NO LoTW. I.S.W.L. Awards are available to all Hams and SWLs, see <www.iswl.org.uk> for full details. The eQSL.cc cards ARE welcomed for their awards.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (April 1-7th)....
Apr/01st AN Apr/04th AN Apr/06th AN
Apr/02nd AN Apr/05th AN Apr/07th AN
Apr/03rd AN

SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS/INDEXES AND GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE
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NORMALITY GEOMAG K Values Alpha
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AN - Above Normal Quiet K=0-1 0-7
HN - High Normal Unsettled K=2 8-15
LN - Low Normal Active K=3 16-29
BN - Below Normal Minor Storm K=4 30-49
DIS - Disturbed Major Storm K=5 50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed Severe Storm K=6-9 100-400

KH8, AMERICAN SAMOA. Aki/ZL1GO (JE4EKO) and Jacky/ZL3CW (F2CW/WE3B)
reportedly have booked/confirmed a trip to American Samoa. Activity
will be from the Turtle and Shark Lodge, Village of Vaitogi, on the
southeast coast of Tutuila Island (OC-045, USI AS007S, WLOTA 4385)
between November 12-26th. Their operations will include the CQWW DX CW
Contest. They will join Bill, N6MW, who will be there between November
11-21st. Look for more details to be forthcoming.

PJ7, SINT MAARTEN. Philip, WA1ZAM, will be active as PJ7PL, a week before
the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th) and a week after. He will be
a Single-Op entry during the contest. Outside of the contest, he will
try some RTTY. QSL WA1ZAM.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (For March 25th and 28th)

4O7TC via UA3TCJ (d) EI2HMB via DG5SDQ R100AP via UA9XL
4X/UT5UGR via UT5UGR (d) EJ5GM via EI5GM R100MP via UA9OA
5B/RN3TT via RN3TT EX2F via RW6HS (d) SN1WIOSNA via SQ1KSL
5B4ALB via RT9T (d) FS/UA4CC via UA4CC SV2013ATGM via SZ2TSL (d)
5W0W via NR6M GB75HMSB via G0TOC T2GM via GM4FDM
6Y3M via VE3NE GX5MW via M6VFC T5TC via TA1HZ
8P6DR via G3RWL HA110RAEM via HA8MT TK/F4BKV via F4BKV
8Q7BN via OE3GBB II0IEE via IW0EFA TK/F4FET via F4FET
8Q7BX via DL8SBX II1TLA via I1YRL (CW) TK2INT via EA5KA
9Q6AL via DF9TA OR IZ1GZF (SSB) TO7BC via DL7BC
A3EAQ via SP5EAQ KH0XW via JQ2WTT (d) UP9L via RW6HS (d)
AM1PVC via EA1WD KH2L via W3HNK V73NS via W3HNK
CN2XN via DK2WV MJ/DJ7PR via DJ7PR VI100ACT via VK1ACA (B)
CS8/PD9DX via PD9DX (B) OH0/OG2W via OH2BEE XR0YG via G3TXF
CT3AS via DL3BK P40Z via W3HNK YP9W via YO9WF
CT8/PA4N via PA4N (B) PD70AW via PD2RKG YV5DTJ via YV5AJ (B)
EA3/DL1EHV via DL1EHV (e) PJ2/WB8LCD via WB8LCD ZB2FX via G3RFX
EG7SSM via EA7DK PJ4/W1SRD via W1SRD (L)ZB2MOLE via ZB2BU
EH5SIP via EA5HRD PJ7/DK5ON via DK5ON ZF2LC via W2SM
(e) eQSL only (d) direct only (B) Bureau only (L) LoTW only

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QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 5T0SP, 5Z4/DL1QW, 6Y3M, EI2CN, EP3SMH, H77REX, XU1A, YN4SU/9, ZF2BJ and ZL9HR

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RAFARS ANNIVERSARY (Special Event). Members of the Royal Air Force Amateur Radio Society will celebrate their 75th anniversary this year. Starting on April 1st, look for the following special callsigns to be on the air:
GB2RAF RAF Neatishead Radar Museum NR12 8YB with ATC Cadets; Contact Terry,G4PSH
GB0RAF RAF Waddington ARC Lincoln LN1 2BG; Contact Robert, G3VCA
G3RAF RAFC Cranwell Original Radio School Location NG34 8HB; Contact Roger, G3ZDW
G8RAF RAF Locking Nr BS24 8DB; Contact Kevin, G6ZRL
G8FC RAF Cosford WV7 3EX; Contact Mike, G3VAO
GB1BD RAF Banff Strike Wg Boyndie Airfield AB45 2JT; March 30th-April 1st; Contact MM0XDB
GB0WY RAF Wyton PE28 2EA(ATC); Contact David, M0ZZT
GB1BA RAF Barkston Heath NG32 2DQ (ATC); Contact David, M0ZZT
GB0HN RAF Halton HP22 5PG (ATC); Contact Malcolm, G7VRT
G3ELV RAF Henlow SG16 6DN; Contact Kevin, G0PWR
G6RAF RAF North Luffenham LE15; Contact Tony, G0WFV
GB0CW RAF Cranwell HQAC Radio Room NG34 8HB; Contact David, M0ZZT
GB0BN MOD Boscombe Down SP4 0JF; Contact N/K
GB4STB RAF Stanbridge; Contact Mark, M0HBQ
M6PAP RAF Tangmere PO20 2ES; Contact Peter, M6PAP
GB1PD RAF Pembroke Dock SA72 6WT (ATC); Contact Dennis, GW4RVA
GB2ATC RAF Grangemouth FK3 (ATC); Contact Robert, MM0RDT
N/K RAF Coalville 80 Wing (ATC); Contact M6SWS
M3WRL RAF Cranwell Data Only (no other information received); Contact Chris, M3WRL
W2R USA 0001-0400z 7.026/CW, 7.145/SSB, 1030-1800z 14.055/CW, 14.180/SSB Mike KE2EH

Note: Contact names are the persons who organised the SES.

ST2, SUDAN. Mario, CT1FTR, is now active as ST2FT from Khartoum until June. Activity will be on the HF and VHF bands using a Yaesu FT-857 with a SGC-230 tuner into a loop antenna. QSL via CT1FTR.

T2, TUVALU (Op Becomes SK). Andi, DL7ZZ, informs OPDX just before going to print that Ingolf, DL4JS, on March 28th, became a Silent Key during terrible accident during the DXpedition T2YY. No other details were provided. Ingolf was one of three German operators during the T2YY operation. He was a well-known serious technician and RTTY-operator and took part in activities such as 6V7M, HU2DX T00SW, 5K0Z, XV4YY, XU7AJS,

TO8YY, 9H9OB and 5T5DC. Operators Rich/DK8YY and Det/DL3ALI will still be active as T2YY in honor of Ingolf until April 4th as planned. They hope all DXers understand that their operation will only be sporadic. OPDX and it readers would like to send out our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of DL4JS.

T33, BANABA ISLAND. Reports indicate that last year's attempt to activate Banaba Island (OC-018) has been rescheduled during the first part November of this year. Other details mentioned are:
* The T33A team has booked a larger boat for this trip.
* They also state that the license has been approved by the government and have obtained landing permission.
* Elecraft is supplying six stations, both radios and amps.
* They are still looking for 2-3 operators to join them on this trip.
For Stateside operators that are interested, they will return before the Thanksgiving holiday. For more details, E-mail them at:
t33-ops@...
A Web site is under construction at: http://www.t33a.com

TM28, FRANCE (Special Event). Look for special event callsign TM28UFT to be active during the 28th annual meeting of the French CW Society, the Union Francaise des Telegraphistes UFT, which will be held in Panazol, Région Limousin, Center France, between April 7-21st. Activity will be on the HF bands and possibly more, for this CW only operation. QSL Manager is Bernard, F9IE. All QSOs will be confirmed by the Bureau. SWL QSL cards should go also via the French Bureau. After the operation and before you QSL, please check your QSO online at the UFT Web site <www.uft.net>. However, those who would like to have a direct card, should ask for it not before July 15th, to Bernard, F9IE, (QRZ.com address is correct). In such a case, don't forget SAE and 1 valid IRC or 2 USDs.

TM35, FRANCE (Special Event). To commemorate the 35th anniversary of the world well-known ARC of Provins, F6KOP, and the inauguration of its new facilities, look for the special callsign TM35KOP to be active between May 3-18th. Activity will be on all modes, including rare ones being used on 160m to 10 GHz. The WW Locator is JN18PN. Most of the activity will be on the weekend; May 8-9th and May 18, date of the manifestation in Provins. QSL via F6KOP via the French Bureau. Direct QSLs go to F5NQL (address ok on QRZ.com; include SAE, 1 valid IRC (preferred) or 2 USDs). As you know, F6KOP organized some big DXpeditions in the past like 5V7C, TO7C, 5H1C, J5C, XT2C, PJ4C, TJ9PF, 5X8C, TK7C, IS0R, TS7C, TM7CC, TM7C, and more in the French IOTAs.

FM/TO5, MARTINIQUE (NA-107). Al, F5VHJ, will once again be active as TO5A, from FM5BH's QTH during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via F5VHJ, direct or by the Bureau. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW.

V4, ST. KITTS. Jon, W5JON, will once again be active as V47JA from his vacation home in Calypso Bay, St. Kitts (NA-104, WW Loc. FK87SG), hill-side QTH located 300 feet from overlooking the Caribbean Sea and Atlantic

Ocean, between July 9th and August 10th. Activity will be on 160-10 meters (including 60m) using SSB and RTTY/Digital modes. Equipment is a Kenwood TS-590S, Yaesu FT-857D, and SB200 Amplifier. Antennas include: a 80-10m Multi-band Dipole, and metal roof mounted S9, 18' and 31' Verticals and 3 element Yagi for 6m. His operations will include the IARU HF Championship Contest (July 13-14th) and the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th0 as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. Also, XYL Cathy, W5HAM, will occasionally operate as V47HAM. ALL QSLs go to W5JON direct or via LoTW.

ZK3, TOKELAU (Update to OPDX.1095/Date Change). Operators Hans/DL6JGN and Guenter/DL2AWG will now be active as ZK3N from Nukunonu Atoll (OC-048) between April 15-30th (not April 23rd and May 8th as first announced). Reason for dates being changed is that the shipping service used has "updated boat schedule from Samoa to the Tokelau Islands." Therefore, they had to rebook their flights. For more details, visit the ZK3N Web page at: http://www.tokelau2013.de

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The following stations are expected to be active in the
CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 30-31st, 2013)

Thanks to Bill, NG3K, for providing OPDX readers with the following consolidated listing of the participants in the 2013 CQWW WPX SSB Contest. For a more detailed listing (and up-to-date changes/corrections) in HTML format, please visit Bill's Web page at:
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Contest DXCC Class QSL
Callsign Entity Route

3G1B Chile M/? XQ1KZ
3G3W Chile M/? XQ4CW
3V8BB Tunisia SOAB HP LX1NO
3V8SS Tunisia SOSB 15M LoTW; QSL via LX1NO
3Z6O Poland SOAB SP6NVK
3Z6V Poland HP SP6DVP; QSL via (B/d)
4K6FO Azerbaijan SOSB 4K6FO
8P2K Barbados SOSB 10M KU9C
A71AM Qatar M/2 A71AM
9A33P Croatia M/? 9A2NA
9A7A Croatia M/S LoTW; QSL via 9A1HDE
AH0BT Mariana Islands M/S 7L1FPU
CS8/PD9DX Azores SO PD9DX
DZ1B Philippines M/2 DU1BP
E7DX Bosnia & Herzogovina M/? E77E
EB8AH Canary Islands M/S LoTW
ED1R Spain M/S EC1KR
ED9Z Ceuta & Melilla M/S LoTW
EE1W Spain M/M EA1AZ
ES9C Estonia M/M LoTW; QSL via ES5RY

EV50WB Belarus SB40/LP EU1AZ; QSL via (B/d)
FM4KA Martinique SO NI5DX
FR4NT Reunion SO LP FR4NT
GJ2A Jersey SO M5RIC
GW100C Wales SOAB MW1LCR
H27A Cyprus M/S RW3RN
HA30S Hungary M/? HA30S Direct
HK1NA Colombia M/M K6IPM
HQ2N Honduras SOSB 10M LoTW; QSL via EA5GL
HQ9R Honduras SOSB 10M LoTW; QSL via K5WW
IB1B Italy SOAB LP LoTW
IO5O Italy M/S IK5RLP Direct
KG2A/VP9 Bermuda KG2A Direct
KG9N/C6A Bahamas LoTW; QSL via KG9N (B/d)
KH2KY Guam M/2 JA1MFR
KH0 Mariana Islands by R0FA & RA0FU
KP2MM Virgin Islands SOAB
LO5D Argentina SOSB 10M LU8EOT
LX7I Luxembourg SOAB LX2A
LY7A Lithuania M/M LoTW
LZ135LO Bulgaria LZ1KZA
NQ4I USA M/M LoTW
P40Z Aruba DF7ZS
PJ4D Bonaire M/2 LoTW; QSL via W1SRD (d)
R100AP Russia (Europe) M/2 UA9XL
RG3K Russia (Europe) M/S RG3K Direct
RN3F Russia (Europe) SOSB 10M RA3F
T48K Cuba M/S F5FYO
T5TC Somalia SOAB LP TA1HZ
T6MO Afghanistan SOSB K9GY
TM1W France SOSB 15M LoTW
TM4W France SOSB 15M LoTW
TM5A France SOAB HP LoTW; QSL via F5VHJ (B)
TM6M France M/? F4DXW
TM71A France F8DVD via (B/d)
TO7BC Mayotte QSL via DL7BC (B)
WP2Z Virgin Islands M/S KU9C
XP2I Greenland LP LoTW
YE1K Indonesia M/M YE1ZAT
YT8A Serbia SOSB 40M LoTW
Z39A Macedonia SOSB 20M Z39A Direct
ZL3IO New Zealand SOAB LP
ZL3X New Zealand M/2 ZL3PAH
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5W - Suggested frequencies for the 4-18 April 5W0M operation from Samoa (OC-097) [425DXN 1125] are:
CW 3526, 7026, 10116, 14026, 18086, 21026, 24906, 28026, 50107
SSB 3805, 7095, - 14210, 18120, 21255, 24945, 28440, 50110
RTTY 3580, 7041, 10137, 14077, 18104, 21098, 24924, 28098
A large team of German operators will be active with four stations and various antennas, with a serious effort on EME on 144 MHz. QSL via DL4SVA, direct or bureau; QSL for EME QSOs via DL9MS. The log will be uploaded to LoTW about 6 months after the expedition. Logsearch, OQRS for direct/bureau cards and further information at http://5w0m.hkmann.de/
8P - Jeff, VA3QSL will be active holiday style as 8P9HI from Barbados (NA-021) on 6-13 April. QSL via home call, direct or bureau.
9M2 - Jacek, SP5APW will be active as 9M2/SP5APW from Pulau Perhentian Besar (AS-073) on 1-7 May. He plans to be QRV holiday style on 20, 15, 12 and 10 metres SSB and some digital modes. QSL via home call. Updates will be posted to http://as-073.blogspot.com [TNX SP5APW]
CO - Look for T48T to be active from the historical site of Playitas de Cajobabo, Cuba (NA-015) on 6-7 April. Activity will be on 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 metres SSB, CW and digital modes. QSL via EA5KB. [TNX EA5KB]
CY0 - Gary, VE1RGB and Murray, WA4DAN will be active from Sable Island (NA-063) on 1-11 October. The call CY0P has been chosen and issued in recognition of the newest National Park in Canada. They will operate CW, SSB and RTTY on 160-10 metres. Further information is expected in due course. [TNX NG3K]
E5_sc - Mauri, AG1LE will be active as E51DXX from Rarotonga (OC-013), South Cook Islands on 1-13 April. QSL via home call.
F - Special callsign TM28UFT will be active on 7-21 April for the 28th General Assembly of the Union Francaise des Telegraphistes (www.uft.net) to be held in Panazol (Limoges). QSL via F9IE (all of the QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau). [TNX F5NQL]
F - Celebrating the 35th anniversary of the Radio Club de Provins (F6KOP), special callsign TM35KOP will be in use on 3-18 May on

all bands and modes. QSL via bureau to F6KOP or direct to F5NQL.
[TNX F5NQL]
F - A team of ten operators from Belgium will be active as TM7T from
the Chausey Islands (EU-039) on 26-28 July. The main activity (SSB
and CW) will be during the IOTA Contest. QSL via ON8ZL, direct or
bureau. [TNX rsgbiota.org]
FH - Silvano, I2YSB and the Italian DXpedition Team will be active from
Mayotte (AF-027) on 3-17 October. Further information is expected
in due course. [TNX IK7JWY]
FR - Guy, F5MNW will be active as FR/F5MNW from Reunion Island (AF-016)
on 6-29 April. He will operate only CW on the HF bands. QSL via
home call. [TNX DX World]
G - Commemorating the 75th anniversary of the First Class CW
Operators' Club (FOC), a month-long event will be held on 1-31 May
featuring many special "FOC" suffix callsigns from around the
world. The anniversary call for FOC club station will be GB75FOC,
with GP4FOC to be used when operating from Guernsey, GS4FOC from
Scotland and GT4FOC from the Isle of Man. QSLs via G3SWH.
Information on the relevant award can be found at www.g4foc.org
[TNX KR3E]
I - Ezio IK2AHB, Diego IW2MZX, Alessandro IW5ELA, Andrea IZ2AJE and
Fabio IZ2GMT will be active as IA5A from Isola del Giglio (EU-028)
from 29 April to 4 May (www.vbdxc.altervista.org). They will
operate SSB, CW, RTTY and PSK31 on 80-6 metres with three
stations. QSL via IK2AHB, direct or bureau. Logsearch and OQRS on
Club Log. [TNX IZ2GMT]
J6 - Look for Rob, J6/N7QT and Frans, J69DS to be active from St Lucia
(NA-108) on 5-16 April. They will operate CW, SSB and RTTY or PSK
on 80-10 metres, with field portable activity (battery only and
lightweight antennas) from beaches or mountain tops. QSL J6/N7QT
via home call (direct or bureau), LoTW and eQSL; QSL J69DS direct
only. [TNX NG3K]
J8 - Brian, GW4DVB (www.g4dvb.co.uk) will be active as J8/G4DVB from
Palm Island (NA-025) on 13-20 April. [TNX DX World]
JA - Takio, JH3QFL (V6H) and Keizo, JH3AZC (V6S) will be active from
Pohnpei (OC-010), Micronesia from 29 April to 5 May. They will
operate SSB, CW, RTTY and JT65 on 80-6 metres. QSL via home calls.
[TNX NG3K]
KP2 - Look for K1HP/KP2 (QSL via JE2EHP), KP2/JF1BVG (QSL via JF1BVG)
and WH7P/KP2 (QSL via JP1IOF) to be active on all bands and modes
from St. Croix, Virgin Islands (NA-106) on 3-9 April. QSL direct
or via the JARL bureau, and LoTW. [TNX NG3K]
LU - Horacio, LU4DXU expects to be active on 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10
metres as LU1DMG from Martin Garcia Island (SA-055) from 30 March
to 2 April. QSL via LU4DXU. [TNX DX World]
OZ - Ela, DL1TM (OZ7TM) and Tor, DJ4MG (5P4MG) will be active from
Vendsyssel-Thy / Nordjylland (EU-171) on 1-18 April. They plan to
be QRV on 160, 80, 40, 20, 17 and 15 metres SSB and PSK31. QSL via
home calls, bureau preferred. [TNX DXNL]
PA - Fred, PA0FAW will be active as PA150BA on 1-28 April to celebrate

the 150th anniversary of Bronbeek, a military museum and home for veterans in Arnhem. He will operate mainly CW, with some SSB and digital modes. QSL via home call, direct and bureau, and eQSL.
PA - Queen Beatrix of the Netherlands will formally end her 33-year long reign on 30 April, and leave monarchy to Crown-Prince Willem-Alexander. To celebrate this event, quite a number of Dutch special stations will be active before, during and after the inauguration day. To name a few:
02 April - 30 April PA13KING QSL via PA9JO
11 April - 08 May PB200KING QSL via PA1TX
15 April - 12 May PB2013KING QSL via PA9LUC
18 April - 05 May PA200KING QSL via PD5ROB
20 April - 01 May PB33Q QSL via PA7DA
20 April - 11 May PG6KING QSL via PD9ND
22 April - 02 May PC13KING QSL via PA1DV
26 April - 23 May PA33KBX QSL via PA0ABM
T33 - The T33A DXpedition to Banaba Island (OC-018) [425DXN 1120] has been rescheduled with 6-17 November as expected QRV dates. Activity will be on all bands and modes with six stations. Two or three experienced operators are being sought. If willing to join the group, email t33-ops[at]t33a.com. A website is under construction at www.t33a.com [TNX The Daily DX]
V4 - Once again John, W5JON will be active as V47JA from St. Kitts (NA-104) from 9 July to 10 August. He will operate SSB and digital modes on all bands, and will participate in the IARU HF World Championship and the RSGB IOTA Contest. His wife Cathy, W5HAM will occasionally operate as V47HAM. QSL via W5JON and LoTW. [TNX W5JON]
V6 - Haru, JA1XGI will be active as V63XG from Pohnpei (OC-010), Micronesia on 3-11 April. He plans to operate CW, SSB, RTTY and JT65 on 160-6 metres. With a 2-element yagi for 17 and 12 metres, and a vertical for 40, 30, 20, 15 and 10 metres. QSL via JA1XGI, direct or bureau. Further information and logsearch at http://island.geocities.jp/v63xg/index.htm
VP9 - Gary, WB4DNL will be active as WB4DNL/VP9 from Bermuda (NA-005) on 3-10 April. He will operate SSB and CW on 160-10 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau, and LoTW. [TNX The Daily DX]
W - Ron, K5HM and Matt, K5NGU will use the Brazos Valley ARC's callsign KK5W to operate from Mustang Island (NA-092) on 6-7 April. QSL direct to KK5W. [TNX rsgbiota.org]
XE - The Club de Radio Experimentadores de Occidente celebrates its 80th anniversary this year, and will be active as 4A1TD at various times until 31 December, including several contests. QSL via XE1GZU. [TNX XE1H]
ZK3 - The ZK3N DXpedition to Tokelau [425DXN 1141] has been brought forward, and Hans, DL6JGN and Guenter, DL2AWG will now be active on 15-30 April. They will operate CW, SSB and digital modes on 80-10 metres. QSL via DL2AWG. [TNX DX World]

CARIBBEAN TOUR ---> Rick, AI5P will be active holiday style as J75PX from Dominica (NA-101) on 6-20 April and as TO5PX from Martinique (NA-107) on

20-30 April. QSLs via AI5P. [TNX The Daily DX]

CQ WW WPX SSB CONTEST ---> The following stations have announced their participation in this year's event (30-31 March):

Call Category Country QSL

3G1B M/? Chile XQ1KZ
3G3W M/? Chile XQ4CW
3V8BB SOAB HP Tunisia LX1NO
3V8SS SOSB 15m LP Tunisia LX1NO
3Z6O SOAB Poland SP6NVK
3Z6V HP Poland SP6DVP
4A1TD MO Mexico XE1GZU
4K6FO SOSB LP Azerbaijan 4K6FO
8P2K SOSB 10m Barbados KU9C
9A33P M/? Croatia 9A2NA
9A7A M/S Croatia 9A1HDE
A71AM M/2 Qatar A71AM
AH0BT M/S Mariana Isls 7L1FPU
CS8/PD9DX SO Azores PD9DX
DZ1B M/2 Philippines DU1BP
E7DX M/? Bosnia & Herz. E77E
EA8/EA1BP SOSB QRP 15m Canary Isls EA1BP
EB8AH M/S Canary Isls LoTW
ED1R M/S Spain EC1KR
ED9Z M/S Ceuta & Melilla EA9LZ
EE1W M/M Spain EA1AZ
EI1A SOAB LP Ireland PA3249
ES9C M/M Estonia ES5RY
EV50WB SOSB 40m LP Belarus EU1AZ
FM4KA SO Martinique NI5DX
FR4NT SO LP Reunion FR4NT
GJ2A SOAB HP Jersey LoTW
GW100C SOAB Wales MW1LCR
H27A M/S Cyprus RW3RN
HA30S M/? Hungary HG1S
HK1NA M/M Colombia K6IPM
HQ2N SOSB 10m Honduras EA5GL
HQ9R SOSB LP 10m Honduras K5WW
HS0ZIP SO Thailand KC7X
IB1B SOAB LP Italy LoTW
IO5O M/S Italy IK5RLP
KG2A/VP9 SO Bermuda KG2A
KG9N/C6A Bahamas KG9N
KH0/RA0FU SOAB Mariana Isls RA0FU
KH2KY M/2 Guam JA1MFR
KP2MM SOAB Virgin Is LoTW
LO5D SOSB 10m Argentina LU8EOT
LX7I SOAB Luxembourg LX2A
LY7A M/M Lithuania LotW

LZ135LO Bulgaria LZ1KZA
P40Z SOAB Aruba W3HNK
PJ4D M/2 Bonaire W1SRD
PV7M SO LP Brazil PT7ZT
R100AP M/2 Russia (EU) UA9XL
RN3F SOSB 10m Russia (EU) RA3F
T2TT SOAB or SOSB 10m Tuvalu K8NA
T48K M/S Cuba F5FYO
T5TC SOAB LP Somalia TA1HZ
T6MO SOSB LP Afghanistan K9GY
TM1W SOSB 15m France LotW
TM4W SOSB 15m France LotW
TM5A SOAB HP France F5VHJ
TM6M M/? France F4DXW
TM71A France F8DVD
TO7BC Mayotte DL7BC
WP2Z M/S Virgin Isls KU9C
YE1K M/M Indonesia YE1ZAT
YT8A SOSB 40m Serbia LotW
ZL3X M/2 New Zealand ZL3PAH
Do not forget to give a look at the Announced Operations listing maintained by Bill, at http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/wpxs2013.html. Good contest to you all!

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** GOOD TO KNOW ... ****
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Direttore Responsabile I2VGW

GALILEO SPECIAL EVENT ---> Detailed information on the European Space Agency's Amateur Radio 2013 Galileo Special Event, running through 2013 to "celebrate the achievements of the Galileo satellite navigation project", can be found at https://sites.google.com/site/hamradiogalileo/home. The first activity period started on 14 March and will end on 7 April. [TNX I0WTD]

WARD AWARD ---> The WARD (World Amateur Radio Day) Award commemorates the World Amateur Radio Day celebrated by IARU on 18 April each year. The award is sponsored by MK QTC (the Polish Amateur Radio Journal) and PZK (the Polish Amateur Radio Union), and it is issued to licenced amateurs and SWLs for contacts made/heard between 00.00 and 23.59 UTC on 18 April. Details can be found at http://qtc.suchacz.eu/articles.php?article_id=5 [TNX SP2FAP]

+ SILENT KEY + Ingolf Schuster, DL4JS died on 28 March "due to a terrible accident" during the T2YY DXpedition to Tuvalu. An RTTY specialist, over the years he participated in several operations - 5K0Z, XU7AJS, 5T5DC, 6V7M, TO8YY, 9H9OB, XV4YY and HU2DX to name a few. The other two team members (Rich, DK8YY and Det, DL3ALI) will still be QRV as T2YY to honour Ingolf's memory until 4 April, but understandably their activity will only be sporadic. [TNX DL7ZZ]

QSLs received direct or through managers: 3B9/OH1LEG, 3D2C, 4A0MAYA,
4S7DXG, 5C5W, 5H1Z/3 (AF-075), 5T0SP, 5U8NK, 5W0W, 5Z4/DL1QW, 5Z4EE, 6Y3M,
7X2ARA, 7X4AN, 7Y50I, 7Z7AB (AS-190), 8P9NX, 9M2AX, A45XR, A5A, A62A, A62HI
(AS-021), AD0AX/VY0, AH0/N0AT, C31CT, CT9/DG3FAW, CX5CBA, D2QR, D3AA,
DU3/N0QM, DU7TET, E77DX, EI2CN, EP3SMH, ER1OO, ES4RD, FR/DJ7RJ, FR4NT,
GJ2A, H44UD, H77REX, HC2AC, J6/W4VAB, J8/W6HGF, JG8NQJ/JD1, JY4CI, K2J,
KH8/M1KTA, LU6W (SA-096), OA7/DF7NX, OJ0X, P29NI, P29VCX, PJ2/DL4JS, PJ2T,
PJ4/W9NJY, PJ4X, RI0K (AS-061), RI0K/p (AS-092), RW0BG/9 (AS-083 and
AS-109), T30PY, T40C, T6LG, TC0P (AS-099), TI5N, UA0ZAM/P, UN1L, V25A,
V25X, V73NS, VK9HR, VP2ME, VP2V/AA7A, VR2UW, VR2XMT, WP2NN, XE3/OH2NSW,
XP1A, XT2SE, XT2TT, XU1A, XV2RZ, XX9THX, YI1RZ, YN4SU/9, Z60WW, Z81Z, ZB3R,
ZD7VC, ZF2BJ, ZL9HR.

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20966. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-30 13:01:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 20966

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:Issued: 2013 Mar 30 1239 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30330
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 30 Mar 2013, 1219UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 30 Mar 2013 until 01 Apr 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >= 50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Active conditions expected (A>=20 or K=4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 30 Mar 2013 10CM FLUX: 109 / AP: 018
PREDICTIONS FOR 31 Mar 2013 10CM FLUX: 115 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 01 Apr 2013 10CM FLUX: 120 / AP: 012
COMMENT: Solar activity is expected to reach eruptive levels with risks
of C-class flares from NOAA ARs 1708 and 1710. A returning region,
(previously AR 1698) is just beginning its transit on the disk, and
might contribute as well to the slight increase in solar activity.
Geomagnetic activity is expected to be mostly quiet for the next 48
hours, with periods of unsettled conditions. Minor storms conditions
were observed on March 29 and from 00 to 06 UT on March 30. Strong
excursions (down to -10 nT) of the Bz component of the interplanetary
magnetic field were observed on March 29th, by the ACE spacecraft.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 052, BASED ON 08 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 29 Mar 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 105
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 050
AK WINGST : 029
ESTIMATED AP : 033
ESTIMATED ISN : 049, BASED ON 10 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
END
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20967. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-03-31 13:01:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 20967

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:Issued: 2013 Mar 31 1245 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30331
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 31 Mar 2013, 1215UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 31 Mar 2013 until 02 Apr 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >= 50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 31 Mar 2013 10CM FLUX: 115 / AP: 002
PREDICTIONS FOR 01 Apr 2013 10CM FLUX: 120 / AP: 001
PREDICTIONS FOR 02 Apr 2013 10CM FLUX: 123 / AP: 007
COMMENT: Solar activity is expected to reach eruptive levels with risks
of C class flares from NOAA AR 1708, 1710 and 1711. The past 24 hours
were quiet; the only noticeable event being a weak type II radio burst,
around 1320UT, linked to a small eruptive event (B4.8) in NOAA AR 1708,
with no obvious CME. Geomagnetic activity is expected to be quiet for
the next 48 hours.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 061, BASED ON 13 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 30 Mar 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 108
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 017
AK WINGST : 019
ESTIMATED AP : 020
ESTIMATED ISN : 052, BASED ON 13 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
END
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20968. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-01 13:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 20968

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:Issued: 2013 Apr 01 1246 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30401
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 01 Apr 2013, 1243UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 01 Apr 2013 until 03 Apr 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Quiet conditions (<50% probability of C-class flares)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 01 Apr 2013 10CM FLUX: 113 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 02 Apr 2013 10CM FLUX: 113 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 03 Apr 2013 10CM FLUX: 113 / AP: 007
COMMENT: Solar activity has been quiet during the past 24 hours,
featuring no C flares. Only B-level flares are expected within the next
48 hours, with a chance for a C flare from AR 11711 and 11712.
Geomagnetic activity was at quiet levels (NOAA Kp between 1 and 2)
during the past 24 hours. Quiet (K Dourbes < 4) conditions are expected
for April 1 to 3.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 057, BASED ON 08 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 31 Mar 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 113
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 010
AK WINGST : 006
ESTIMATED AP : 005
ESTIMATED ISN : 064, BASED ON 17 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
END
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20969. TO5BG

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-01 21:09:56 UTC
From: VE1AL
Topic: 20969 Message: 20969

> I notice that I have a QSO with TO5BG over the weekend. But I can't find
> any information. Did I bust the call? If the station was active, what
> is the country?
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> Al, VE1AL
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20970. Re: [DX-IS] TO5BG

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-01 21:21:51 UTC
From: Jim Kehler
Topic: 20969 Message: 20970

Google sez:

Note from DL1VDL [25 Mar 2013]

TO5BG is F6ASS, Pascal Dupire,
He will be again QRV in WPX SSB 2013.

On 4/1/2013 5:09 PM, VE1AL wrote:
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20971. RE: [DX-IS] TO5BG

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-01 21:22:14 UTC
From: KQ8M
Topic: 20969 Message: 20971

HE was in Guadeloupe. Not much info that I could find either.

73,

Tim Herrick, KQ8M

Charter Member North Coast Contesters

kq8m@...

AR-Cluster V6 kq8m.no-ip.org

User Ports: 23, 7373 with local skimmer, 7374 without local skimmer

Server Ports: V6 3607, V4 Active 3605, V4 Passive 3606

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of VE1AL
Sent: Monday, April 01, 2013 5:10 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] TO5BG

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20972. Re: [DX-IS] TO5BG

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-01 21:24:44 UTC
From: Pete Smith N4ZR
Topic: 20969 Message: 20972

Probably Martinique

73, Pete N4ZR
Check out the Reverse Beacon Network at
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20973. RE: [DX-IS] TO5BG

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-01 21:37:05 UTC
From: VE1AL
Topic: 20969 Message: 20973

I don't know what I was thinking...the TO5 prefix was properly logged anyway. But for my log info, thanks for letting me know it was actually FG. I've corrected it in my everyday log.

73

Al, VE1AL

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Pete Smith N4ZR
Sent: Monday, April 01, 2013 6:25 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] TO5BG

Probably Martinique

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20974. Re: [DX-IS] TO5BG

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-02 11:38:39 UTC
From: Pete Smith N4ZR
Topic: 20969 Message: 20974

You may want to verify that if you can. Latest cty.dat shows all TO5s
except a TO22 as Martinique, but does not show TO5BG.

73, Pete N4ZR
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20975. RE: [DX-IS] TO5BG

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-02 12:51:44 UTC
From: KQ8M
Topic: 20969 Message: 20975

I don't think they have a rhyme no reason to the numbering. I have worked: TO5A FM, TO5DX FJ, TO5FJ FJ, TO5G FY, TO5J FM, TO5RV TK,
TO5RZ FJ, TO5X FM. I don't work everyone that comes down the pike and these are mainly contest but as you can see they are all over
the place with them.

73,

Tim Herrick, KQ8M

Charter Member North Coast Contesters

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AR-Cluster V6 kq8m.no-ip.org

User Ports: 23, 7373 with local skimmer, 7374 without local skimmer

Server Ports: V6 3607, V4 Active 3605, V4 Passive 3606

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Pete Smith N4ZR
Sent: Tuesday, April 02, 2013 7:39 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] TO5BG

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-02 12:54:07 UTC
From: VE1AL
Topic: 20969 Message: 20976

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Date: 2013-04-02 12:59:27 UTC
From: VE1AL
Topic: 20969 Message: 20977

As unhappy as I am with the FCC for what they've done, my frustration with the French bureaucracy for the worldwide confusion they have caused is quadrupled. Only "good" thing about these moronic T-prefixes is that there are relatively few of them by comparison to W2s in FL and N6s in GA, MA & ME, KL7s in TX, etc., etc.

73

Al, VE1AL

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of KQ8M
Sent: Tuesday, April 02, 2013 9:52 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] TO5BG

I don't think they have a rhyme no reason to the numbering. I have worked: TO5A FM, TO5DX FJ, TO5FJ FJ, TO5G FY, TO5J FM, TO5RV TK, TO5RZ FJ, TO5X FM. I don't work everyone that comes down the pike and these are mainly contest but as you can see they are all over the place with them.

73,

Tim Herrick, KQ8M

Charter Member North Coast Contesters

kq8m@...

AR-Cluster V6 kq8m.no-ip.org

User Ports: 23, 7373 with local skimmer, 7374 without local skimmer

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20978. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-02 13:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 20978

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20979. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-02 13:13:28 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 20979

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:Issued: 2013 Apr 02 1310 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30402
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 02 Apr 2013, 1305UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 02 Apr 2013 until 04 Apr 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Quiet conditions (<50% probability of C-class flares)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 02 Apr 2013 10CM FLUX: 115 / AP: 003
PREDICTIONS FOR 03 Apr 2013 10CM FLUX: 115 / AP: 005
PREDICTIONS FOR 04 Apr 2013 10CM FLUX: 116 / AP: 007
COMMENT: Solar activity has been quiet during the past 24 hours,
featuring no C flares. Only B-level flares are expected within the next
48 hours, with a chance for a C flare from AR 11711 and a newly emerging
region east of AR 11708.Geomagnetic activity was at quiet levels (NOAA
Kp between 0 and 2) during the past 24 hours. Quiet (K Dourbes < 4)
conditions are expected for April 2 to 4.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 069, BASED ON 12 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 1 Apr 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 119
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 011
AK WINGST : 006
ESTIMATED AP : 005
ESTIMATED ISN : 057, BASED ON 20 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
END
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20980. Re: [DX-IS] TO5BG

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-02 13:22:05 UTC
From: Pete Smith N4ZR
Topic: 20969 Message: 20980

Great, so it's covered, and I'm sure it will be in the next cty.dat file.

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20981. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-02 14:01:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 20981

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20982. Blank SIDC reports

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-02 16:07:34 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 20982 Message: 20982

The defect that causes the sending blank SIDC reports has been
fixed. Also, they will now be issued at 15:01 UTC instead of 14:01 UTC.

73, Paul VE1DX

20983. VK9CZ

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-02 16:27:42 UTC
From: donhall161
Topic: 20983 Message: 20983

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Good job!!

73 Don K5AQ

20984. RE: [DX-IS] VK9CZ

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-02 17:58:43 UTC
From: VE1AL
Topic: 20983 Message: 20984

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of donhall161
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20985. W3LPL spots GONE!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-02 18:06:57 UTC
From: VE1AL
Topic: 20985 Message: 20985

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20986. Re: [DX-IS] VK9CZ

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-02 18:12:04 UTC
From: iain macdonnell - N6ML
Topic: 20983 Message: 20986

Their internet connectivity is not sufficient to support frequent
online log updates. Suggest you upload to LotW and hope to see a match
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http://www.facebook.com/DXWORLD.NET/posts/532648786781316

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20987. RE: [DX-IS] VK9CZ

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-02 18:16:02 UTC
From: VE1AL
Topic: 20983 Message: 20987

Good grief, Iain! What's instant about "a couple of days"?

Whoops, I forgot I'm from the old school. OK, I'll wait. :-)

73

Al, VE1AL

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of
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Yahoo! Groups Links

20988. Re: [DX-IS] W3LPL spots GONE!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-02 19:03:14 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 20985 Message: 20988

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20989. RE: [DX-IS] W3LPL spots GONE!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-02 19:05:56 UTC
From: VE1AL
Topic: 20985 Message: 20989

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20990. Re: [DX-IS] VK9CZ

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-02 19:31:54 UTC
From: donhall161
Topic: 20983 Message: 20990

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73 Don

20991. RE: [DX-IS] VK9CZ

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-02 19:36:15 UTC
From: VE1AL
Topic: 20983 Message: 20991

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-02 19:50:57 UTC
From: Bob
Topic: 20983 Message: 20992

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20993. FT5/Z

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-02 19:51:49 UTC
From: Radio K0HB
Topic: 20993 Message: 20993

http://www.tcdxa.org/Newsletters/March2013Grayline.pdf

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73, de Hans, K0HB
"Just a boy and his radio"
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Sea stories at --------> http://K0HB.wordpress.com
Superstition trails ---> http://OldSlowHans.com

20994. RE: [DX-IS] VK9CZ

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-02 19:56:55 UTC
From: VE1AL
Topic: 20983 Message: 20994

That's gotta be an outstanding memory, Bob. My buddy VE1BVD is only a block from me and I had a QSO with him on 17M SSB several years ago. That's the only band slot I need for VE and do you think I can get a card out of him? Nahhh.☺

73

Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Bob
Sent: Tuesday, April 02, 2013 4:51 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
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20995. Re: [DX-IS] W3LPL spots GONE!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-02 20:27:29 UTC
From: Bob
Topic: 20985 Message: 20995

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20996. Re: [DX-IS] W3LPL spots GONE!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-02 22:17:01 UTC
From: Richard Solomon
Topic: 20985 Message: 20996

Don't forget the W1's in Arizona. There are several of us !!

73, Dick, W1KSZ

ps: wait till N8A starts up !!

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20997. IS0GQX QSO

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-02 23:15:18 UTC
From: VE1AL
Topic: 20997 Message: 20997

An unusual QSO a little while ago with IS0GQX.

Our last QSO was on 30M at 2240Z on April 2, 2012. Today's contact was close to the same QRG then and was logged at 2238Z.

We've made a date to meet again next year, same time, place and date! :-)

73

Al, VE1AL

20998. Re: [DX-IS] W3LPL spots GONE!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-02 23:25:58 UTC
From: Phil & Anne Irons
Topic: 20985 Message: 20998

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Phil/VE1BVD

20999. RE: [DX-IS] W3LPL spots GONE!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-02 23:29:03 UTC
From: Ron Notarius W3WN
Topic: 20985 Message: 20999

Move?

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Phil & Anne Irons
Sent: Tuesday, April 02, 2013 7:26 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] W3LPL spots GONE!

On 2013-04-02 16:03, Paul M Dunphy wrote:
> On 4/2/2013 3:06 PM, VE1AL wrote:
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21000. Re: [DX-IS] W3LPL spots GONE!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-02 23:33:11 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 20985 Message: 21000

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You can get noise cancelling headphones that eliminate that sort of
thing. I have a pair I use for flying. It reduces jet roar, babies
crying, etc. immensely.

Google "noise cancelling headphones" . . . it may be your solution. :-)

73, Paul VE1DX

21001. Re: [DX-IS] VK9CZ

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-03 00:45:07 UTC
From: Phil Snyder
Topic: 20983 Message: 21001

What?! you didn't get the courier service? I'll keep quiet then.....

Phil
N9LAH

On 4/2/2013 2:36 PM, VE1AL wrote:
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> hand-delivered QSL about an hour after the contact. ☺
> 73
> Al, VE1AL
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> *From:* DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] *On
> Behalf Of *donhall161
> *Sent:* Tuesday, April 02, 2013 4:32 PM
> *To:* DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> *Subject:* Re: [DX-IS] VK9CZ
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> □
> Al,
> The only way I found out mine was OK was to load my log into LoTW last
> night.
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> must have loaded them in the evening US time.
> Suggest you load your log into LoTW and learn about your QSO. Sort of
> complicated, but sure beats Box 88, Moscow!!
> 73 Don
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> No virus found in this message.
> Checked by AVG - www.avg.com <http://www.avg.com>
> Version: 2013.0.2904 / Virus Database: 2641/6205 - Release Date: 03/26/13
> Internal Virus Database is out of date.
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21002. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-03 14:01:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21002

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:Issued: 2013 Apr 03 1239 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30403
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 03 Apr 2013, 1227UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 03 Apr 2013 until 05 Apr 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >= 50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Active conditions expected (A>=20 or K=4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 03 Apr 2013 10CM FLUX: 122 / AP: 003
PREDICTIONS FOR 04 Apr 2013 10CM FLUX: 122 / AP: 019
PREDICTIONS FOR 05 Apr 2013 10CM FLUX: 123 / AP: 015
COMMENT: Solar activity has been eruptive during the past 24 hours,
with two C flares produced by NOAA AR 11708, the brightest one being a
C2.7 flare peaking around 09:43 UT on April 3. More C flares are
expected within the next 48 hours, with a slight chance for an M flare,
especially from NOAA AR 11708 in which flux and sunspots are currently
emerging. Geomagnetic activity was at quiet levels (K Dourbes between 0
and 3; NOAA Kp between 0 and 2) during the past 24 hours. Quiet (K
Dourbes < 4) to active (K Dourbes = 4) conditions are predicted for
April 3 to 5 due to an expected gradual rise in solar wind speed as a
result of a coronal hole high-speed stream passing by.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 068, BASED ON 13 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 2 Apr 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 122
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 006
AK WINGST : 006
ESTIMATED AP : 004
ESTIMATED ISN : 070, BASED ON 18 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
END
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21003. Re: [DX-IS] VK9CZ

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-03 19:17:50 UTC
From: iain macdonnell - N6ML
Topic: 20983 Message: 21003

Now in Club Log :)

http://www.clublog.org/charts/?c=vk9cz

73,

~iain / N6ML

On Tue, Apr 2, 2013 at 5:45 PM, Phil Snyder <n9lah@...> wrote:
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> What?! you didn't get the courier service? I'll keep quiet then.....
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> Sent: Tuesday, April 02, 2013 4:32 PM
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21004. RE: [DX-IS] VK9CZ

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-03 19:25:07 UTC
From: VE1AL
Topic: 20983 Message: 21004

That's just great, Iain. I'm good, knowing my 15M QSO is OK. To be honest, I had QRM from some guy calling on the frequency and honestly only caught "AL" out of the contact.

Heard them for a moment or two on 10 today but I had to leave and have not heard them since. See them spotted on 17 SSB but nary a peep here.

73

Al, VE1AL

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of iain macdonnell - N6ML
Sent: Wednesday, April 03, 2013 4:18 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] VK9CZ

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73,

~iain / N6ML

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Yahoo! Groups Links

21005. Re: [DX-IS] FT5/Z

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-04 03:43:26 UTC
From: Buzz Jehle
Topic: 20993 Message: 21005

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Thanks, Buzz N5UR

21006. RE: [DX-IS] FT5/Z

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-04 04:07:20 UTC
From: VE1AL
Topic: 20993 Message: 21006

Mine also says Ile Saint Paul et Amsterdam, Buzz. No indication of actual island. There are coordinates on the card if you want to plot it out.

73

Al, VE1AL

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Buzz Jehle
Sent: Thursday, April 04, 2013 12:43 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] FT5/Z

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Yahoo! Groups Links

21007. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-04 14:01:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21007

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:Issued: 2013 Apr 04 1311 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
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SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 04 Apr 2013, 1225UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 04 Apr 2013 until 06 Apr 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >= 50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Active conditions expected (A>=20 or K=4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 04 Apr 2013 10CM FLUX: 130 / AP: 009
PREDICTIONS FOR 05 Apr 2013 10CM FLUX: 130 / AP: 022
PREDICTIONS FOR 06 Apr 2013 10CM FLUX: 130 / AP: 011
COMMENT: Solar activity has been eruptive during the past 24 hours,
with two C flares produced by NOAA AR 11711 and NOAA AR 11713. The
brightest one was a C1.7 flare peaking around 18:45 UT on April 3, and
was released by NOAA AR 11711. More C flares are expected within the
next 48 hours, with a slight chance for an M flare, especially from NOAA
AR 11713. A large filament, centered near N30W60 erupted around 6h UT on
April 4. Further analysis is required to determine whether an
Earth-directed CME was associated with this event. Geomagnetic activity
was at quiet levels (NOAA Kp between 1 and 2) during the past 24 hours.
Quiet (K Dourbes < 4) to active (K Dourbes = 4) conditions are predicted
for April 4 to 6 due to an expected gradual rise in solar wind speed as
a result of a coronal hole high-speed stream passing by. A sector
boundary crossing from negative to positive is anticipated for April 5.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 064, BASED ON 10 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 3 Apr 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 103
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 127
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 009
AK WINGST : 004
ESTIMATED AP : 002
ESTIMATED ISN : 069, BASED ON 17 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
END
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21008. Re: [DX-IS] FT5/Z

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-04 14:12:03 UTC
From: Buzz Jehle
Topic: 20993 Message: 21008

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Yahoo! Groups Links

21009. RE: [DX-IS] FT5/Z

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-04 14:18:00 UTC
From: VE1AL
Topic: 20993 Message: 21009

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Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@...m] On Behalf Of Buzz Jehle
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To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] FT5/Z

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Yahoo! Groups Links

21010. RE: [DX-IS] FT5/Z

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-04 14:29:34 UTC
From: KQ8M
Topic: 20993 Message: 21010

I am with you, Al. but I don't work on antennas under 60F!

73,

Tim Herrick, KQ8M

Charter Member North Coast Contesters

kq8m@...

AR-Cluster V6 kq8m.no-ip.org

User Ports: 23, 7373 with local skimmer, 7374 without local skimmer

Server Ports: V6 3607, V4 Active 3605, V4 Passive 3606

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of VE1AL
Sent: Thursday, April 04, 2013 10:18 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] FT5/Z

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21011. Re: [DX-IS] FT5/Z

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-04 14:35:21 UTC
From: John G.
Topic: 20993 Message: 21011

Antennas never work right unless they are put up when it is under 32F. Some freezing rain and snow during installation makes them perform even better.

John AF5CC

----- Original Message -----
From: KQ8M
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Yahoo! Groups Links

21012. Re: [DX-IS] FT5/Z

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-04 15:42:41 UTC
From: Richard Solomon
Topic: 20993 Message: 21012

My FB8ZO card has Martin de Vivies on it. That's the settlement
on Amsterdam Island. So does my FB8ZM card.

73, Dick, W1KSZ

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21013. Re: [DX-IS] FT5/Z

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-04 16:13:54 UTC
From: GARY HUBER
Topic: 20993 Message: 21013

Don’t forget dark of night too.

73 ES DX,
Gary -- AB9M

From: John G.
Sent: Thursday, April 04, 2013 9:35 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
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21014. RE: [DX-IS] FT5/Z

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-04 18:09:53 UTC
From: VE1AL
Topic: 20993 Message: 21014

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21015. RE: [DX-IS] FT5/Z

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-04 18:11:28 UTC
From: VE1AL
Topic: 20993 Message: 21015

I didn't realize that was the name of the settlement. It is on my QSLs also.

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Richard Solomon
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21016. Re: [DX-IS] FT5/Z

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-04 18:50:57 UTC
From: John
Topic: 20993 Message: 21016

When I put my MA5B up in Iowa, I was on the roof the day before throwing down ice melter so it would be clear enough the next day to mount the antenna. Didn't let the XYL see that one, she thinks I am crazy enough already. The MA5B did work good, though.

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21017. ARLD014 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-04 21:47:08 UTC
From: jjreisert@...
Topic: 3202 Message: 21017

SB DX @ ARL $ARLD014
ARLD014 DX news

ZCZC AE14
QST de W1AW
DX Bulletin 14 ARLD014
>From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT April 4, 2013
To all radio amateurs

SB DX ARL ARLD014
ARLD014 DX news

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by N7QT, NC1L, The Weekly DX, the OPDX Bulletin, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, DXNL, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

TANZANIA, 5H. Maurizio, IK2GZU will be QRV as 5H3MB from April 7 to May 8 while working at a local hospital and orphanage. He will be active in his spare time on the HF bands. QSL to home call.

SAMOA, 5W. A large group of operators are QRV as 5W0M until April 18. Activity is on 80 to 6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY, with EME on 2 meters at limited times. QSL EME QSOs via DL9MS and all others via DL4SVA.

CHILE, CE. Special event station XR86PL is QRV until April 30 in commemoration of the 86th anniversary of the Chilean police, Carabineros de Chile. Activity is on all bands using SSB, RTTY and PSK. QSL via CE3ETE.

EASTER ISLAND, CE0Y. Pipe, CE3SX is QRV as XR0YX until April 11. Activity is on 6 meters only from grid DG52. QSL direct to home call.

PORTUGAL, CT. Special event station CS250CLE is QRV until the end of 2013 to celebrate the jubilee of the construction 250 years ago of the Torre dos Clerigos bell tower in Porto. QSL via CS5RPT.

FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY, DA. Special event station DP50IPAHB is QRV until the end of 2013 in commemoration of the close association between IPA and amateur radio in Bremen during the last 50 years. QSL via bureau.

ST. LUCIA, J6. Rob, N7QT is QRV as J6/N7QT and Frans, J69DS is also QRV from Babonneau until April 16. Activity is on 80 to 10 meters

using CW, SSB and either RTTY or PSK. They will also be singing /P from various locations on the island. QSL J6/N7QT to home call and J69DS direct.

SEYCHELLES, S7. Nobby, G0VJG is QRV as S79VJG from the Chalets Anse Forbans, Mahe Island, IOTA AF-024, until April 16. Activity is on the HF bands using SSB. QSL direct via G4DFI.

SUDAN, ST. Mario, CT1FTR is QRV as ST2FT from Khartoum until June. Activity is on the HF bands. QSL to home call.

GREECE, SV. Special event station SV2013ATGM is QRV until April 21 during the 8th International Alexander The Great Marathon. QSL direct via SZ2TSL.

BELIZE, V3. Ismael, XE1AY and Enrique, XE2AA will be QRV as V31MV and V32EE, respectively, along with Hernan, V31HU from Twin Cays from April 6 to 12. Activity will be on all HF bands including 6 meters. QSL all calls via IT9EJW.

MICRONESIA, V6. Haru, JA1XGI is QRV as V63XG from Pohnpei Island, IOTA OC-010, until April 11. Activity is on 160 to 6 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and JT65. QSL to home call.

VIET NAM, XV. Irek, SP3SUX will be QRV as XV4Y from Can Tho during the SP DX contest. QSL via operator's instructions.

ROMANIA, YO. Special event station YP20ARER is QRV until the end of 2013 in commemoration of 20 years of the Association of Romanian Amateur Environmentalists. QSL via YO6CUF.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The LZ Open 40-Meter CW Sprint Contest, PODXS 070 Club PSK 31 Flavors Contest, QRP ARCI Spring CW QSO Party, QRP CW Fox Hunt, NCCC RTTY Sprint, NCCC Sprint, SP DX Contest, EA RTTY Contest, Missouri QSO Party, Texas State Parks on the Air and the RSGB RoPoCo SSB event are all on tap for this weekend. The NAQCC Straight Key/Bug CW Sprint, CWops Mini-CWT Test and RSGB 80-Meter Club SSB Championship are all scheduled for April 10. Please see April QST, page 84, and the ARRL and WA7BNM Contest websites for details.
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21018. Woe is me

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-05 12:52:17 UTC
From: VE1AL
Topic: 21018 Message: 21018

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Blasted phone!!! :-)

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21019. Re: [DX-IS] Woe is me

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-05 13:07:26 UTC
From: Ron Notarius W3WN
Topic: 21018 Message: 21019

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21020. Re: [DX-IS] Woe is me

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-05 13:20:32 UTC
From: Frank T Brady
Topic: 21018 Message: 21020

Cannot believe you would answer the phone with needed dx audible - it
MUST be bandfill for you Al

73 frank w0ecs

On 4/5/2013 8:52 AM, VE1AL wrote:
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21021. Re: [DX-IS] Woe is me

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-05 13:20:46 UTC
From: Don Greenbaum
Topic: 21018 Message: 21021

I had a similar story with BS7H. I worked the group that didn't count (Scaffold Reef). I missed the next group because I on business in Dubai.

Around 15 years ago, BS7H was on 20 mtrs with a healthy signal and while the Alpha was warming (I was calling barefoot anyway) I got a call from Dubai. The same person I was visiting during the second trip.

15 minutes later when I was done there was no signal.

I learned later that day they had to QRT because of a political issue between the Chinese and Philippines.

Well, it became the only thing I needed for a decade. I was convinced Saeed would call me every time I tried to work them, but luckily he didn't (I would have answered the phone!!!).

There is always a next time.

Don
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21022. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-05 14:01:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21022

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:Issued: 2013 Apr 05 1235 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
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SIDC URSIGRAM 30405
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 05 Apr 2013, 1215UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 05 Apr 2013 until 07 Apr 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >= 50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 05 Apr 2013 10CM FLUX: 132 / AP: 003
PREDICTIONS FOR 06 Apr 2013 10CM FLUX: 133 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 07 Apr 2013 10CM FLUX: 133 / AP: 007
COMMENT: Solar activity has been eruptive during the past 24 hours,
with a C2.1 flare produced by returning NOAA AR 11695 on the East limb,
which peaked around 06:50 UT on April 5. More C flares are expected
within the next 48 hours, with a slight chance for an M flare,
especially from NOAA AR 11695 and 11713. A filament centered close to
25S45W erupted around 22:12 UT on April 4. The corresponding CME was
observed in LASCO C2 and COR2 A imagery, but is not expected to arrive
at Earth. Geomagnetic activity was at quiet levels (NOAA Kp between 0
and 1) during the past 24 hours. Quiet (K Dourbes < 4) conditions are
predicted for April 4 to 6 with a slight chance for active periods.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 078, BASED ON 05 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 4 Apr 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 095
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 129
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 006
AK WINGST : 006
ESTIMATED AP : 004
ESTIMATED ISN : 065, BASED ON 15 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
END
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21023. RE: [DX-IS] Woe is me

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-05 14:49:11 UTC
From: VE1AL
Topic: 21018 Message: 21023

Sure, Ron, remind me of that after the fact.....

73

Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Ron Notarius W3WN
Sent: Friday, April 05, 2013 10:07 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Woe is me

Simple solution:

Don't answer the phone.

Remember: The telephone is there for your convenience. So if it's inconvenient, don't answer it.

If the matter really is important, someone will either leave a message or call back.

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21024. RE: [DX-IS] Woe is me

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-05 14:58:36 UTC
From: VE1AL
Topic: 21018 Message: 21024

Yes, Frank, the call was one I'd been waiting for. I was hard pressed deciding which way to go!!! ☺

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Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Frank T Brady
Sent: Friday, April 05, 2013 10:21 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Woe is me

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21025. ARLP014 Propagation de K7RA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-05 15:12:13 UTC
From: jjreisert@...
Topic: 3232 Message: 21025

SB PROP @ ARL $ARLP014
ARLP014 Propagation de K7RA

ZCZC AP14
QST de W1AW
Propagation Forecast Bulletin 14 ARLP014
>From Tad Cook, K7RA
Seattle, WA April 5, 2013
To all radio amateurs

SB PROP ARL ARLP014
ARLP014 Propagation de K7RA

Solar activity increased over the past week, with average daily sunspot numbers up 32 points to 81.6, and average daily solar flux increasing more than 16 points to 113.4. The geomagnetic field was active on March 29, due to solar wind.

The predicted solar flux is 130 on April 5-7, 125, 115 and 110 on April 8-10, 105 on April 11-12, 120 on April 13-14, 115 on April 15, 110 on April 16-17, 105 on April 18-19, 100 on April 20-21, 105 on April 22 and 110 on April 23-24.

The predicted planetary A index is 5 on April 5, 8 on April 6, 5 on April 7-9, 8 on April 10-12, 5 on April 13-22, then 12, 8, 18 and 15 on April 23-26, 5 on April 27-29, and 8 on April 30 through May 4.

OK1HH predicts the geomagnetic field will be mostly quiet April 5, quiet to active April 6, quiet to unsettled April 7, mostly quiet April 8-9, quiet April 10, quiet to unsettled April 11-12, quiet to active April 13-14, mostly quiet April 15, active to disturbed April 16-17, mostly quiet April 18-19, quiet April 20-22, active to disturbed April 23, quiet to unsettled April 24, quiet to active April 25, quiet to unsettled April 26, and mostly quiet April 27.

Our three month moving average of sunspot numbers for January through March was 80.7. To review recent numbers, the three-month moving average of sunspot numbers centered on January, 2012 through February, 2013 were 83.3, 73.7, 71.2, 87.3, 91.5, 96.5, 91.9, 89.9, 81.2, 82.3, 74.4, 82.8, 73.6, and 80.7.

NBC ran an interesting report this week about modeling of the Sun's interior on a supercomputer. Read it at,
http://science.nbcnews.com/_news/2013/04/04/17603918-suns-magnetic-heartbeat-is-discovered
.

Jon Jones, N0JK reports: "I was in Hawaii during the weekend the CME impact March 17 mentioned by Bill, W3XO occurred. There was no significant VHF enhancement from the CME and geomagnetic propagation that day. If anything, conditions seemed worse on 6 meters. The day before the KH9 Wake Island beacon, H4 and 3D2 were in for hours.

"A day after the geomagnetic field started to settle down, propagation picked up. On March 22 the KH9/WA2YUN/b was in again for about 5 hours, and I worked stations in Australia and FK8CP on TEP around 0545 UTC. I was heard by BV2DQ in Taiwan. The KH9 beacon was back almost every evening until we left for home on March 23."

Jim Smith, K3RTU sent in another report from the field, working DX from his backpack-based radio. He writes, "Last emailed you on 2/25/2013 after working EA8BVP in the Canary Islands, with both of us running QRP. I had been operating from Ridley Creek State Park in FM29 (southeast PA). Since then I have made a number of good contacts from the same location, but yesterday April 3 I hit the jackpot on 17 meters. From 2045 UTC until 2124 UTC I worked the following stations using CW: R7AY and SV2JAO, then worked the following stations using SSB: S57DX, W7FE and IK4GRO. Both R7AY and SV2JAO gave me 559 reports and got a 5x6 from S57DX, 5x4 from IK4GRO, but W7FE could barely hear me. I was using my FT-817 and Buddistick again. To say the least, 17 meters was red hot but not the weather in FM29. Had to finally pack everything up into my backpack and head back to the car, which was a mile away, because of the mid 40s temperature and wind chill that made it feel like 30. It's hard to send CW when your fingers are stiff from the cold!"

Jim mentioned working W7FE, who is in Henderson, Nevada. Check out the W7FE page at http://www.qrz.com/db/W7FE to see what's inside the little building behind his house.

If you would like to make a comment or have a tip for our readers, email the author at, k7ra@....

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service web page at, http://arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals. For an explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin, see http://arrl.org/the-sun-the-earth-the-ionosphere. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at http://arrl.org/w1aw-bulletins-archive-propagation.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://arrl.org/propagation.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of ARRL bulletins are at http://arrl.org/bulletins.

Sunspot numbers for March 28 through April 3 were 49, 73, 70, 83, 84, 103, and 109, with a mean of 81.6. 10.7 cm flux was 98.7, 105.1, 108.4, 113.3, 119.1, 122.1, and 127, with a mean of 113.4. Estimated

planetary A indices were 9, 23, 17, 4, 6, 4, and 3, with a mean of 9.4. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 10, 19, 12, 3, 6, 4, and 3, with a mean of 8.1.
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21026. Re: [DX-IS] Woe is me

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-05 16:42:09 UTC
From: Frank T Brady
Topic: 21018 Message: 21026

Is VK9CZ a brand new one for you or a bandfill - that was my curiosity.
I've skipped many a bandfill - but NEVER a NEW country <g>
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21027. RE: [DX-IS] Woe is me

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-05 17:04:25 UTC
From: VE1AL
Topic: 21018 Message: 21027

No, I've had VK9C confirmed several times (one such QSO was with VK6DU when he visited Cocos-Keeling) but the newest operation is new for me on 15M SSB/CW. My earlier QSOs are on 20 SSB/CW and 30M. I also heard them on 12 today (of course) and later on 17M but today's numbers don't look like I'll make a QSO from here today. Lots of time left!

And yes, had it been a new country (could only have been P5), the phone would never have been answered!!!

Doesn't look like P5 is going to happen in the near future. Sure hope I can hang in until it does -- or it is blown off the face of the earth and deleted. Whichever comes first. ☺

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Frank T Brady
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21028. 425 DX News - #1144

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-05 17:21:09 UTC
From: r_brothers
Topic: 21028 Message: 21028

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No 1144
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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** DX INFORMATION ****
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Edited by I1JQJ & IK1ADH
Direttore Responsabile I2VGW

3D2 - Wes, ZL3TE will be active as 3D2SE from Fiji on 12-16 April. He will operate mainly CW with some digital modes, and will take part in the Japan International DX Contest (from 7 UTC on 13 April to 13 UTC on the 14th). QSL via home call and LoTW. [TNX W1AW]
CE - Special event call XR86PL will be in use on all bands and modes until 30 April to commemorate the 86th anniversary of Carabineros de Chile, the uniformed Chilean national police force and gendarmerie. QSL via CE3ETE. [TNX XQ7UP]
CT - CR5IARU is the special callsign for the Rede dos Emissores Portugueses, Portugal's national IARU society, to celebrate World Amateur Radio Day. Look for activity on all bands from 13 to 19 April. QSL via CT1REP (bureau or direct) and logsearch on Club Log.
DL - Helmut, DL5BUT will be active as DL5BUT/p from Ruegen Island (EU-057) on 6-17 April. He will operate CW, SSB and digital modes on 160, 80, 40 and 20 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX DX Newsletter]
DL - DB5BZ, DJ4RU, DK7LV, DL1BGC, DL2VFR, DL4BBH and DL7UXG will operate SSB and CW on all bands as DM50IOTA from Neuwerk Island (EU-127) on 12-14 April. QSL via bureau or direct to DL2VFR. [TNX rsgbiota.org]
DU - Dindo, DV1UD has received the DX8DX license for his operations from the islands of Bongao (OC-174), Tawi Tawi (OC-174) and Taganak (OC-225) [425DXN 1142]. The license is valid from 2 April through 31 May. Now he expects to be active from Bongao and Tawi Tawi for about one week around the third week of April, and then to move to Taganak. He plans to operate CW (preferred mode) and SSB on 80-10 metres with 100 watts to a vertical. QSL via M0OXO. Bookmark www.m0oxo.com/dx8dx.html for updates.
F - Gil, F4FET (http://f4fet.webs.com) will be active as F4FET/p from IOTA group EU-094 for 1-2 days between 11 and 18 April, hopefully on 13 and 14 April (but actual dates will depend on local conditions). He plans to operate from Ile aux Moutons and Ile de Guiriden, with activity focussed on 10, 15, 17 and 20m.
F - Members of the Charente DX Group (namely F5LOW, F5MNK, F6ANA, F6HKA, ON4ZD) will be active as TM0SI from Ile de Sein (EU-068) from 27 April to 4 May. They will operate SSB, CW and digital

modes on 80-10 metres. All of the QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau. The QSL route for direct cards is via F5LOW. Logsearch on Club Log. [TNX F5MNK]
FT5Z - An international team of 14 experienced DXpedition operators (led by K0IR and including 9V1YC, EY8MM, FM5CD, HK1R, K4UEE, K9CT, LA6VM, N4GRN, N6HC, VE3EJ, VE7CT, W6IZT and WB9Z) will be active from Amsterdam Island (AF-002) next year. The team has been granted an 18 day access to the island to occur between the dates of 15 January and 20 February 20 2014.
The team will sail from Fremantle, Australia aboard the Braveheart, and the voyage will last about 8 days. Landing must be timed according to sea conditions; this may necessitate waiting off shore until the conditions are suitable. The 18-day window includes setup and take down, but it will start when the operators step onto the island. The group plans to have eight stations on the air on 160-10 metres SSB, CW and RTTY from two different operating sites.
"This is a costly venture", as the expenses total just over USD 400,000. The International DX Association (INDEXA) and the Northern California DX Foundation (NCDXF) have already made generous contributions to this DXpedition; however the group "needs your financial support to successfully complete this major project and is asking all DX'ers to contribute what they can to make this happen". A website is under construction at www.amsterdamdx.org [TNX K0IR]
GD - Look for Angela MD/DL4DXF, Volker MD/DM5DM and Ralph MD/DL9MWG to be active from the Isle of Man (EU-116) between 6 and 13 April. They will operate CW and SSB on 160-6 metres. [TNX DX Newsletter]
HB0 - HB0/PA2HGJ, HB0/PA2HW, HB0/PA2RDK, HB0/PA3CNO, HB0/PA3DFR, HB0/PA3HK, HB0/PE0MGB and HB0/PE1FLO to be active from Liechtenstein on 13-20 April. They plan to operate CW, SSB and PSK31 on 160-10 metres. QSL via PE1FLO, direct or bureau. [TNX OPDX Bulletin]
I - Alfio IT9EJW, Salvatore IT9ELT, Sergio IW9FSG and Andrea IW9HQP plan to be active as homecall/p from Scoglio di Sant'Alessio Siculo (EU-025, IIA S-049) on 7 April (14, 21 or 18 April if weather/sea conditions are bad). The Italian Islands Award (IIA) is being revamped, please contact the Award Manager, Saverio Amore IK2RLS, for further information (ik2rls[@]ari.it).
IS0 - Luciano I3CLZ, Mauro IK3VUU, Bruno IW3HXR and Tony IZ2ESV will be active as IM0MA from Maddalena Island (EU-041) on 21-24 April. They will operate CW, SSB and digital modes on as many bands as possible. QSL via IK2DUW. [TNX IZ2ESV]
PA - Henk, PA0HFT and Gert, PA5TS will be active as PA0HFT from Terschelling Island (EU-038) on 8-14 April. QSL via PA0HFT, bureau preferred. [TNX rsgbiota.org]
SV9 - Dimis, SV9COL and others will operate as J49C until 30 June to celebrate the 100th anniversary of Crete's final annexation to the Kingdom of Greece. QSL via SV9COL (direct) and LoTW; logsearch on Club Log. [TNX SV9COL]
VK9L - Oliver, W6NV and Seppo, OH1VR will be active as VK9LT (10-14 April) and VK9/OH1VR (11-16 April) from Lord Howe Island (OC-004).

QSL via home calls. [TNX OPDX Bulletin]

CARIBBEAN TOUR ---> Rick, AI5P will be active holiday style as J75PX from Dominica (NA-101) on 6-20 April and as TO5PX from Martinique (NA-107) on 20 April-4 May. QSLs via AI5P. [TNX The Daily DX]

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** GOOD TO KNOW ... ****
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Edited by I1JQJ & IK1ADH
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DL4JS (SK) ---> There is a dedicated email address where to leave messages of condolence to Ingolf's (DL4JS) family and friends: condolence.dl4js[@]gmail.com (Andi, DL7ZZ says that a PayPal account for donations is in the process of being opened for that address).

IOTA NEWS ---> The following operations in the period February/March 2013 have provided acceptable validation and are therefore approved for IOTA credit: HK0/F6BFH (NA-033 & NA-049), HK1/F6BFH (SA-040), T47RRC (NA-086), T46RRC (NA-204), T48RRC (NA-218) and VY0/VE3VID (NA-174). [TNX G3KMA]

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******* QSL ROUTES *******
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3B8BAE K5XK ED1R EC1KR P40Z W3HNK
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3G3BC CE3NQV ED7R EA7IZJ PA150BA PA0FAW
3G3O CD3OPE ED8W EA8DO PA90CII PA2LO
3G3W XQ4CW ED9Z EA9LZ PB13ROYAL PB5X
3G5EC CE5PHI EE1W EA1AZ PH600NYK PA0RSM
3G6OS CE6RFP EE8T EA8MT PI9TP PE5ENJ
3V8BB LX1NO EF1W EA1WS PJ2T W3HNK
3W3B E21EIC EG1PEA EA1RKA PJ4D W3HNK
3Z2X SP2YWL EG1SSV EA1URV PJ7TM K2GSJ
3Z3WIOSNA SP3SBY EG7MSS EA7URM PR5B 6K5YPD
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4L0A EA7FTR EK3GM IK2QPR PW7T PT7WA
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4O7ZZ RZ1ZZ ES9C ES5RY R100MP UA9OA
4U1GSC 9A2AA EV50WB EU1AZ R250GS RL2A
4X0A 4X1VF EW6GF DL6KAC RL3A W3HNK
5C5W EA5XX EX2F RW6HS RY6Y N3SL
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5H3EE DL4ME FG4NN NI5DX SH3Y SM6JSM
5N7M OM3CGN FK8CE LZ1JZ SN150AW SP5CGN
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5R8UI IZ8CCW FR5DZ F6CXV SP0CFF SP2FAP
5W0M DL4SVA GB1PC GM0OBX SP9YFF SP9WAN
5W0W NR6M GB5CT M0XIG ST2DX PA7FM
5W1SA JA1DXA GW9T GW6NLP ST2FT CT1FTR
5Z4/EA4ATI EA4YK GZ5Y GM4SSA ST2SF K0YAK
6V7S RK4FF H27A RW3RN SZ3P SV3DCX
6W2SC HA3AUI H2T 5B4XF T2TT K8NA
6Y3M VE3NE HA110RAEM HA8MT T2YY DH7WW
7Q7DFC OE4VIE HB0/LX9EG/p LX1NO T5TC TA1HZ
7T50ARA 7X2ARA HB30OK HB9OCR T6MO K9GY
7X5QB EA7FTR HF15UM SQ9UM T6T RW6HS
7Z1TT NI5DX HF1WIOSNA SQ1KSM T88OK JH3IJF
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8P5A NN1N HG4F HA4FF TI4CF W3HNK
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8S0C SM0MPV HI3CC ON4IQ TK2INT EA5KA
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9A7A 9A1HDE HQ2N EA5GL TM5A F5VHJ
9A8RBX DO6SR HR2/NP3J EA5GL TM6M F4DXW
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A61KM NI5DX KH0/W1NDE JE1NDE V63XG JA1XGI
A61Q EA7FTR KH2KY JA1MFR V73NS W3HNK
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B3C BA4EG LR0DX EA5KB WP2Z KU9C
B7JA BA4EG LR2F LU2FA WP3A NP3O
BM0QRP BV3FG LR3M LU3MAM XE1B EB7DX
BW2/JP1RIW BM2JCC LU1DMG LU4DXU XE1SEK RW6HS
C4Z G3SWH LU6FOV EA5KB XR0YX CE3SX
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CE3CT EA5KB LW6DG EA5KB XR3P CE3PG
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CR3A EA5GL MJ5RIC M5RIC YI1RZ IK2DUW
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CR6K CT1ILT OD5ZZ NI5DX YP20ARER YO6CUF
CT3AS DL3BK OE8Q OE8SKQ YP7P YO7LFV
CV5D CX2ABC OF50AD OH6AD YP9W YO9WF
CW5W CX6VM OG30OJ OH3OJ YT0Z YU1ZZ
CX4ACH IK2DUW OG73X OH8L YT6T YU7CM
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D2QV UT0EA OH0V OH6LI YW4D EA7JX
D3AA UA1QV OH5Z OH5LIZ YW5DX W4SO
D4C IZ4DPV OL7M OK1YM YW5T YV5JBI
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21029. 425 DX Calendar - #1144

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From: r_brothers
Topic: 21029 Message: 21029

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-05 19:50:06 UTC
From: KQ8M
Topic: 21030 Message: 21030

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21031. RE: [DX-IS] old LOTW confirmations

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-05 20:41:14 UTC
From: VE1AL
Topic: 21030 Message: 21031

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of KQ8M
Sent: Friday, April 05, 2013 4:50 PM
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21032. RE: [DX-IS] old LOTW confirmations

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-05 20:46:23 UTC
From: KQ8M
Topic: 21030 Message: 21032

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-05 20:49:52 UTC
From: VE1AL
Topic: 21030 Message: 21033

You mean specific calls??

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-05 21:48:55 UTC
From: Jim Kehler
Topic: 21030 Message: 21034

I think I read someplace on the ARRL's web site that the oldest LoTW QSL was from 1956.

The oldest one I have is from 1986. Probably because the oldest logs I have in the computer are from 1986.....

73, Jim KH2D

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> Details <https://p1k.arrl.org/lotwuser/qsodetail?qso=121507545>
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> Tim Herrick, KQ8M
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> Charter Member North Coast Contesters
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> kq8m@...
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> AR-Cluster V6 kq8m.no-ip.org
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> User Ports: 23, 7373 with local skimmer, 7374 without local skimmer
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> Server Ports: V6 3607, V4 Active 3605, V4 Passive 3606
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21035. RE: [DX-IS] old LOTW confirmations

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-05 21:57:50 UTC
From: VE1AL
Topic: 21030 Message: 21035

As a matter of interest, Tim, I went back and looked at the last 1000 LoTW confirmations. Of those, there are dozens from 1990-1995 and three that I managed to find that are prior to 1985:

SM6JLU '84
PA0BWL '73
WA5SOG '70

I do recall one from 1969 and several others from the 70s but I can't easily find them.

Nonetheless, I am astounded that guys are digitizing their logs going so far back. If anyone wants a card for one of the stations I have logs for, an SAE + Canadian postage of $1.10 will get one to the US.

73

Al, VE1AL

BTW, VK9CZ was on 17 for a while and I might have made a QSO (more QRM on his QRG). Perhaps I'll be in tomorrow's upload. Perhaps I'll be back at the drawing board.

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of KQ8M
Sent: Friday, April 05, 2013 4:50 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] old LOTW confirmations

I just received this confirmation via LOTW:

Details <https://p1k.arrl.org/lotwuser/qsodetail?qso=120920264>

KQ8M

YU1FJK

1990-08-11 18:16:00

15M

CW

0.00000

SERBIA <https://p1k.arrl.org/lotwuser/qsodetail?qso=378070951>

Details <https://p1k.arrl.org/lotwuser/qsodetail?qso=121507546>

WB8JSQ

YU1FJK

1980-10-26 16:24:00

10M

SSB

0.00000

SERBIA <https://p1k.arrl.org/lotwuser/qsodetail?qso=378070816>

Details <https://p1k.arrl.org/lotwuser/qsodetail?qso=121507545>

WB8JSQ

YU1FJK

1980-03-15 16:06:00

10M

SSB

0.00000

SERBIA <https://p1k.arrl.org/lotwuser/qsodetail?qso=378070791>

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73,

Tim Herrick, KQ8M

Charter Member North Coast Contesters

kq8m@...

AR-Cluster V6 kq8m.no-ip.org

User Ports: 23, 7373 with local skimmer, 7374 without local skimmer

Server Ports: V6 3607, V4 Active 3605, V4 Passive 3606

21036. Re: Woe is me

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-05 23:00:14 UTC
From: John Huffman
Topic: 21018 Message: 21036

Al -

Answering machine.... it's the latest thing :-)

73 de K1ESE
John

21037. Vertical comparison question

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-06 01:56:40 UTC
From: John G.
Topic: 21037 Message: 21037

How do the "radialless" verticals, like the R5, R7000, MA5V, Gap ones, compare in performance to the standard 1/4 wave verticals that are roof mounted with radials? Does one tend to outperform the other? I am looking how each performs for DXing and longer haul communications.

73 John AF5CC

21038. RE: [DX-IS] Re: Woe is me

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-06 02:45:15 UTC
From: VE1AL
Topic: 21018 Message: 21038

Yeah, I know, John -- shudda, cudda, wudda! :-)

Al, VE1AL

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of
John Huffman
Sent: Friday, April 05, 2013 8:00 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: Woe is me

Al -

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73 de K1ESE
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Yahoo! Groups Links

21039. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-06 14:01:03 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21039

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:Issued: 2013 Apr 06 1243 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30406
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 06 Apr 2013, 1209UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 06 Apr 2013 until 08 Apr 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >= 50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 06 Apr 2013 10CM FLUX: 137 / AP: 005
PREDICTIONS FOR 07 Apr 2013 10CM FLUX: 138 / AP: 010
PREDICTIONS FOR 08 Apr 2013 10CM FLUX: 141 / AP: 007
COMMENT: Solar activity has been active during the past 24 hours, with
an M2.2 flare and two C flares. The M flare peaked at 17:48 UT on April
5, and was produced by new NOAA AR 11719 on the East limb. More C flares
are expected within the next 48 hours, with a good chance for an M
flare, especially from NOAA AR 11719 and 11718. Solar wind speed as
measured by ACE has been steadily increasing from about 260 km/s in the
second part of April 5 till about 360 km/s around 12h UT on April 6.
This could be due to the arrival of an expected coronal hole high speed
stream. A further increase of the solar wind speed is possible on April
6. Geomagnetic activity was at quiet levels (NOAA Kp between 1 and 2)
during the past 24 hours. Quiet (K Dourbes < 4) conditions are predicted
for April 6 to 8 with a slight chance for active periods due to the
possible arrival of a coronal hole high speed stream.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 074, BASED ON 08 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 5 Apr 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 116
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 134
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 008
AK WINGST : 003
ESTIMATED AP : 002
ESTIMATED ISN : 082, BASED ON 11 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
05 1734 1748 1804 M2.2 134 1719
END
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21040. DX use of SKIMMER

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-07 13:13:56 UTC
From: Brian Alsop
Topic: 21040 Message: 21040

Guys,

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I'd call in the pileup. Shut up and listen. About 5 QSO's later DX station would call me. I hadn't transmitted or QSY'd any in the interim.

This adds a new dimension to pileup breaking. If you move to follow the crowd + some offset, you likely wouldn't be where SKIMMER detected you. The result would likely be no QSO.

So add one more thought process of psyching out where the DX will be listening. Is he likely to be using as SKIMMER?

73 DE Brian/K3KO

No virus found in this message.
Checked by AVG - www.avg.com
Version: 2012.0.2240 / Virus Database: 2641/5730 - Release Date: 04/07/13

21041. Re: [DX-IS] DX use of SKIMMER

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-07 13:49:58 UTC
From: Kathy Bookmiller
Topic: 21040 Message: 21041

Thanks Brian for confirming a suspicion I had. I started to question what was going on when they'd be already giving the 5nn to another station as soon as I stood by. Now I have a pretty short call, W2NK, and had the keyer set at 26 wpm, only gave my call once, so how would they be already be in the midst of giving a report to a station with a long call like WB9XYZ. So they had to hear the WB9XYZ, give WB9XYZ's call and then the report-no something wasn't right:)
Kathy
PS No disrespect intended to WB9XYZ if there is someone with call, it was strictly picked out as an example of a long call and may or may not actually be issued to someone.

xYZ call so

From: Brian Alsop <alsopb@...m>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Sunday, April 7, 2013 9:13 AM
Subject: [DX-IS] DX use of SKIMMER

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Version: 2012.0.2240 / Virus Database: 2641/5730 - Release Date: 04/07/13

21042. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-07 14:01:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21042

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:Issued: 2013 Apr 07 1245 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30407
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 07 Apr 2013, 1203UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 07 Apr 2013 until 09 Apr 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >= 50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 07 Apr 2013 10CM FLUX: 141 / AP: 004
PREDICTIONS FOR 08 Apr 2013 10CM FLUX: 142 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 09 Apr 2013 10CM FLUX: 140 / AP: 007
COMMENT: Solar activity has been eruptive during the past 24 hours,
with seven low C flares. More C flares are expected within the next 48
hours, with a chance for an M flare. Geomagnetic activity was at quiet
levels (NOAA Kp = 1) during the past 24 hours. Quiet (K Dourbes < 4)
conditions are predicted for April 7 to 9.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 080, BASED ON 12 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 6 Apr 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 137
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 010
AK WINGST : 006
ESTIMATED AP : 004
ESTIMATED ISN : 075, BASED ON 18 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
END
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21043. Re: [DX-IS] DX use of SKIMMER

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-07 14:07:51 UTC
From: iain macdonnell - N6ML
Topic: 21040 Message: 21043

On Sun, Apr 7, 2013 at 6:49 AM, Kathy Bookmiller <wb2aio@...> wrote:
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> Thanks Brian for confirming a suspicion I had. I started to question what
> was going on when they'd be already giving the 5nn to another station as
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> set at 26 wpm, only gave my call once, so how would they be already be in
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~iain / N6ML

21044. Re: [DX-IS] DX use of SKIMMER

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-07 14:14:32 UTC
From: GARY HUBER
Topic: 21040 Message: 21044

In the past, maybe around the Fall of 2000, there was a DXpedition with operators who would listen to the CW pile, then run a string of three to five calls; AB9M 5NN, N9PE 5NN, N1SF 5NN, W1AW 5NN, QRZ UP 5. My friend Paul, N9PE (SK right after 9/11) thought the DXpedition operators were working from a list. They were, either a mental list or a hastily written list. There are great CW operators who can copy and work thru pile-ups this way, the problem is those in the pile, are they listening for a string of callsigns and QRZ UP or just calling mindlessly. CWSkimmers have changed the dynamics of the pile-up, but one still has to log the contact when you hear your call come back and worry less about if the DXpedition copied your report.

73 ES DX,
Gary -- AB9M

From: Brian Alsop
Sent: Sunday, April 07, 2013 8:13 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] DX use of SKIMMER

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So add one more thought process of psyching out where the DX will be
listening. Is he likely to be using as SKIMMER?

73 DE Brian/K3KO

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Checked by AVG - www.avg.com
Version: 2012.0.2240 / Virus Database: 2641/5730 - Release Date: 04/07/13

21045. Re: [DX-IS] DX use of SKIMMER

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-07 14:30:37 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 21040 Message: 21045

On 4/7/2013 11:14 AM, GARY HUBER wrote:
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Think about it . . . you hear SSB pileup where the DX Operator says "VE1DX your 59, now K3KO 59" . . . if one can do it in on language (English), why can't one proficient in another language (Morse) do the same? I heard one of the K5D (Desecheo - 2009) do it on 40m at 35-50 WPM, and he was even calling half the guys he worked by name. Something like this:

K5D UP
(roar)
VE1DX 5NN TU PAUL (BK> K3KO 5NN HI BRIAN <BK> VE1AL 5NN TNX AL <BK> K5D UP
(roar)

I am pretty sure I know who the OP was an I can guarantee he wasn't using a skimmer.

73, Paul VE1DX

21046. Re: [DX-IS] DX use of SKIMMER

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-07 15:01:22 UTC
From: Pete Smith N4ZR
Topic: 21040 Message: 21046

I agree with Paul on this. What use of Skimmer and SDRs on a DXpedition would do is to allow even moderately skilled operators to run 200+ per hour. With advance publicity, plus exhorting the masses to "5-10 up", even I could do that. It would take one or two DXpeditions doing this for the masses to get the idea, but it would sure enhance productivity.

73, Pete N4ZR
Check out the Reverse Beacon Network at
http://reversebeacon.net,
blog at reversebeacon.blogspot.com.
For spots, please go to your favorite
ARC V6 or VE7CC DX cluster node.

On 4/7/2013 10:30 AM, Paul M Dunphy wrote:
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21047. Re: [DX-IS] DX use of SKIMMER

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-07 15:22:51 UTC
From: Kathy Bookmiller
Topic: 21040 Message: 21047

Iain, obviously you have much more experience giving disclaimers then I :)

From: iain macdonnell - N6ML <ar@dseven.org>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Sunday, April 7, 2013 10:07 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] DX use of SKIMMER

On Sun, Apr 7, 2013 at 6:49 AM, Kathy Bookmiller <wb2aio@...> wrote:
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21048. Re: [DX-IS] DX use of SKIMMER

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-07 16:15:33 UTC
From: Bob
Topic: 21040 Message: 21048

Or out of the pileup the OP had copied multiple calls and was working from a self generated "list", no Skimmer involved. I've had long delayed responses like that long before skimmers were around. You can also hear that technique used on SSB.

The crowd if paying attention should not be moving as most should detect that he is running a receive frequency and if so would stay there where the last station worked was.

The Elecraft P3 is some operating aid/crutch for figuring out a pileup.

73,
Bob
K2TK ex KN2TKR (1956) & K2TKR

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21049. Re: [DX-IS] DX use of SKIMMER

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-07 16:52:35 UTC
From: Bob
Topic: 21040 Message: 21049

Another great from the past KH6IJ, Katachi Nose (SP?) did similar sometimes in contests
and would copy multiple contest exchanges not just a 599.

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> 73, Paul VE1DX
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21050. RE: [DX-IS] DX use of SKIMMER

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-07 18:26:00 UTC
From: Ron Notarius W3WN
Topic: 21040 Message: 21050

Sorry Brian, I disagree.

I don't think what you're seeing is necessarily use of Skimmer(s) or RBN stations by the DX.

I do think what you are most likely seeing is a good to excellent DX op.

Now: By no means do I mean to imply that I'm anything but a middlin' DX'er & contester. That said, though, there have been many times when I've had a pileup call me, and I could clearly distinguish 2 or 3 or even 5 calls.

For example:

Me: CQ Pa QSO Party W3WN QRZ?

Pileup: (almost all at once) W3WH N3SBF K3VX W4ZE

Me: W3WH, Hi Bill, 123 Allegheny

W3WH: QSL; 154 Washington

Me: Thanks Bill. N3SBF 124 Allegheny

N3SBF: QSL; 101 Clarion

Me: Thanks Carol, say hi to Richie. K3VX, Hi Larry, 125 Allegheny

K3VX: Thanks Ron, 98 Mercer

Me: QSL. W4ZE, 126 Allegheny

W4ZE: QSL, 154 South Florida

Me: Thanks Ted. QRZ Contest, Pa QSO Party W3WN

Pileup.

Might be a little tougher on voice than on CW - for me, but not for others.

Now, this is not to say that a given DX station isn't using technological assistance of some kind or another. Could be Skimmer. Could be code readers. Could be any of a dozen other things. But apples to oranges, I'd say it's just a good op who can pull multiple calls out of the pileup. Nothing more.

73, ron w3wn

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21051. RE: [DX-IS] DX use of SKIMMER

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-07 18:27:41 UTC
From: Ron Notarius W3WN
Topic: 21040 Message: 21051

Bob,

IIRC, wasn't KH6IJ noted for working a relatively fast op while a relatively slow op was still sending his call?

He was one of the all time greats!

73

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Bob
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To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
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On 4/7/2013 10:30 AM, Paul M Dunphy wrote:
> It's conceivable some DXpeditions are using a skimmer, but I highly
> doubt it. Most of the CW guys are the top echelon OPs and can do what
> Gary describes above. Anyone who remembers W9WNV (Don Miller) can
> attest to that. He'd listen to a pileup for 20-30 seconds, rattle off
> several calls with 5NN, break and do it again for hours at a time.
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> 73, Paul VE1DX
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21052. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1107

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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 31st-March, through Sunday, 7th-April there were 229 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3B9, 3D2, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5W, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9X, 9Y, A2, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C5, C6, C9, CE, CE0Y, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FH, FK, FM, FO, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J5, J6, J7, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JX, JY, K, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ7, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S2, S5, S7, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T2, T5, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TR, TT, TU, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V3, V4, V5, V6, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK9C, VP2E, VP2M, VP2V, VP5, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XW, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, Z8, ZA, ZB, ZD7, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

3D2, FIJI. Before heading to the International DX Convention in Visalia, CA, look for Wes, ZL3TE/W3SE, to be active as 3D2SE from Suva on the Island of Viti Levu (OC-016, WLOTA 0055) between April 12-16th. Activity will be casual, mainly CW, and some Digital modes possibe. He also states

that he will be operating in the Japan International DX CW Contest (April 13-14th). Logs will be uploaded to LoTW at a later date.

A3, TONGA. Vadum, UT6UD, will be active as A35UD from Tongatapu Island (OC-049) between May 1-7th. Activity will be on 40-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via UT6UD.

A3, TONGA. Masato "Masa", JA0RQV, a member of a DX group in region zero of JA known as JA0-DX-GANG, will be active as A35JP from Tongatapu Island (OC-049) between May 5-22nd. Activity will be limited as Masa is there working for the Tongan government. He mentions that he will try his best to be on every night (local time) after his work. Operations will be on 80-10 meters using CW and SSB. He will use 100 watts into a ATU and GP. QSL via his home callsign, by the Bureau or direct to: Masato Tamura, 891-4 Tomitake Nagano-city 381-0006 Japan (w/SASE and 1 IRC). He will upload later to LoTW. If you have any requests or a scheduled QSO, let him know by E-mail at: ja0rqv@...

CARIBBEAN TOUR. By the time you read this, Rick, AI5P, should be active as J75PX from the Sea Cliff Cottages, Dominica, on the NE side of the island (as reported by "The Daily DX") between April 6-20th. Activity will be holiday style. Rick will leave Dominica and fly to Martinique where he will be active as TO5PX between April 20th and May 4th. QSL both operation via AI5P.

E5, SOUTH COOK ISLANDS (Reminder). Mauri, AG1LE, is now active as E51DXX on a holiday/DXpedition from Rarotonga (OC-013) until April 13th. Activity will be on the HF bands. QSL via his home callsign.

FT5Z, AMSTERDAM ISLANDS (Press Release). Ralph Fedor, K0IR, sent out the following on April 3rd, to the 'The DX Community' [edited]: "I am pleased to announce a major DXpedition scheduled to occur during January and February of 2014.
An international team of 14 experienced DXpedition operators, led by K0IR, will depart from Fremantle, Australia, in early January of 2014.
Their destination will be Amsterdam Island (FT5Z).
Amsterdam Island is under the administration of Terres Australes et Antarctiques Francaises (TAAF). There are strict rules and environmental regulations in place on Amsterdam Island and access is limited. Representatives of this DXpedition team met with TAAF officials on Reunion Island in November and in Paris in early March. The team's plan and credentials were reviewed at those meetings, and resulted in TAAF's final, written authorization to land on Amsterdam Island and conduct this DXpedition.
The team has been granted an 18 day access to the island to occur between the dates of January 15th and February 20th of 2014.
The team will sail from Fremantle, Australia aboard the MV Braveheart.
The voyage to Amsterdam Island will take them through the 'roaring 40s' of the Indian Ocean and last about 8 days, depending on the wind and weather. TAAF has reviewed the Braveheart's specifications, environmental precautions, and emergency response plan and has designated anchorage conditions for the vessel. Landing at Amsterdam must be timed according

to sea conditions as there is no natural harbor to shield the landing area from the open sea. This may necessitate waiting off shore until the sea conditions are suitable. But, our 18 day window does not start until we step onto the island.
Once ashore, the team will move to two station positions assigned by TAAF. The two locations are about 2 kilometers apart. Each location will allow a full complement of antennas. The separation will allow simultaneous CW/RTTY and SSB transmission on the open bands. The group plans on eight stations; four at each location. Elecraft K3's, a full complement of antennas, and 500 watt and 1.5 KW amplifiers will be the backbone of the station configurations.
The operators are well known in the DXing and contesting world and include: 9V1YC, EY8MM, FM5CD, HK1R, K4UEE, K9CT, LA6VM, N4GRN, N6HC, VE3EJ, VE7CT, W6IZT, WB9Z, and yours truly K0IR.
Our website is in the final stages of preparation. When it is complete, you may access it at: http://www.amsterdamdx.org
The website will be password protected until it is ready.
As with past DXpeditions to 'Top Ten' countries, this is a costly venture. The expenses total just over $400,000 (U.S.). Each operator must contribute a minimum of $10,000 of his own money, pay his own way to Fremantle, Australia, be away from home and family for six weeks, spend 16 to 18 days at sea, and be prepared for the financial and physical risks inherent in a major DXpedition of this magnitude.
The group needs your financial support to successfully complete this major project and is asking all DX'ers to contribute what they can to make this happen. We know that clubs and major sponsors will help us; INDEXA has already made an extremely generous contribution to the project and the NCDXF has honored with a very large grant. But we also need the help of individual DX'ers, not only from North America, but also from Europe, Asia, Africa, South America, and Oceania. Let's make this happen!
Then, let's enjoy the chase of a new country, a new band country, or working a rare one! 73 ☐ Ralph Fedor ☐ K0IR"
ADDED NOTES:
* Since the press release, it was announced by Stan, SQ8X, that the callsign of the 2014 Amsterdam Island DXpedition will be FT5ZM.
Also, both Facebook and Twitter pages at now available at:
https://www.facebook.com/FT5ZM
https://twitter.com/FT5ZM
* NCDXF PRESS RELEASE (Major Grant to Amsterdam Island DXpedition):
"FOR IMMEDIATE PUBLICATION - April 4, 2013 -- The Northern California DX Foundation is pleased to announce a grant of $50,000 to the FT/Z Amsterdam Island DXpedition planned for Jan-Feb 2014. Amsterdam is #4 on the DX Magazine's Most Wanted List for 2013.
This is the second largest grant in NCDXF's history. Without major financial support from NCDXF, DXpeditions like this to challenging or rare locations would not be possible.
<www.amsterdamdx.org/> will soon post the DXpedition details.
For the past 41 years the NCDXF has funded major DXpeditions to many Most Wanted Entities. The credit for these large grants goes to the

NCDXF contributors, individuals and clubs, who make DX like this
possible. Have you contributed yet?
... 73, Glenn Johnson, W0GJ
NCDXF Vice President
<http://www.ncdxf.org>"

IDXC 9TH (PAESTUM CONVENTION) NEWS. Oreste, IZ8EDJ, reports that details (program info and official schedule) for the 9th International DX Convention 2013, held on April 28th, in Capaccio-Paestum (SA), Italy, are now available at: http://www.dxitalia.it/web/paestum/9th-idxc-2013 Reservations must be made no later than April 13, 2013 (to allow them to organize everything) via E-mail at: iz8edj@..., by telephone at 3342575485. Offical Web site is: http://www.dxitalia.it

IDXC 64TH (VISALIA CONVENTION) NEWS.....
* (Last Call IOTA Dinner). Ray, N6VR, reports that he has less than two weeks before he has to turn in his IOTA Dinner meal count. If you would like to attend the IOTA Dinner, he needs your check for 32 USDs as soon as possible. Please check the Int'l DX Convention Web page, Friday evening dinner, IOTA dinner, for details at: http://www.dxconvention.com Their featured guest is, Don, G3XTT. He is the Manager of the RSGB IOTA Contest. Don is also member of the RSGB IOTA board and will talk about the latest with the RSGB program and will make a presentation on his RECENT OJ0 operation. Other presenters are Fred, PY2XB, presenting on his SA-041 operation. They also have Rick, K6VVA, with C6AVA. Rick is full of surprises, he will have more! It will be an exciting and enjoyable Dinner! Ray needs your check by April 10th.

* The Intrepid-DX Group will be making a big announcement at the IDXC 2013 in Visalia on April 20th.

* The Intrepid-DX Group will honor a famous DXpeditioner with our "Intrepid Spirit Award" at IDXC 2013 on April 20th.

IOTA (Philippines) TOUR (Update to OPDX.1105). Dindo, DV1UD, has announced the dates to activate three of the 'most wanted' Islands in the DU area. Dindo will visit Bongao Island (OC-174) and Tawi-Tawi Island (OC-174) between April 9-11th. Activity from Taganak Island (OC-225) will be between April 13-15th. His callsign will be DX8DX, and activity will be on CW and SSB. Suggested frequencies are:
CW - 3530, 7030, 10115, 14040, 18098, 21040, 24920 and 28040 kHz
SSB - 3755, 7055, 14280, 18128, 21260, 24950, 28460 and 28560 kHz

QSL via M0OXO OQRS. For more details, visit his Blog page at: http://www.m0oxo.com/dx8dx.html

IOTA NEWS.....
EU-008. (Update) Members of the Camb-Hams will once again activate the Isle of Mull (IOSA NH15, SCOTIA CN10, WLOTA 2485), Inner Hebrides, as GS3PYE/p between May 10-16th. The Camb-Hams have been activating the Scottish Isles each year since 2008. Look for thirteen operators to be active on all bands and many modes

from 160-2 meters as well as 472 kHz. The HF bands will be covered by five simultaneous stations, while 6m, 4m and 2m stations will have a great take-off towards the UK and Europe from the island's south-east coast in IO76 square. They will have an antenna elevation system for 2m EME activity and will also be on many of the VHF/UHF satellite passes. WSPR beacons will be operating on most of the inactive bands to help find the best propagation. Contest operations will take place in 70 MHz CW on May 12th and 432 MHz UKAC on May 14th. The group will be active on the major social networks before, during and after the trip. You can check on progress or interact with the operators via their blog at <dx.camb-hams.com> or through Twitter <twitter.com/g3pye>, Facebook <facebook.com/CambHams> and YouTube <youtube.com/CambHams>. Previous trips have generated some great audio and video recordings of the GS3PYE/P signal from around the world. Check their previous blogs and their YouTube channel and see if you can post a better recording. Please E-mail <skeds-2013@camb-hams.com> to arrange skeds on the more challenging bands and modes. VHF and EME skeds will also be made via ON4KST and N0UK's EME Chat. All links are available via <dx.camb-hams.com>.

EU-041. Operators Tony/IZ2ESV, Bruno/IW3HXR, Mauro/IK3VUU and Luciano/ I3CLZ will be active as IM0MA from La Maddalena Archipelago (IIA OT-008, MIA MIS-013, WLOTA 1632, WWFF IFF-004) between April 21-24th. This activity is intended as a spring-break expedition, aimed firstly to relax and have fun on the air. Operations will be during their spare time on 80-10 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. QSL Manager is Antonello, IK2DUW.

EU-049. Five members Sands Contest Group from Morecambe, England, will be visiting the Island Samos (GIOTA SAS-006, MIA MG-099, WLOTA 4163), for a holiday and DXpedition between May 16-30th. The group will be using the callsign SZ8S (kindly loaned to them by the Aegean Radio Association), and operating from the Radio House at Zervou Point above Samos town. They mention that the actual days for operation are uncertain, but hope to start on Saturday May 18th. Operators mentioned are Barrie/G1JYB, Ian/ G0VGS, Stephany/G1LAT, Hughie/G4UME and Bob/G1OCK. QSL "ONLY" direct via G1LAT the QSL Manager in the UK (w/SASE and outside the UK w/SAE + 1 IRC or 2 USDs). QSLs by the Bureau or eQSL are via M0SCG. PLEASE DO NOT SEND ANY QSLS TO THE LISTED ADDRESS FOR SZ8S (FOR THIS DXPERDITION), AS YOU WILL NOT GET A REPLY. AS THIS IS THE AEGEAN RADIO ASSOCIATION□S SPECIAL CALLSIGN.

EU-057. Helmut, DL5BUT, will be active as homecall/p from Ruegen Island (DID O-007, WLOTA 1712) between now and April 17th. Activity will be holiday style on 160/80/40/20 meters using CW, SSB, and the Digital modes. Depending on the weather and conditions, look for a possible two day WWFF (World-Wide Flora

Fauna) operation from the National Park Jasmund (DLFF-007).
QSL via his home callsign, by the Bureau or direct.

EU-057. Operators Friedrich/DL4BBH, Matthias/DK7LV, Klaus/DL7UXG,
Henning/DB5BZ, Peter/DJ4RU and Ric/DL2VFR will be active as
DM50IOTA from Hiddensee Island (DID O-005, WLOTA 2371) between
September 28th and October 4th. Activity will be on all HF
bands using CW and SSB. This activation will also count for
the Vorpommern Lagoon Area National Park WWFF (World-Wide
Flora Fauna) reference DLFF-014. Also the lighthouse Dornbusch
(DLTD_GLHA #17, ARLHS FED-026, WLOTA 2371). QSL via DL2VFR,
by the Bureau or direct. For more details and updates, visit
the Web site at: http://www.iota-expedition.com
ADDED NOTE: This is the fourth German Island group activated by
DM50IOTA during the 50th IOTA Marathon. DM50IOTA will activate
all German IOTAs during that time. If you have worked DM50IOTA
from all German IOTA by the end of 2013 you can apply for a
special award.

EU-110. Nikola, AC6DD, will be active as 9A/AC6DD from Oprtalj-Portole,
Sveti Nikola, Croatia, in the Istra IOTA Group, during the
RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th) as a Single-Op/CW-Mode/
24HRS/High-Power entry. QSL via AC6DD.

EU-121. Andy, G7SQW, will be active as EJ/G7SQW from Arranmore Island
[aka Aran] (WLOTA 1189) between May 27-29th. Activity will
be on 40-6 meters. A radio, possibly with a yagi, will be
dedicated for 6 meters and will activate two WW Loc. grids
IO54 and IO55. This will be Andy's first IOTA activation.
QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

EU-121. Gerard, EI5KF, will once again be active as EI5KF/P from
Lohehort Battery, Bere Island [aka Bear] (WLOTA 2983), during
the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th), possibly as a Single-Op/
12HRS/CW-Mode/Low-Power entry. QSL via EI5KF.

EU-127. Operators Friedrich/DL4BBH, Klaus/DL7UXG, Matthias/DK7LV,
Henning/DB5BZ, Peter/DJ4RU, Helmut/DL1BGC and Ric/DL2VFR will
use the special callsign DM50IOTA from Neuwerk Island (DID
N-012) and lighthouse (DLTD_GLHS #38, ARLHS FED-165, TWLHD
WLH DL-01, WLOTA 2311 and Admiralty B 1344) between April
12-14th. Activity will be on all HF bands using CW and SSB.
This activation will also count for the National Park and
Nature Reserve Hamburg Wadden Sea (WWFF reference DLFF-005).
QSL via DL2VFR, by the Bureau or direct. For more details and
updates, visit the Web site at: http://www.iota-expedition.com
ADDED NOTE: This is the third German Island group activated by
DM50IOTA during the 50th IOTA Marathon. DM50IOTA will activate
all German IOTAs during that time. If you have worked DM50IOTA
from all German IOTA by the end of 2013 you can apply for a
special award.

NA-180. (Update) Operators Hernan/V31HU, Ismael/XE1AY (V31MV) and
Enrique/XE2AA (V32EE) will be active from Twin Cayes in the
South Water IOTA Group, Stann Creek district, Belize, between
now and April 12th. Activity will be on all bands including
6 meters. QSL all callsigns via IT9EJW. Visit their Website
at: http://www.it9ejw.it/v31

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (April 8-14th)....
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Apr/09th AN Apr/12th AN Apr/14th AN
Apr/10th AN

SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS/INDEXES AND GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE
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NORMALITY GEOMAG K Values Alpha
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AN - Above Normal Quiet K=0-1 0-7
HN - High Normal Unsettled K=2 8-15
LN - Low Normal Active K=3 16-29
BN - Below Normal Minor Storm K=4 30-49
DIS - Disturbed Major Storm K=5 50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed Severe Storm K=6-9 100-400

KH8, AMERICAN SAMOA (Update to OPDX.1106). Operators Aki/ZL1GO (JE4EKO)
and Jacky/ZL3CW (F2CW/WE3B) reportedly use the callsign N8A during their
American Samoa operation between November 12-26th.

KP2, U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS. Operators Philip/KT3Y, Frederick/K9VV and
Robert/WP2XX will be active from the KP2M rental shack on St. Croix
Island (NA-106) during the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 25-26th) as a Multi-
Single entry. QSL via AI4U (DIRECT ONLY) OR LoTW. NO BUREAU QSLs.

P29, PAPUA NEW GUINEA. Akira, JA1NLX, reports on his Web page, "I have
a plan to operate P29VNX from somewhere in Papua New Guinea this year.
P29VNX licence has been already issued and it is valid thru next January.
More info later......stay tuned." For more details and updates, watch
Akira's Web and Blog pages at:
http://www.asahi-net.or.jp/~yy7a-ysd/P29VNX-2013.htm
http://ja1nlx-aki.blogspot.jp

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (For April 7th)

3Z4ACC via SP4GFG EF5B via EA5HRT P29NO via EA5GL
3Z80SPC via 3Z6AEF EF7P via EA7IPP PY2ZZZ via OZ1HHH
8N1A via JA1YSW (B) GB4T via M0DOL SN3R via SP6GNJ
9M2/JE1SCJ via JE1SCJ GJ100RSGB via M0VFC SN7Q via SP7GIQ
CR5FC via CS5NRA HF55OP via SQ9CWO SO2R via SP3CGK
CT9/DL3OHB via DL3OHB LX9DX via LX2A TM28UFT via F9IE
E51DXX via AG1LE MD/DL9MWG via DL9MWG TR8CA via F6CBC
ED2Y via EA-Bureau OG3077F via OH3JF XV1X via RW6HS (d)
EE1D via EA1ACP OM/SP7VC via SP7VC ZM2B via ZL2BR
EE2W via EB2AM OU1RAEM via DF5LW

(e) eQSL only (d) direct only (B) Bureau only (L) LoTW only

T48K QSL ROUTE. For stations who worked T48K during the 2013 CQWW WPX SSB Contest, DK1WI is not the QSL Manager for this callsign any longer. Erhard will manage all T48K's operations from 1999 until last year's CQWW VHF Contest and will stop his services. The QSL Manager for the last CQWW WPX is Hugo, F5FYO. Please, send your cards, including SASE to: PO BOX 50033, La Reole, Cedex, 33191, France , or via REF Bureau.

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 3Z8T, 4Z4DX, 9M2/R6AF/P, BD2OB/7, C6ANM, CX3AL, DL3GD, EA3IN, EF5Y, FS/UA4CC, GW100C, HA8JV, II9P, J34G, J38A, JA8CMC, KH0/R0FA, LN8W, LZ9W, OK1AWZ, OZ1BTE, PJ2T, PJ7AA, PY2KJ, RU4LM, SN2M, SV1OZ, T2GM, TM6M, TN0INT, TK1INT, TK2INT, V31LJ, V44KAI, V47JA, V84SMD, VK9CZ, VP2EC, VP2V/KE2VB, VP9/WA1Z, VP9I, YB8Y, YE0M, YU1FJK and ZL3NB

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 7O6T, E51E, EU3DN, H40FN, KH2/G3ZEM, RI1FJ, RV3EFH/0, S21XV, TZ6BB, V25A, V63ZM, XT2TT and ZB3R

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: F5CQ, G3TXF, RK3DXW, VK5PAS and YB0NDT

S7, SEYCHELLES (Reminder). Nobby, G0VJG, is now active S79VJG from the Seychelles (AF-024) until April 16th. Activity will be on the 40-10 meters using SSB only and HF verticals on the beach (QRO). QSL via G4DFI.

SU, EGYPT. "After almost 9 Moons the License has been received", states Andy "Sparky", RW3AH. He is now active as SU9AF near Cairo, and his license is good for 160/40/20/17/15/12/10 meters (80/75/30m not allowed for use in Egypt). His equipment is an Icom IC-718, delta-loop for 20/10m and a vertical for 30/17/15/12m. He currently does not have a 160m antenna. Suggested frequencies (his favorites) are:
CW - 7002, 14002, 18070, 21002, 24895 and 28002 kHz
SSB - 7155, 14155, 14195, 18155, 21295, 24940 and 28495 kHz
6m/VHF/UHF/Satellite: Not permit for Amateur radio activity from Egypt.

The length of his stay is not known, but his license is good until the end of the 2013. QSL via UA3DX. He does have a survey for "modes and bands needs" on the following Web page at: http://www.CQDX.ru/su9af

S21XV VIDEO AVAILABLE ON YOUTUBE (9:08 mins.). This is the March 1-7th, 2013, S21XV Dhaka, Bangladesh, DXpedition by Vadym, UT6UD. See the video at: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7srW0eW1SmU

TS8, TUNISIA (Update). An Italian group, along with the Association des Radio Amateurs Tunisiens (ARAT) and the Engineering University of Gabes, are planning a second IOTA DXpedition to Djerba Island (AF-083, WW. Loc. JM53KT, WFF 3VFF-007, WLOTA L-1394 and ARLHS TUN-022), as TS8TI between April 29th and May 6th (see OPDX.1100, OPDX.1101 & OPDX.1102). Activity will be on all HF bands, including the 30/17/12/6 meter bands using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31/63/125 modes. Operators mentioned are Ashraf/KF5EYY, 3V8SA (ARCS of Tunisian Scout), 3V8ST (ARC of Tunis), 3V8ESG (Department of Communications and Networking National Engeneering School of Gabès), 3V8SF (Scout Radio Club of Sfax), Fred/IK7JWX (Team Leader), Antonello/IK2DUW (QSL Manager), Ampelio/IS0AGY, Rosy/IW2NLC (YL), Stefano/IK6JRI,

Vincenzo/IZ8LFI, Heathem/YI1UNH. QSL via IK2DUW, direct or by the Bureau. Logs will be available on LoTW, <http://www.ik2duw.it> or <http://www.mdxc.org/TS8TI/log-on-line>. The team is still in need of sponsors and individual contributions. Contact: ik7jwx2003@...
For more info updates and pictures, watch the following Web pages:
http://www.qrz.com/db/TS8TI/
http://www.arilimbiate.it/
https://www.facebook.com/alfredo.denisi

V6, MICRONESIA (Reminder). Haru, JA1XGI, is once again active as V63XG from Pohnpei Island (OC-010) until April 11th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters (especially 30/17/12m) using mainly CW, with some SSB and the Digital modes. Also JT65. Suggested frequencies are (no 80m) listed in OPDX.1094. QSL via JA1XGI, direct or by the Bureau. QSOs will be uploaded to LoTW. Look for updates and details on Haru new Web page or Blog page at: http://island.geocities.jp/v63xg/index.htm
http://ja1xgidxvacation.blogspot.com

VK9C, COCOS KEELING ISLANDS (Update). Operators Chris/GM3WOJ (ZK2V) and Keith/GM4YXI (ZK2X) are now active as VK9CZ from Cocos Keeling Island (OC-003) until April 13th. Activity will be on SSB and CW, with some RTTY. QSL via N3SL. For more details and updates, see their Web page at: http://www.vk9cz.com
Log is being uploaded to LoTW and is also available on ClubLog at:
http://www.clublog.org/charts/?c=vk9cz

VP9, BERMUDA. Eric, K9GY/T6MO, announced that he will be active possibly as VP9/K9GY or K9GY/VP9 in the Worked All Europe CW Contest in mid-August. He informs OPDX that he plans to be there between August 8-15th. Activity will probably be mainly CW on 40-10 meters. He also mentions, "Might be late in the season for 6m propagation, but it would be great to work Europe :-)". Activity will be from Ed's, VP9GE, Hamilton apartments QTH <see the Web page at: http://vp9ge.com >. QSL via K9GY.

XR86, CHILE (Special Event). Look for special event station XR86PL to be active until April 30th. Activity is to commemorate the 86th Anniversary of Carabineros de Chile (Chilean Police). Operations will be on all bands using SSB, RTTY and PSK. QSL via the home callsign (see QRZ.com) or CE3ETE.

YJ0, VANUATU. Bill, K2PO, will be active as YJ0PO from Efate Island (OC-035), one of Vanuatu's 82 islands, during the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 25-26th). He states that his activity will start a few days before and end a few days after. Operations will be on 80-10 meters. QSL via his home callsign. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW promptly after his return to the USA in early June.

YN, NICARAGUA. Eric, K9GY/T6MO, will be departing Afghanistan in about three weeks (shut down the T6MO station on April 28th). He informs OPDX, "Hope to be at Dayton if I can process through Ft Benning quick enough, hah!" In late May, Eric will once again be active as YN2GY from Octavio's, YN2N, QTH in Grenada. He states that he will be there May 22nd (probably more like May 23rd with the late flight) until early May 28th. While there

he will also be in the 2013 CQ WPX CW Contest (May 25-26th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. Outside of the contest, look for CW activity on 30/17/12 meters. Also look for him on 6 meters (he's hoping for some good 6m propagation). QSL via LoTW or to his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

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21053. NCDXF announces $50,000 grant to FT5ZM

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-07 23:24:40 UTC
From: Don Greenbaum
Topic: 21040 Message: 21053

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21054. RE: [DX-IS] NCDXF announces $50,000 grant to FT5ZM

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-07 23:48:48 UTC
From: VE1AL
Topic: 21040 Message: 21054

That'll cover my costs, Don. What are the others going to do?

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21055. Re: [DX-IS] NCDXF announces $50,000 grant to FT5ZM

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-07 23:57:52 UTC
From: John Peters
Topic: 21040 Message: 21055

Wait until you see how much they donate to support one I need!
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John K1ER
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21056. RE: [DX-IS] NCDXF announces $50,000 grant to FT5ZM

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-08 00:05:37 UTC
From: VE1AL
Topic: 21040 Message: 21056

I thought you had it all wrapped up, John. What is it you don't have? I also need only one, P5. And after seeing Olympus Has Fallen last night and considering all the sabre-rattling of late, I'm wondering if I'll ever get IT!! ☺

73

Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of John Peters
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21057. Re: [DX-IS] NCDXF announces $50,000 grant to FT5ZM

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-08 00:47:43 UTC
From: Jim Kehler
Topic: 21040 Message: 21057

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73, Jim KH2D

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21058. Re: [DX-IS] NCDXF announces $50,000 grant to FT5ZM

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-08 01:20:32 UTC
From: John Peters
Topic: 21040 Message: 21058

Tell them to GET A LICENSE and move to a rare spot.

73 John K1ER
----- Original Message -----
From: Jim Kehler
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Sunday, April 07, 2013 2:47 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] NCDXF announces $50,000 grant to FT5ZM

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21059. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-08 14:01:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21059

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:Issued: 2013 Apr 08 1155 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30408
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 08 Apr 2013, 1134UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 08 Apr 2013 until 10 Apr 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >= 50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 08 Apr 2013 10CM FLUX: 141 / AP: 004
PREDICTIONS FOR 09 Apr 2013 10CM FLUX: 144 / AP: 005
PREDICTIONS FOR 10 Apr 2013 10CM FLUX: 145 / AP: 003
COMMENT: Three out of nine active regions reported by NOAA today have
beta-gamma configuration of the photospheric magnetic field (NOAA ARs
1713, 1718, and 1719). So, despite no C-class flares today, we expect
flaring activity on the C-level, with an M-class flare possible but not
very likely. An eruption in the NOAA AR 1714 (Catania sunspot group 34)
was detected around 02:00 UT on April 8, accompanied by a local soft
X-ray flux peak at 01:44 UT at C1.1 level (no flare was reported).
Coronal dimmings and a post-eruption arcade observed by SDO/AIA indicate
the eruption of a CME. However, SOHO/LASCO did not detect any CME in
association with this event, and STEREO coronagraphs have a data gap.
Due to presumed weakness of the event (below the detectability threshold
of LASCO), any geomagnetic consequences are unlikely. The Earth is
currently inside a slow (around 350 km/s) solar wind flow with weak to
average (3-4 nT) interplanetary magnetic field magnitude. We expect
quiet geomagnetic conditions.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 090, BASED ON 09 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 7 Apr 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 138
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 007
AK WINGST : 005
ESTIMATED AP : 005
ESTIMATED ISN : 082, BASED ON 21 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
END
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21060. RE: [DX-IS] W3LPL spots GONE!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-09 05:20:21 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 20985 Message: 21060

Hi Paul/Al,

Well on the other side of things, W3LPL has been helping me out, spotting these rare ones early so that I can pounce and get in before the pile.
I haven't been able to get into the KP2 log yet for the current time but it's not from a lack of trying.

Have you noticed we've had some good south pole openings of recent times but I have proved on a couple of occasions now that just because I can hear a rare (and I mean rare for me) Caribbean station loud over the south pole, it doesn't mean he is automatically going to hear me... :(

Beaming south, (and sometime north :))
73, Lance - VK6DU

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Paul M Dunphy
Sent: Wednesday, 3 April 2013 7:33 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] W3LPL spots GONE!

On 4/2/2013 8:25 PM, Phil & Anne Irons wrote:
> On 2013-04-02 16:03, Paul M Dunphy wrote:
>> On 4/2/2013 3:06 PM, VE1AL wrote:
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>> >
>> > I am pleased to finally announce that, with the hands-on help of VE1BVD,
>> > my problem with W3LPL has been taken care of. VE7CC Cluster is now
>> > downloaded, the filters have been set to exclude both W3LPL and other MD
>> > spots (just in case) and I have been monitoring VE7CC through my DXbase
>> > cluster connection for more than an hour without a single W3LPL spot.
>> >
>> > I am very, very happy and want to thank all of you who helped me get to
>> > this point of euphoria!!! *:-)*
>> >
>> > 73
>> >
>> > Al, VE1AL
>> >
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>> Try to imagine how pleased the rest of us are now that we won't
>> hear any more complaints about it! :-)
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>> 73, Paul VE1DX
>
> You think you have problems! He's only 800 feet away from me, and I can hear

> him moaning in my shack with phones on!
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> 73,
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> Phil/VE1BVD
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>

You can get noise cancelling headphones that eliminate that sort of thing. I have a pair I use for flying. It reduces jet roar, babies crying, etc. immensely.

Google "noise cancelling headphones" . . . it may be your solution. :-)

73, Paul VE1DX

21061. RE: [DX-IS] DX use of SKIMMER

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-09 08:13:18 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 21040 Message: 21061

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Pete Smith N4ZR
Sent: Sunday, 7 April 2013 11:01 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Cc: Paul M Dunphy
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] DX use of SKIMMER

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For spots, please go to your favorite

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21062. Re: [DX-IS] DX use of SKIMMER

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-09 09:43:37 UTC
From: Brian Alsop
Topic: 21040 Message: 21062

Lance,
You have to check a box to tell SKIMMER to only spot calls sending CQ.

Otherwise it decodes all call it can. You wouldn't want to use this all calls option is a contest!

Thus in a pileup you can see the calls of the guys chasing the DX and at what freq.

73 de Brian/K3KO

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Date: 2013-04-09 10:36:08 UTC
From: Pete Smith N4ZR
Topic: 21040 Message: 21063

CW Skimmer (the single-band-at-a-time software) allows you to choose, and it shows all signals on the waterfall. In fact, it was originally designed to be a tool for DXers to crack pileups by showing you which caller had gotten through while you read the DX's CW. With Omni-Rig as part of the package, it permits you to QSY your radio to the successful caller's frequency. The first Skimmer did not even have a Telnet server.

What I was suggesting is the mirror image of this - rare DX using Skimmer to collect calls of 10, 20, or 30 callers at once and then run down the list. It is exactly the same process as those really good operators, but conducted on a scale and over a frequency range that even the very best could not hope to equal.

There are good screen shots and other info on http://dxatlas.com.

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21064. RE: [DX-IS] W3LPL spots GONE!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-09 13:58:25 UTC
From: VE1AL
Topic: 20985 Message: 21064

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21065. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-09 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21065

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:Issued: 2013 Apr 09 1311 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
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SIDC URSIGRAM 30409
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 09 Apr 2013, 1257UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 09 Apr 2013 until 11 Apr 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >= 50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 09 Apr 2013 10CM FLUX: 140 / AP: 007
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COMMENT: Nine sunspot groups were reported by Catania today. Only one
of them (Catania number 43, NOAA AR 1719) has beta-gamma configuration
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observed by SDO/AIA around 13:46 UT on April 8 was most probably
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The Earth is currently inside a slow (around 350 km/s) solar wind flow
with average (5-6 nT) interplanetary magnetic field magnitude. We expect
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TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 088, BASED ON 08 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 8 Apr 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 139
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 006
AK WINGST : 002
ESTIMATED AP : 001
ESTIMATED ISN : 089, BASED ON 16 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-09 15:42:03 UTC
From: Pete Smith N4ZR
Topic: 20985 Message: 21066

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-09 19:59:28 UTC
From: KQ8M
Topic: 21040 Message: 21067

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Charter Member North Coast Contesters

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AR-Cluster V6 kq8m.no-ip.org

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Sent: Tuesday, April 09, 2013 5:44 AM
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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-10 01:41:04 UTC
From: Pete Smith N4ZR
Topic: 21040 Message: 21068

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PREDICTIONS FOR 10 Apr 2013 10CM FLUX: 149 / AP: 005
PREDICTIONS FOR 11 Apr 2013 10CM FLUX: 151 / AP: 003
PREDICTIONS FOR 12 Apr 2013 10CM FLUX: 150 / AP: 004
COMMENT: Catania sunspot group 40 (NOAA AR 1718) is the only group that
produced C-class flares during the past 24 hours, all of them being
below the C2 level. This sunspot group, as well as Catania sunspot group
43 (NOAA AR 1719), maintain beta-gamma configuration of the photospheric
magnetic field. Together with two rapidly emerging sunspot groups in the
south-east quadrant (Catania number 44 and another group that is still
not numbered), these active regions are expected to provide flaring
activity on the C-level. An M-class flare is possible but not very
likely. The Earth is currently inside a slow (around 350 km/s) solar
wind flow with average (around 5 nT) interplanetary magnetic field
magnitude. We expect quiet geomagnetic conditions.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 096, BASED ON 06 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 9 Apr 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 147
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 147
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 007
AK WINGST : 003
ESTIMATED AP : 003
ESTIMATED ISN : 095, BASED ON 16 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
END
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21070. RE: VR2XLN

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-10 20:42:48 UTC
From: VE1AL
Topic: 21070 Message: 21070

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Al, VE1AL

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21071. Re: [DX-IS] RE: VR2XLN

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-10 21:04:23 UTC
From: Don Greenbaum
Topic: 21070 Message: 21071
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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Thanks,

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-10 21:09:31 UTC
From: Alan Leith
Topic: 21070 Message: 21072

No need to get your drawers in a knot, Don. I'm not asking for any comments. I just wanted readers to know there are dolts like this guy slithering beneath.

73

Al, VE1AL

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Don Greenbaum
Sent: Wednesday, April 10, 2013 6:04 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com; 'Lyuff'
Cc: maritimecc@yahoogroups.com
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21073. Re: [DX-IS] RE: VR2XLN

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-10 21:37:14 UTC
From: Kathy Bookmiller
Topic: 21070 Message: 21073

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-10 21:42:53 UTC
From: VE1AL
Topic: 21070 Message: 21074

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Al, VE1AL

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Sent: Wednesday, April 10, 2013 6:37 PM
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21075. Re: [DX-IS] RE: VR2XLN

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-10 23:21:14 UTC
From: Kathy Bookmiller
Topic: 21070 Message: 21075

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-10 23:27:40 UTC
From: VE1AL
Topic: 21070 Message: 21076

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21077. RE: [DX-IS] RE: VR2XLN

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-10 23:52:28 UTC
From: KQ8M
Topic: 21070 Message: 21077

Actually, Kathy may want to consider a non Yahoo account since they have a huge problem with being hacked!

73,

Tim Herrick, KQ8M

Charter Member North Coast Contesters

kq8m@...

AR-Cluster V6 kq8m.no-ip.org

User Ports: 23, 7373 with local skimmer, 7374 without local skimmer

Server Ports: V6 3607, V4 Active 3605, V4 Passive 3606

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21078. RE: [DX-IS] DX use of SKIMMER

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-11 05:55:53 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 21040 Message: 21078

Hi Tim,

Well this was the next issue I was going to raise and you beat me to it.
Yes, we would need notice.
I am happy to just sit on one freq. and keep calling but only if I know I am not wasting my time…. ☺
Could DX come this this?
Interesting days and I think this would be a can of worms opening up if we go down that path.….

I can just hear someone complaining about them not being able to work a DXpedition on CW and then someone replying….”didn’t you know they were a skimmer DXpedtion” o’boy….

73, Lance – VK6DU

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of KQ8M
Sent: Wednesday, 10 April 2013 3:59 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] DX use of SKIMMER

The only drawback I can see on DXpeditions using skimmer and gathering a list of calls is, I for one, listen in the pileup for where they have worked the previous call and learn the pattern. So if they then have me like third on t he list, I am no longer on the same frequency. Bang I lose the Q unless they have the smarts to check the skimmer and see if they can see me answering.

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Sent: Tuesday, April 09, 2013 5:44 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com<mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] DX use of SKIMMER

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> Of *Pete Smith N4ZR
> *Sent:* Sunday, 7 April 2013 11:01 PM
> *To:* DX-IS@yahoogroups.com<mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>
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21079. RE: [DX-IS] W3LPL spots GONE!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-11 06:01:56 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 20985 Message: 21079

Hi Al,

Sounds like you are going through the same frustrations that I have with the Caribbean.... Though remarkably a Polish PJ4 was a 10 over S9 this morning on 20m SSB LP, mate was that a surprise!
I guess those SFI numbers do really mean something. 10m opened up to NA the other day and was able to work some of you guys over there on SSB.

VK9 and 5W have been thumping in here as you would expect so I guess there are some perks in being in VK6 :)

I know it's still not the total peak of the cycle but I am losing confidence in 6m ever opening to EU this time around.
I guess we have a couple more equinoxes to go...

Keep at 'em Al,

73, Lance - VK6DU

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of VE1AL
Sent: Tuesday, 9 April 2013 9:58 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] W3LPL spots GONE!

Well, Lance, I am absolutely delighted to have finally discovered how to eliminate the W3LPL spots. Like so many of us in North America whose antenna systems don't hold a proverbial candle to his, seeing all those juicy spots and not being able to hear 98% of them was always very frustrating.

Paul, of course, does not agree. But then again, I heard him work a DU2 just a few minutes ago on 15M and I didn't have a chance. I also worked VR2XLN after making a pain-in-the-butt of myself but I did get through. I also got an anonymous e-mail telling me I am a terrible operator. Yeah, right! I wasn't doing anything that everyone else wasn't doing. I hate it, buty to survive you've got to do what you have to do.

There are many who agree with me about W3LPL from this side of the world but if you find the spots helpful, have at 'er. If it works, use it!!!

I've managed VK9CZ on 15 & 17 but my "QSO" on 12M yesterday did not show up in the log so I'll be back at that today. There's a spot for them on 10M SSB right now but I have a huge noise (birdie?) on that QRG. But as long as they're there I will try to get them into the log on a few more bands.

Good luck with that KP2, of course, and 73,

Al, VE1AL

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com<mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com> [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com]
On Behalf Of Lance Martin
Sent: Tuesday, April 09, 2013 2:20 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com<mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] W3LPL spots GONE!
Hi Paul/Al,

Well on the other side of things, W3LPL has been helping me out, spotting these rare ones early so that I can pounce and get in before the pile.
I haven't been able to get into the KP2 log yet for the current time but it's not from a lack of trying.

Have you noticed we've had some good south pole openings of recent times but I have proved on a couple of occasions now that just because I can hear a rare (and I mean rare for me) Caribbean station loud over the south pole, it doesn't mean he is automatically going to hear me... :(

Beaming south, (and sometime north :))
73, Lance - VK6DU

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com<mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com> [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com]
On Behalf Of Paul M Dunphy
Sent: Wednesday, 3 April 2013 7:33 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com<mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] W3LPL spots GONE!

On 4/2/2013 8:25 PM, Phil & Anne Irons wrote:
> On 2013-04-02 16:03, Paul M Dunphy wrote:
>> On 4/2/2013 3:06 PM, VE1AL wrote:
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>> > I am pleased to finally announce that, with the hands-on help of VE1BVD,
>> > my problem with W3LPL has been taken care of. VE7CC Cluster is now
>> > downloaded, the filters have been set to exclude both W3LPL and other MD
>> > spots (just in case) and I have been monitoring VE7CC through my DXbase
>> > cluster connection for more than an hour without a single W3LPL spot.
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>> > I am very, very happy and want to thank all of you who helped me get to
>> > this point of euphoria!!! *:-)*
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>> > 73
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>> > Al, VE1AL
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>> Try to imagine how pleased the rest of us are now that we won't
>> hear any more complaints about it! :-)
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>> 73, Paul VE1DX
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> You think you have problems! He's only 800 feet away from me, and I can hear
> him moaning in my shack with phones on!
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> 73,
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You can get noise cancelling headphones that eliminate that sort of thing. I have a pair I use for flying. It reduces jet roar, babies crying, etc. immensely.

Google "noise cancelling headphones" . . . it may be your solution. :-)

73, Paul VE1DX

21080. Re: [DX-IS] DX use of SKIMMER

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-11 13:15:29 UTC
From: GARY HUBER
Topic: 21040 Message: 21080

As one who uses both CWSkimmer and a FLEX-1500 in panadapter mode to to watch a 10 kHz slice of a pile-up for the 5NN patterns, I can tell you it does not matter if you QSY after sending your call. If you send VK6DU VK6DU and move the P5DX sends KQ8M 5NN, K3KO 5NN, AB9M 5NN, VK6DU 5NN, QRZ 5 UP. You are already in the log, but if yo send P5DX TU 5NN VK6DU, the P5DX skimmer will display " VK6DU 5NN" . There are several things that do show alongside callsigns including QRL, QSL, CQ, 5NN, 599 so it would be possible for a DXpedition operator to work a pile-up with-out hearing the pile-up. Or with the right configuration the DX operator could work you simplex on YOUR frequency.

CWSkimmer is just another tool. It can be used, misused or abused. If you are QRP, low power, antenna restricted or antenna limited it can help you make smarter decisions about where to be in the pile-up.

My configuration of CWSkimmer is shown with drawings and screen shots at http://www.dxlabsuite.com/dxlabwiki/DDUtilPowerSDRN1MMSkimmerCommander .

73 ES DX,
Gary -- AB9M

From: Lance Martin
Sent: Thursday, April 11, 2013 12:55 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] DX use of SKIMMER

Hi Tim,

Well this was the next issue I was going to raise and you beat me to it.

Yes, we would need notice.

I am happy to just sit on one freq. and keep calling but only if I know I am not wasting my time…. J

Could DX come this this?

Interesting days and I think this would be a can of worms opening up if we go down that path..…

I can just hear someone complaining about them not being able to work a DXpedition on CW and then someone replying…."didn't you know they were a skimmer DXpedtion" o'boy….

73, Lance – VK6DU

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of KQ8M
Sent: Wednesday, 10 April 2013 3:59 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] DX use of SKIMMER

The only drawback I can see on DXpeditions using skimmer and gathering a list of calls is, I for one, listen in the pileup for where they have worked the previous call and learn the pattern. So if they then have me like third on t he list, I am no longer on the same frequency. Bang I lose the Q unless they have the smarts to check the skimmer and see if they can see me answering.

73,

Tim Herrick, KQ8M

Charter Member North Coast Contesters

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AR-Cluster V6 kq8m.no-ip.org

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21081. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-11 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21081

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:Issued: 2013 Apr 11 1242 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30411
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 11 Apr 2013, 1227UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 11 Apr 2013 until 13 Apr 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Active (M-class flares expected, probability >= 50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Severe geomagnetic storm expected (A>=100 or K>=7)
SOLAR PROTONS : Proton event in progress (>10 MeV)
PREDICTIONS FOR 11 Apr 2013 10CM FLUX: 150 / AP: 009
PREDICTIONS FOR 12 Apr 2013 10CM FLUX: 147 / AP: 009
PREDICTIONS FOR 13 Apr 2013 10CM FLUX: 145 / AP: 080
COMMENT: Seven sunspot groups are reported by Catania today. Catania
sunspot groups 40 and 43 (NOAA ARs 1718 and 1719 respectively) maintain
beta-gamma configuration of the photospheric magnetic field. C-class and
M-class flares are likely to erupt from at least one of these active
regions, with a small chance for an X-class flare (especially from
Catania sunspot group 43, NOAA AR 1719). An M6.5 flare peaking at 07:16
UT was detected today in the Catania sunspot group 43 (NOAA AR 1719),
accompanied by a metric type II burst observed by Humain starting from
around 07:02 UT. SDO/AIA data demonstrate that this flare was also
accompanied by coronal dimmings, an EIT wave, and a post-eruption
arcade, indicating the eruption of a CME. A full halo CME was first
detected in the SOHO/LASCO C2 field of view at 07:24 UT. The CME
plane-of-the-sky linear speed was around 930 km/s (the second-order fit
showed deceleration from around 1160 km/s to 800 km/s as the CME
progressed through the C2 and C3 fields of view). The corresponding
interplanetary disturbance is expected to arrive at the Earth in the
morning of April 13. Due to the position of the CME source region
(Catania sunspot group 43, NOAA AR 1719) close to the solar disk center
(around N09E12), the arrival of the magnetic cloud is possible, even if
the CME presented a strong asymmetry of the material distribution
towards the east. If present, the magnetic cloud will most probably have
left-handed chirality, with WSE or NWS magnetic field orientations. The
occurrence of a strong geomagnetic storm (K index around 7) will be
probable. The proton flux at energies above 10 MeV crossed the SEP event
threshold around 10:00 UT and is still rising at the time of writing.
The Earth is currently inside a slow (around 420 km/s) solar wind flow
with slightly elevated (5-6 nT) interplanetary magnetic field magnitude.
We expect quiet geomagnetic conditions in the coming hours.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 079, BASED ON 08 STATIONS.
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SOLAR INDICES FOR 10 Apr 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 148
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 010
AK WINGST : 006
ESTIMATED AP : 005
ESTIMATED ISN : 099, BASED ON 11 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
11 0655 0716 0729 N09E12 M6.5 3B 470 VI/1,II/1 43 1719
END

21082. VE1AL - SK

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-11 20:13:43 UTC
From: Phil & Anne Irons
Topic: 21082 Message: 21082

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73, Al. Sorry about the P5

Phil/VE1BVD

21083. Re: [DX-IS] VE1AL - SK

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-11 20:19:31 UTC
From: John
Topic: 21082 Message: 21083

Wow, that is shocking and sad news. RIP Al, get the P5 in the afterlife

John AF5CC

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21084. Re: [DX-IS] VE1AL - SK

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-11 20:23:25 UTC
From: Richard F DiDonna NN3W
Topic: 21082 Message: 21084

I am seriously hoping that this is not related to the email exchange
that took place yesterday......

73 Rich NN3W

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21085. Re: [DX-IS] VE1AL - SK

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-11 20:45:52 UTC
From: Art @ Linda
Topic: 21082 Message: 21085

Wow, this is truly a shocker. RIP old friend

Art-N2AU

----- Original Message -----
From: "Phil & Anne Irons" <irons@...>
To: <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Cc: <maritmecc@yahoogroups.com>
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21086. Re: [DX-IS] VE1AL - SK

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-11 20:48:19 UTC
From: Roberto Rey
Topic: 21082 Message: 21086

What a shame, it's sad to see a good man leave.. RIP my friend..

73 de HK3CW Rob
----- Original Message -----
From: Phil & Anne Irons
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21087. Re: [DX-IS] VE1AL - SK

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-11 21:01:45 UTC
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy (K5MWH)
Topic: 21082 Message: 21087

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What a tremendous shock. Very sad. I exchanged off list e-mails with
him this week about the skimmer issue.

Mike, W5UC

21088. RE: [DX-IS] VE1AL - SK

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-11 21:03:00 UTC
From: KQ8M
Topic: 21082 Message: 21088

Oh My. Please extend our most sincere condolences to the family. He will be sorely missed.

73,

Tim Herrick, KQ8M

Charter Member North Coast Contesters

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21089. Re: [DX-IS] RE: VR2XLN

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-11 21:26:19 UTC
From: Kathy Bookmiller
Topic: 21070 Message: 21089

I first me Al probably 30-40 years ago when I used to journey up to Toronto for the DX club meetings there and could work him direct on 2 meter simplex when we were doing 'spots' that way.
73 old friend,
Kathy

From: VE1AL <ve1al@...>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, April 10, 2013 7:27 PM
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] RE: VR2XLN

Sounds as if the previous holder of W2NK had a Yahoo account.
Have you tried any variations on Yahoo: Kathy.W2NK@yahoo.com or W2NK.Kathy@...? Perhaps something like that might work for you.

Good luck, 73

Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
[mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Kathy
Bookmiller
Sent: Wednesday, April 10, 2013 8:21 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] RE:
VR2XLN

I
tried Al, but yahoo said it was taken. Do have w2nk@... working.
73,
Kathy

From: VE1AL <ve1al@...>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, April 10, 2013 5:42
PM
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] RE:
VR2XLN

Will surely do, Kathy! Hey, why haven't you
incorporated your wonderful new call into your e-mail
address?

73

Al, VE1AL

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
[mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Kathy
Bookmiller
Sent: Wednesday, April 10, 2013 6:37 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] RE:
VR2XLN

Please
let me know when it's posted on Youtube Al...

From: VE1AL
<ve1al@...>
To: 'Lyuff' <lyuff01@...>
Cc: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com;
maritimecc@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, April 10, 2013 4:42
PM
Subject: [DX-IS] RE:
VR2XLN

For those reading this, do so from the bottom up. This is a
good example of what DXing has become. Here's a cop, a philosopher, a
pundit and a jerk, all rolled up in one.

Al, VE1AL

I'm too much of a gentleman to tell you what I'm thinking. Oh,
I had a very nice e-mail from VR2XLN thanking me for the QSO. Put that in
your corncob and smoke it.

From: Lyuff [mailto:lyuff01@gmail.com]
Sent: Wednesday, April 10, 2013 5:33 PM
To: VE1AL
Subject: Re: VR2XLN

Don't worry, this letter will be posted along with the video, to
show your justification for being a lousy operator.

It doesn't matter if you are running a KW, 100 watts, or 1 watt, your
operating is piss poor and the only reason you got through is because he was fed
up with your constant calling. You are a poor excuse for an operator and
soon everyone else will know that too.

On Tue, Apr 9, 2013 at 9:20 AM, VE1AL <VE1AL@eastlink.ca> wrote:

>I see. You hide behind anonymity and chastize me for what every other asshole was doing. I am on the east coast of Canada, run 100W and I have a chance against all those QRO stations on the east coast?
>
>My calling through those idiots who started calling before a QSO was finished finally got me a QSO, my 1st on any other band but 20M, ever. I praise Clive for his patience with all the dolts out there, apparently including me. If you had stayed around you would have heard that he took specific pain to get me into his log.
>
>So take your self-righteous butt and fade into the ether.
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>_____
> From: Lyuff [mailto:lyuff01@...]
>Sent: Tuesday, April 09, 2013 10:13 AM
>To: VE1AL@...
>Subject: VR2XLN
>
>
>Please watch for a video to be posted soon on YouTube that showcases how so-called Honor Roll DX'ers do not follow the DX Code of Conduct.
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>
>Your example of constant calling when the DX was requesting a specific callsign (not your's) was textbook. Your peers and the rest of the DXing community will be aware of just how you operate. Congratulations!
>
>
>Thanks!

21090. Fwd: VE1AL - SK

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-11 22:01:24 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 21082 Message: 21090

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73, Paul VE1DX

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Subject: VE1AL - SK
Date: Thu, 11 Apr 2013 17:13:43 -0300
From: Phil & Anne Irons <irons@...>

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had come home from work and found that he'd passed away, apparently from a heart
attack.

No further details at this time, but as they become available, I will post them
here.

73, Al. Sorry about the P5

Phil/VE1BVD

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21091. ARLD015 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-11 22:18:13 UTC
From: jjreisert@...
Topic: 3354 Message: 21091

SB DX @ ARL $ARLD015
ARLD015 DX news

ZCZC AE15
QST de W1AW
DX Bulletin 15 ARLD015
>From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT April 11, 2013
To all radio amateurs

SB DX ARL ARLD015
ARLD015 DX news

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by K7LA, NC1L, The Weekly DX, the OPDX Bulletin, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, DXNL, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

FIJI, 3D2. Wes, ZL3TE is QRV as 3D2SE from Viti Levu Island, IOTA OC-016, until April 16. Activity is on the HF bands using mainly CW and some digital modes. This includes an entry in the Japan International DX contest. QSL to home call.

GHANA, 9G. Eltje, PA3CEE and Rene, PE1L are QRV as 9G5EME until April 24. This is an EME operation. QSL via PA3CEE.

WEST MALAYSIA, 9M2. Members of the Segamat DXers are QRV as 9M4CMN from Tioman Island, IOTA AS-046, until April 14. Activity is on the HF bands using SSB. QSL via operators' instructions.

MOZAMBIQUE, C9. Reinhard, DL6DQW is now QRV as C98RF from the Inhambane island group, IOTA AS-072. Activity of late has been on 12 meters from 1600 to 1700z. QSL to home call.

PORTUGAL, CT. Special event station CR5IARU will be QRV from April 13 to 19 in celebration of World Day of Amateur Radio on April 18. QSL via CT1REP.

PHILIPPINES, DU. Dindo, DV1UD will be QRV as DX8DX from the Turtle Islands, IOTA OC-225, from April 13 to 15. Activity will be in his spare time on 80 to 10 meters using CW and some SSB. QSL via M0OXO.

LIECHTENSTEIN, HB0. Look for operators PA2HGJ, PA2HW, PA2RDK, PA3CNO, PA3DFR, PA3HK and PE1FLO to be QRV as HB0/home calls from April 13 to 20. Activity will be on 160 to 10 meters using CW, SSB and PSK31. This includes some SOTA locations to be activated as well. QSL via PE1FLO.

ITALY, I. Members of the Radio Club Vercelli are QRV as II1MGY in commemoration of the sinking of the RMS Titanic. QSL via bureau.

NETHERLANDS, PA. Special event stations PA13KING and PB13ROYAL are QRV until April 30 during the transition of the monarchy from Queen Beatrix to Prince Willem-Alexander. QSL via PA9JO and PB5X, respectively.

EGYPT, SU. Andy, RW3AH is now QRV as SU9AF near Cairo. He is active on 160, 40, 20, 17, 15, 12 and 10 meters using CW and SSB. The length of his stay is unknown. QSL via UA3DX.

GREECE, SV. Special event station J49C is QRV until June 30 in celebration of the centennial of Crete and Greece's union. QSL via SV9COL. In addition, special event station SV2013ATGM is QRV until April 21 in celebration of the 8th International Alexander The Great Marathon. QSL via SZ2TSL.

COSTA RICA, TI. Special event call TE1856 is QRV in commemoration of the marching feat on the part of the Costa Rican army, known as La Ruta de los Heroes. Activity is on 80 to 10 meters using CW, SSB and PSK. QSL via operators' instructions.

MICRONESIA, V6. Sho, JA7HMZ and Kei, JA7GYP will be QRV as V63DX and V63T, respectively, from Pohnpei Island, IOTA OC-010, from April 15 to 20. Activity will be on 40 to 6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL direct to home calls.

LORD HOWE ISLAND, VK9L. Oliver, W6NV and Seppo, OH1VR are QRV as VK9LT and VK9/OH1VR, respectively, until April 16. Activity is on the HF bands. This may include entries in the Japan International DX CW and Yuri Gagarin DX contests. QSL direct to home calls.

TOKELAU ISLANDS, ZK3. Hans, DL6JGN and Guenter, DL2AWG will be QRV as ZK3N from Nukunonu-Atoll, IOTA OC-048, from April 15 to 30. Activity will be on 80 to 6 meters using CW, SSB and various digital modes. QSL via DL2AWG.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The Japan International DX CW Contest, SKCC Weekend CW Sprintathon, NCCC RTTY Sprint, NCCC Sprint CW Ladder, Montana QSO Party, New Mexico QSO Party, EU Spring CW Sprint, Georgia QSO Party, Yuri Gagarin International DX CW Contest, International Vintage HF Contest and the Hungarian Straight Key CW Contest will keep contesters busy this weekend. The NAQCC-EU Monthly CW Sprint is scheduled for April 15. The 222 MHz Spring Sprint is scheduled for April 16. Please see April QST, page 84, and the ARRL and WA7BNM Contest websites for details.
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/EX

21092. Re: [DX-IS] Fwd: VE1AL - SK

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-11 22:20:29 UTC
From: Frank T Brady
Topic: 21082 Message: 21092

Terrible shock - I will sure miss you Al
Hope you copy
73, Frank w0ecs

On 4/11/2013 6:01 PM, Paul M Dunphy wrote:
>
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> many, etc. He will be sorely missed by all.
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> 73, Paul VE1DX
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> Subject: VE1AL - SK
> Date: Thu, 11 Apr 2013 17:13:43 -0300
> From: Phil & Anne Irons <irons@... <mailto:irons%40eastlink.ca>>
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> had come home from work and found that he'd passed away, apparently from
> a heart
> attack.
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> No further details at this time, but as they become available, I will
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> here.
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> 73, Al. Sorry about the P5
>
> Phil/VE1BVD
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21093. Re: [DX-IS] VE1AL - SK

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-11 22:30:24 UTC
From: GARY HUBER
Topic: 21082 Message: 21093

RIP Al. We didn’t always agree, but we had some great exchanges including my working P5/4L4FN twice in the same afternoon: once as N1SF (I’m still trustee of the club license) and with my own call AB9M. That one was a two-fer.

Please pass along my condolences as well. Al – VE1AL will be missed by many.

Best regards,

CSM(r) Gary L Huber – AB9M
9679 Heron Bay Road
Bloomington, IL 61705

WWW.CSM-GH.COM
glhuber@...
309-662-0604

From: Phil & Anne Irons
Sent: Thursday, April 11, 2013 3:13 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Cc: maritmecc@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] VE1AL - SK

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Phil/VE1BVD

21094. Re: [DX-IS] VE1AL - SK

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-11 22:53:47 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 21082 Message: 21094

A very sad day. Al was one of the most active people on this list.

73 OM & R.I.P.

Zack W9SZ

On 4/11/13, Phil & Anne Irons <irons@...> wrote:
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> Phil/VE1BVD
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21095. Re: [DX-IS] VE1AL - SK

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-12 00:34:13 UTC
From: Win Rogers
Topic: 21082 Message: 21095

Very sad indeed.

Win / W0LZ

21096. RE: [DX-IS] Fwd: VE1AL - SK

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-12 01:04:12 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 21082 Message: 21096

I am stunned, sitting here at work receiving this news.

I will miss Al, even though I never met him or managed to worked him.

Farewell mate from Down Under de VK6DU

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@...m] On Behalf Of Paul M Dunphy
Sent: Friday, 12 April 2013 6:01 AM
To: DX IS!
Subject: [DX-IS] Fwd: VE1AL - SK

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was a true, blue DXer. While he may never have worked a P5, he did
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73, Al. Sorry about the P5

Phil/VE1BVD

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21097. RE: [DX-IS] VE1AL - SK

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-12 01:52:43 UTC
From: Ron Notarius W3WN
Topic: 21082 Message: 21097

Oh, crap.

Very sad news.

If anyone hears of any place to send condolences to the family, please let us know.

73 & RIP OM.

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Phil & Anne Irons
Sent: Thursday, April 11, 2013 4:14 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Cc: maritmecc@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] VE1AL - SK

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73, Al. Sorry about the P5

Phil/VE1BVD

21098. Re: VE1AL - SK

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-12 04:55:36 UTC
From: ve7tk
Topic: 21082 Message: 21098

Very sad news Phil. Please pass along my condolences to his family.

73 Al.

Rick
VE7TK

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>
> Phil/VE1BVD
>

21099. Re: Fwd: VE1AL - SK

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-12 06:47:39 UTC
From: Lee ZL2AL
Topic: 21082 Message: 21099

Very sad news. I will miss his posts. RIP Al

73, Leith Jennings. ZL2AL

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21100. Re: [DX-IS] VE1AL - SK

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-12 09:26:55 UTC
From: Pete Smith N4ZR
Topic: 21082 Message: 21100

Oh my.....

73, Pete N4ZR
Check out the Reverse Beacon Network at
http://reversebeacon.net,
blog at reversebeacon.blogspot.com.
For spots, please go to your favorite
ARC V6 or VE7CC DX cluster node.

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21101. Re: VE1AL - SK

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-12 12:33:59 UTC
From: Ward Silver
Topic: 21082 Message: 21101

A message with Al's byline was one that I would almost instinctively read. He had a very high signal-to-noise ratio and will be sorely missed - very sad news.

73, Ward N0AX

21102. VK6HD - SK

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-12 12:37:01 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 21102 Message: 21102

Sad news to hear the passing of Mike, VK6HD today.

Mike will be sorely missed on the bands worldwide.

A gentleman through and through.

RIP Mike, TU ..

21103. Re: [DX-IS] VK6HD - SK

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-12 13:01:46 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 21102 Message: 21103

On 4/12/2013 9:37 AM, Lance Martin wrote:
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> RIP Mike, TU ..
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Very sorry to hear that, Lance. Mike was my first VK on top band.
We worked occasionally on 80 as well, and on both bands it was his
antenna system(s) that did all the work.

That is 2 icons in such a short time. While they were
geographically at antipodal points on the globe, they were eerily
similar in their dedication to Ham radio and DXing. The hobby has lost
two gentlemen.

73, Paul VE1DX

21104. Re: [DX-IS] VK6HD - SK

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-12 13:04:20 UTC
From: Rob Norcross
Topic: 21102 Message: 21104

a real gent, have known him for many years,, a low band master .. 73 mate .. rob VK6HG
Sent from my iPad

On 12/04/2013, at 8:37 PM, Lance Martin <L.Martin@...> wrote:

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21105. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-12 14:01:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21105

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:Issued: 2013 Apr 12 1253 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30412
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 12 Apr 2013, 1235UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 12 Apr 2013 until 14 Apr 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Major flares expected (X-class flares expected, probability >= 50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Severe geomagnetic storm expected (A>=100 or K>=7)
SOLAR PROTONS : Proton event in progress (>10 MeV)
PREDICTIONS FOR 12 Apr 2013 10CM FLUX: 140 / AP: 009
PREDICTIONS FOR 13 Apr 2013 10CM FLUX: 143 / AP: 076
PREDICTIONS FOR 14 Apr 2013 10CM FLUX: 146 / AP: 022
COMMENT: Catania sunspot groups 40 and 45 (NOAA ARs 1718 and 1721) have
beta-gamma configuration of the photospheric magnetic field and might
produce flaring activity up to M-level. Catania sunspot group 43 (NOAA
AR 1719) is growing and has developed beta-gamma-delta configuration of
its photospheric magnetic field. Due to this rapid increase in the
number of spots and magnetic complexity, we expect further significant
flaring activity (probably up to X-level) from this active region, with
a possibility of another Earth-directed CME and an SEP event. The
current SEP event associated with the full halo CME of April 11 is still
ongoing, although the proton flux is decreasing. We expect a slight and
temporary increase of the proton flux at the arrival of the
interplanetary shock associated with the halo CME of April 11. The Earth
is currently inside a solar wind flow with an intermediate speed (around
450 km/s) and average (around 5 nT) interplanetary magnetic field
magnitude. We therefore expect quiet geomagnetic conditions until the
arrival (most probably tomorrow morning) of the interplanetary
disturbance (probably a shock and a magnetic cloud) associated with the
full halo CME of April 11. The occurrence of a strong geomagnetic storm
(K index around 7) will be probable.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 075, BASED ON 09 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 11 Apr 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 120
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 137
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 008
AK WINGST : 005
ESTIMATED AP : 004
ESTIMATED ISN : 086, BASED ON 17 STATIONS.
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NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
END

21106. 425 DX News - #1145

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-12 16:50:40 UTC
From: r_brothers
Topic: 21106 Message: 21106

13 April 2013 A.R.I. DX Bulletin
No 1145
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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** DX INFORMATION ****
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Edited by I1JQJ & IK1ADH
Direttore Responsabile I2VGW

5H - Bodo, DF8DX will be active from Tanzania on 20-28 April. His tentative itinerary is as follows:
20 April 5H1DX/3 Dar Es Salaam
21 April 5H1DX/3 Bongoyo Island (AF-075), from 9 to 19 UTC
22-26 April 5H1DX Pemba Island (AF-063)
26-28 April 5H1DX Zanzibar (AF-032)
He will operate mainly CW on the IOTA frequencies, with 100 watts and vertical antennas. QSL via DF8DX and LoTW.
5Z & 6O- Roger, LA4GHA is now active from Kenya (5Z4/LA4GHA) and Somalia (6O0LA) while on a work assignment for the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime. He is QRV on 160-6 metres CW, SSB and digital modes until December 2014. QSL via LA4GHA. [TNX LA4GHA]
6W - Luc, F5RAV will be active again as 6V7T from Senegal from 26 April to 5 May. He will operate SSB and PSK and will participate in the Helvetia Contest (27-28 April). QSL via home call, direct only. [TNX F8REF]
9A - Look for Pista 9A/HA5AUC, Ed 9A/HA5BWW and Karl 9A/HA7PC to be active from Rab Island (EU-136) on 21-27 April. They will operate mainly CW on the HF bands and 6 metres. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. [TNX HA0HW]
A3 - Masa, JA0RQV will be active as A35JP from Tongatapu (OC-049), Tonga on 5-22 May. He will be QRV on 80-10 metres CW and SSB in his spare time, typically during his evening-night hours, with 100 watss and a GP. QSL via home call, direct or bureau, and LoTW. [TNX JA0RQV]
CT9 - Costantino, IW2NXD and Antonio, IK2ZJR will be active holiday style as CT9/IW2NXD and CT9/IK2ZJR from Madeira (AF-014) on 12-20 May. They will operate SSB, CW and PSK31. QSL via home calls, bureau preferred. [TNX IK2XDE]
DU - Dindo, DV1UD was active as DX8DX from Bongao, Tawi Tawi group (OC-174) on 9-11 April. The operation from the Turtle Islands (OC-225) is now scheduled for 12/13-15 April. QSL via M0OXO (OQRS for direct and bureau cards at www.m0oxo.com)
F - TM114M will be active during the International Marconi Day's weekend to celebrate the 144th anniversary of the first wireless transmissions across the Channel (27 March 1899). QSL via F5JYD,

direct or bureau. [TNX F5JYD]
FT5Z - FT5ZM is the callsign issued to the Amsterdam Island DXpedition planned for January-February 2014 [425DXN 1144]. The website is now up and running at www.amsterdamdx.org
GJ - Peter ON8ZZ, Frederik ON8ZL and Frank ON5NQ will be active as MJ/OT9Z from Jersey (EU-013) on 2-9 August. They will operate SSB, CW and digital modes on the HF bands and 6 metres. QSL via ON8ZL, direct or bureau, and LoTW. Further information can be found at www.dxpeditionchannelislands.weebly.com [TNX ON8ZL
JA - Toku, JA6TNY will be active as JA6TNY/0 from Awa Island (AS-117) from around 7 UTC on 20 April until around 3 UTC on the 21st. He will operate CW and SSB on 160-10 metres, with planned main activity on 20m. [TNX JN6RZM]
KH0 - Yutaka, JQ2GYU and his wife Miho, JJ2VLY will be active as NH0J from Tinian (OC-086) between 27 April and 1 May. They plan to operate CW, SSB amd RTTY on 80-10 metres. QSL via JJ2VLY, direct or bureau. [TNX NG3K]
PA - Wim, PA0WRS will be active as PA0WRS/p from Ameland Island (EU-038) on 19-26 April. QSL via home call, direct and bureau. [TNX rsgbiota.org]
PA - Bob, PA5V will be active as PA6IMD on 19-22 April for the International Marconi Day, and as PA75FOC on 4-31 May to celebrate the 75th anniversary of FOC (www.g4foc.org) [425DXN 1143]. [TNX F8REF]
SU - Sparky, RW3AH is now active as SU9AF from Egypt. His license in valid until 31 December, and is allowed to operate on 160, 40, 20, 17, 15, 12 and 10 metres (80, 30 and 6 metres are not permitted). He runs 100 watts into a delta loop for 20 and 10m, and a vertical for the other bands (no antenna yet for 160m). QSL via UA3DX. Further information and logserach at http://www.cqdx.ru/su9af/
SV - Francois, ON4LO will be active as SV3/ON4LO/p from the Peloponnese from 15 April to 30 May. He plans to operate SSB on 40-6 metres, with activity from various lighthouses. QSL via home call. [TNX ON4LO]
SV - Five members of the Sands Contest Group (namely Ian G0VGS, Barrie G1JYB, Stephany G1LAT, Bob G1OCK and Hughie G4UME) will operate as SZ8S from the Aegean Radio Association's Radio House at Zervou Point on Samos Island (EU-049) between 16 and 30 May. QSL for this operation via G1LAT (direct) or M0SCG (bureau), plus eQSL. [TNX SV8CYV]
UA - RA9LR, UA9LAC, UA9LEW, UA9LP, UA9LT, UB9LAG and UB9LBS will be active as RT9L/8 from Nature Park "Bazhovskiye mesta" on 17-21 April. They will operate CW, SSB and digital modes on 80-10 metres. QSL via UA9LP (email requests for bureau cards can be sent to ua9lp[@]mail.ru). [TNX UA9LP]
UA - A large number of callsigns with R27, RA27, RT27 and RU27 special prefixes will be active between 18 April and 17 July to celebrate the XXVII Summer Universiade (the World University Games organized by the International University Sports Federation) to be held in Kazan, Russia on 6-17 July.

V6 - Look for JA7HMZ (V63DX) and JA7GYP (V63T) to be active from Pohnpei (OC-010), Micronesia on 15-20 April. QSL via home calls. They plan to operate CW, SSB and RTTY on 40-6 metres. [TNX NG3K]
W - Once again Joe, K5KUA will be active as K5KUA/5 from Galveston Island (NA-143) on 26-28 April. He usually operates CW only on 40-10 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX rsgbiota.org]
XE - Celebrating World Amateur Radio Day and IARU's 88th anniversary (18 April), the DXXE Group (www.dxxe.org) will be active on 160-6 metres and satellites as 4A8DMR on 18-21 April. QSL via N7RO and LoTW.
XW - A multi-national multi-operator DXpedition to Vientiane, Laos, is being planned for 6-16 September. Team members 9M6DXX, 9V1YC, EA2TA, EA3NT, EA5KA, F4BKV, G3XTT and MM0NDX plan to operate five stations from 160m to 6m on CW, SSB and RTTY. A website is being produced and will be available soon. The callsign and further details will be announced later. [TNX 9M6DXX]
YB - Adhi, YB3MM and Teti, YB2TET expect be active holiday style as YB3MM/2 and YB2TET/p from Karimunjawa (OC-186) on 13-16 April. They plan to be QRV on 15 metres SSB between 10 and 23 UTC. QSL via IZ8CCW.
YN - Eric, K9GY will shut down his T6MO station on 28 April and then leave Afghanistan. On 22-28 May he will operate as YN2GY from Nicaragua, including a SOAB Low Power entry in the CQ WW WPX CW Contest. Outside the contest he will concentrate on 30, 17, 12 and hopefully 6 metres CW. QSL via home call, direct or bureau, and LoTW. [TNX OPDX Bulletin]
ZS8 - On 10 April Carson, ZR6CWI (ZS8C) and David, ZS1BCE (ZS8Z) [425DXN 1140] left Cape Town for Marion Island (AF-021). They expect to be QRV around mid-May, after the current overwintering team heads back home. They will be QRV in their spare time, with activity on SSB and digital modes using "the commercial broadband HF antenna at the base". QSL for both via ZS1HF. More information can be found on their respective qrz.com sites. Pierre, ZS1HF also reports that "Carson's girlfriend, Nadia, and the team's diesel mechanic, Marius" will take their Radio Amateur's Examination (RAE) while on the island, so "there will eventually be four active hams on Marion Island during the next year".

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** GOOD TO KNOW ... ****
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CQ MM DX CONTEST ---> The third edition of the CQ Manchester Mineira DX Contest, sponsored by the the Juiz de Fora CW Group (www.cwjf.com.br), will be held on 20-21 April. It is a continuation of the Manchester Mineira All America CW Contest, initially limited to Brazil (1993-1996), then expanded to South America (1997-2006), to the Americas (2007-2010) and finally to

the world (2011). It will run from 12 UTC on Saturday through 23.59 on Sunday, on 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 metres CW. Complete details can be found at www.cqmmdx.com [TNX PY4WAS]

NEW IOTA CHECKPOINT ---> With effect from 1 May 2013 Tony Ritchie, G4VMX will be stepping down as checkpoint for Scotland, Wales, Northern Ireland, Channel Islands, Isle of Man and all British SWLs. He will be replaced by Bob Barden, MD0CCE who has agreed to take over responsibility for this checkpoint area. Bob's address is correct on QRZ.com. There will be no other change to UK checkpoints. [TNX G3KMA]

QSL T48K ---> Raul, CO8ZZ reports that DK1WI is no longer the QSL manager for T48K (he still manages all T48K operations from 1999 until last year's CQ WW VHF Contest). The QSL route for contacts made during the CQ WW WPX SSB Contest 2013 is via F5FYO, direct (Hugo O. Gomez, P.O. Box 50033, 33191 La Reole CEDEX, France) or bureau.

TOP LISTS ---> The latest Topband, Topmode and Toplist listings are now available at http://www.425dxn.org/awards/toplist/index.html. QSOs confirmed through LoTW or included in on-line logs are eligible for listing. Send your scores, as well as any request for further information, to Luciano Lucini, IK2QPO (ik2qpo[@]425dxn.org).

+ SILENT KEYS + Hermann Sachse (5Z4RT), passed away on 4 April. "He had been in Kenya for decades", says Ted Alleyne, 5Z4NU, Chairman of the Amateur Radio Society of Kenya, "was a Life Member of ARSK and ran our Sunday morning nets for many years as well as being involved in a medical net based in Germany".
- Nusret Abadzic E73N (ex T93N, YU4BN) passed away on 6 April after a long illness at 82 years of age. For many years he was the IARU liaison officer for ARABiH, Bosnia-Hercegovina's national amateur radio society.
- Alan R. Leith (VE1AL) passed away unexpectedly on 11 April, apparently from a heart attack, at 66 years of age. Over the years Al edited several DX publications, and in 1988-89 he participated in the CY9DXX and CY0DXX DXpeditions to St. Paul and Sable islands. In paying their tribute to "a true gentleman in every sense of the word", the CY9M team says that last year's expedition to St. Paul "would not have happened without Al's help and knowledge".
- Mike Bazley, VK6HD passed away on 12 April. one of Australia's most successful DXers, he was the first station from Oceania to obtain DXCC on 160 metres.

QSLs received direct or through managers: 3D2MF, 3D2PT (OC-121), 4L8A, 4S7NE, 4W0VB, 5N0NH, 5N7YZC, 5X8C, 5Z4/DL1QW, 6Y3M, 7O6T, 8Q7TB, 9U4U, 9X0NH, A63HI (AS-021), BV1EL, CE6WUW, CT9/DL5AXX, CW5X, D2QR, DU9AQQ (OC-235), E51E, E51WL, ED5K (EU-093), ED5RKB (EU-093), EU3DN, EX/UA4WHX, EY8/UA4WHX, EY8MM, FH8PL, FO4BM, GI0BQX, GN4KPT, H40FN, HA30S, HC2/UA4WHX, HD2A, HG1S, HS0ZCW, HS0ZCY, II2POPE, J52HF, JG8NQJ/JD1, JT1CO, JY5MM, KH2/G3ZEM, KL7DX, L22D (SA-022), LX1HD, MI0MVP, OF9X, OH0RJ, OJ0X, OO7P, PJ2T, RA0R, RI0K (AS-061), RI0K/p (AS-092), RI1FJ, RV3EFH/0, S21XV,

S5300TP, T6LG, T88TF, TX0HF, TZ6BB, UK/UA4WHX V25A, V63ZM, VP2V/KE2VB,
VP8ROT, W1AW/KP4, XR0ZA, XT2TT, XV1X, XX9TTR, XX9TYT, YB6N (OC-161), Z60WW,
ZB3R, ZF2DP, ZF2NT, ZL9HR, ZS2I, ZS3D.

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21107. 425 DX Calendar - #1145

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******* CALENDAR *******
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21108. Re: VE1AL - SK

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CY9M 2012 would not have happened without Al's enthusiasm and help. All the team are shocked and saddened at Al's passing.

On behalf of the CY9M team, it was a pleasure to meet Al and spend some time with him.

http://www.cy9m.com/al-leith-ve1al-silent-key/

One final 73, Al.

Col MM0NDX and all the CY9M crew.

21109. ARLP015 Propagation de K7RA

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ARLP015 Propagation de K7RA

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>From Tad Cook, K7RA
Seattle, WA April 12, 2013
To all radio amateurs

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ARLP015 Propagation de K7RA

With sunspot numbers and solar flux up, geomagnetic indices down, and it being Spring time, what could be better for HF propagation? That was the case this week, until Thursday when a magnitude 6.8 X-ray flare and CME erupted, and it seems to be aimed toward Earth. Expect it to arrive on Saturday, April 13.

Average daily sunspot numbers rose this week by nearly 57 points from last week, to 138.1. Average daily solar flux was up more than 25 points to 138.8. The average daily planetary A index dropped by more than half from 9.4 to 4.1.

With solar indices rising, the daily sunspot number reached 162 on April 8 and 163 on April 10, the highest level since January 11 when it was 166.

The latest solar flux prediction from USAF and NOAA sees flux values of 138, 135, and 130 on April 12-14, 125 on April 15-16, 120 on April 17, 115 on April 18-19, 95 on April 20-23, then 100, 105, 110, 115 and 120 on April 24-28, 120 on April 29 through May 1, then rising to a peak of 138 on May 5.

The predicted planetary A index is 5 on April 12, 26 on April 13, 45 on April 14, 8 on April 15, 5 on April 16-22, then 12, 8, 18 and 15 on April 23-26, 5 on April 27 to May 4, and 8 on May 5.

A predicted A index of 45 is a big number. At 2358 UTC on April 11 I received a geomagnetic disturbance warning from the Australian government's Ionospheric Prediction Service: "A full halo earthward directed CME was observed on 11 April with estimated arrival late on 13 April. Geomagnetic activity is expected to rise up to Major storm levels due to the effect of this CME late on 13 April and through most parts of the day 14 April." They predict quiet to major storm on April 13, then major storm down to unsettled conditions on April 14.

The Czech Propagation Interest Group sent a geomagnetic forecast from Petr Kolman, OK1MGW. This appears to be a little early to include the effects of the flare. He predicts active to disturbed conditions April 12, quiet to active April 13, mostly quiet April 14-15, quiet to active April 16-17, quiet to unsettled April 18, quiet to active April 19, quiet to unsettled April 20-22, quiet to active April 23-24, active to disturbed April 25-26, quiet to unsettled April 27-28, and mostly quiet April 29-30.

Jon Jones, N0JK followed up on his comments in last week's Propagation Forecast Bulletin ARLP014 about propagation in the Pacific. He writes, "The distance between Hawaii and Wake Island is around 3,925 km. Or close to the limit of a standard F2 hop, which is about 4,000 km. Thus an optimum F2 path for the lowest possible MUF. Possibly the F2 is off the northern high MUF ridge. Hawaii and Wake Island are both about 20 degrees geomagnetic north. The 6-meter path between Hawaii and Wake Island appears to be reliable and consistent. KH7Y heard the KH9/WA2YUN/b this morning (April 5) from 0500 to after 0720 UTC. The beacon runs 50 watts to a loop antenna."

Bruce Smith, AC4G of Taft, Tennessee (grid EM65pb), several miles north of the Alabama state line, reports: "I was so excited to QSO VK9CZ on 80m CW that I had to write in. Our QSO took place on 3 April around 2345Z when VK9CZ and my location in southern Tennessee were in sunlight at the edge of the terminator. This had to be one of my best QSOs ever due to the level of difficulty, the distance, and no darkness at either location (so my terminator map showed). The VK9CZ signal was S5-S7 on my transmit antenna (vertical). The signal was so strong that my separate receive antenna was not required. Since that date, I have not been able to copy their 80m signal. I guess it was one on my luckiest days to be able to make this QSO."

Sounds like fun! At that day and time, I would expect good propagation on 15 and 17 meters! VK9CZ is the Cocos-Keeling DXpedition, and the path was exactly 10,843 miles, or 17,450 km. Time given of 2345 UTC was 4 minutes after sunrise at the South Pacific end, and 21 minutes prior to sunset on the Tennessee end.

W3HKK sent this account of his participation in a club effort for the CQ World Wide WPX SSB Contest of two weeks ago: "WW8OH and the Cooken ARC Contest Animals had been planning for months to give the WPX contest a shot. The week didn't look promising. SSNs dropping. An indices in the 20s. And warm WX with its high QRN on Fri night in particular were stacked against us.

"DX wasn't that good. 10 was spotty. 15 better but not great. 20-40 were loaded with sigs but nowhere to go.

"WW8OH (400w to a 35 ft high hex beam and a 70 ft high, 600 ft horizontal loop) has been on a quest to score 1000 Qs and 1M points in some contest! ANY contest! So far this year we'd get 600 Qs on Day One, but struggle on Day Two, always falling short, with QSO

totals usually in the mid 800s. We were thinking the WPX could do it for us, thanks to domestic and DX contacts being allowed.

"Friday was a steady slog, all night. Heavy QRN hurt scores on 40-80-160m. Saturday was more of the same, but QRN was easing. Around 9 pm Sat night we moved to 40m and began to work them, 1 at a time, then 2, then 3, then a small pile, then stations 10 deep! We were logging them as fast as we could. AC8GX was at the mic. AC8GI was at the laptop. And I was listening for calls and shouting them out. Poor AC8GI. He was getting one call in his left ear, and another call in his right ear, and had to choose which one to go with. Our rates were building (N3FJP software) into the 40s, 50s, 60s, 80s, 100, 120, 140, and peaking out at 149 Qs per hour per the 20 min adjusted number. We were having a BALL! This went on for FIVE hours, till around 2 am Sunday morning. Loud ones, Weak ones. In between ones. Mostly Stateside sigs. Bless the West coast. They were ALL on the air in droves.

"By the time we broke for sleep Sunday at around 3 am, we had already set club records with 1100 Qs and 1M points. What an amazing run on 40m. Nearly half of our total Qs had come on 40m!

"Sunday at 11am we resumed, focusing on 10-15-20m, but without any runs. By 6 pm we were up to 1300 Qs but our (new) dream of hitting 1500 was dying. At 7pm we decided to see if 40M had another run left in it. 7.240 was quiet, and it began again. A few, then more, then another pile up! We spent the last 55 minutes in ham heaven, with rates over 100/hour, until at 7:55 we heard a carrier, followed by music. A broadcast station ended it for us, and we finished with 1449 Qs and over 1.5M points. COOKEN Club records, from our QTH in Fairfield County, Ohio.

"80M gave us a nice couple of hours on Sat night, as well, despite high QRN. But in order of QSOs, it was 40 by a mile, then 20, 15, 10, 80 and finally 160m.

"It feels GOOD to hear the pile up calling YOU! Guys telling us we owned the frequency, were 40 over. DX worked included a smattering of good ones: Antarctica, VK, ZL, JA, DU, YB, CN2R, a fair number from the NE coast of Brazil, some really OLD guys in G, EI, GM, F, and SM5. Guys I remember working back in the 60s! Still going at it, getting a thrill out of contesting. There is hope for all of us!

"So even when propagation is far from optimum on 10-15-20, don't sell 40 or 80m short. On this weekend, 40 meters was in amazing shape for domestic contacts, and gave us a thrill."

If you would like to make a comment or have a tip for our readers, email the author at, k7ra@....

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service web page at,

http://arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals. For an explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin, see http://arrl.org/the-sun-the-earth-the-ionosphere. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at http://arrl.org/w1aw-bulletins-archive-propagation.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://arrl.org/propagation.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of ARRL bulletins are at http://arrl.org/bulletins.

Sunspot numbers for April 4 through 10 were 119, 146, 117, 144, 162, 116, and 163, with a mean of 138.1. 10.7 cm flux was 128.5, 134.4, 137, 137.8, 139.2, 146.5, and 148, with a mean of 138.8. Estimated planetary A indices were 4, 3, 5, 5, 3, 4, and 5, with a mean of 4.1. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 3, 3, 4, 5, 4, 4, and 5, with a mean of 4.
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21110. RE: [DX-IS] VK6HD - SK

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-12 19:58:36 UTC
From: KQ8M
Topic: 21102 Message: 21110

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shoes.

73,

Tim Herrick, KQ8M

Charter Member North Coast Contesters

kq8m@...

AR-Cluster V6 kq8m.no-ip.org

User Ports: 23, 7373 with local skimmer, 7374 without local skimmer

Server Ports: V6 3607, V4 Active 3605, V4 Passive 3606

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Paul M Dunphy
Sent: Friday, April 12, 2013 9:02 AM
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73, Paul VE1DX

21111. RE: [DX-IS] VK6HD - SK

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-12 20:00:27 UTC
From: KQ8M
Topic: 21102 Message: 21111

Sorry I meant that to be with Al's thread.

73,

Tim Herrick, KQ8M

Charter Member North Coast Contesters

kq8m@...

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of KQ8M
Sent: Friday, April 12, 2013 3:59 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
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21112. Re: [DX-IS] VE1AL - SK

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-13 01:06:58 UTC
From: dale cole
Topic: 21082 Message: 21112

Such bad news to the whole ham community, especially dx chasers. I passed many an email on and off the board with him and he sure had much wisdom to share. As I read through the thread, I find that we also lost Mike VK6HD, whose qsl is on my wall.
My condolences to both families, what a loss to us all.
Dale H. Cole K8TS

From: Phil & Anne Irons <irons@...>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Cc: maritmecc@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thu, April 11, 2013 4:13:41 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] VE1AL - SK

I guess the subject line says it all...

I had a phone call about an hour ago (1900z) from Al's daughter, saying that she

had come home from work and found that he'd passed away, apparently from a heart

attack.

No further details at this time, but as they become available, I will post them here.

73, Al. Sorry about the P5

Phil/VE1BVD

21113. Re: [DX-IS] VK6HD - SK

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-13 13:20:00 UTC
From: Phil & Anne Irons
Topic: 21102 Message: 21113

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Hi Lance...

In the midst of my grief of losing my friend, VE1AL, I can acknowledge the passing of another ham who, although I have never met him, was near and dear to someone's heart. My condolences to the family.

73,

Phil/VE1BVD

21114. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-13 14:01:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21114

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:Issued: 2013 Apr 13 1304 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30413
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 13 Apr 2013, 1248UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 13 Apr 2013 until 15 Apr 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Active (M-class flares expected, probability >= 50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Severe geomagnetic storm expected (A>=100 or K>=7)
SOLAR PROTONS : Warning condition
PREDICTIONS FOR 13 Apr 2013 10CM FLUX: 140 / AP: 039
PREDICTIONS FOR 14 Apr 2013 10CM FLUX: 142 / AP: 045
PREDICTIONS FOR 15 Apr 2013 10CM FLUX: 143 / AP: 008
COMMENT: Catania sunspot groups 40 and 43 (NOAA ARs 1718 and 1719
respectively) show the signs of decay, although these two active regions
(as well as Catania sunspot group 45, NOAA AR 1721) have beta-gamma
configuration of the photospheric magnetic field. M3.3 flare was
detected on April 12 peaking at 20:38 UT in the Catania sunspot group 40
(NOAA AR 1718). It was not associated with a CME. The delta sunspot in
the Catania sunspot group 43 (NOAA AR 1719) does not exist anymore, so
an X-flare (and an SEP event) is not very likely (although an
Earth-directed CME remains possible). We expect further flaring activity
on the M-level, with a non-negligible chance for an isolated X-class
flare. The proton flux at energies above 10 MeV is currently below the
SEP event threshold, although it still exceeds significantly the
background level. In such a situation, a relatively small increase of
the proton flux at the expected shock arrival may lead to crossing the
SEP event threshold again. The Earth is currently inside a slow (around
400 km/s) solar wind flow with average (around 4 nT) interplanetary
magnetic field magnitude. We expect quiet geomagnetic conditions until
the arrival (expected later today) of the interplanetary disturbance
produced by the halo CME of April 11. The occurrence of a strong
geomagnetic storm (K index around 7) will be probable.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 080, BASED ON 13 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 12 Apr 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 125
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 138
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 010
AK WINGST : 005
ESTIMATED AP : 004
ESTIMATED ISN : 081, BASED ON 20 STATIONS.
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NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
12 1952 2038 2046 N21W42 M3.3 40 1718 Location from SolarSoft Events
END

21115. Re: VE1AL - SK

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-13 15:10:20 UTC
From: NA8M
Topic: 21082 Message: 21115

All:

Our radio club in Western Michigan does a special "Last Call" Ceremony for members of our club who are deceased. We generally do this ceremony on two-meters. The details of the ceremony are as follows:

Silent Key Ceremony

I am assuming you are asking for a written copy of the "Last Call" procedure. As far as I know there has never been a written procedure. The whole thing was the idea of K8MHZ who ran some of the initial nets. It is simply an opportunity for everyone to make a "last call". We have done it a couple of ways. If my memory serves me, the earliest ceremonies were held following the Wednesday night net. A special net was called immediately following the Wednesday night net by a net control station who volunteered for the duty. I do not have a script for that net. Those checking in were assumed to want to participate. The net control would go through the roster, giving everyone a chance to make a "last call". For example, I have a couple of references to the last call ceremony for K8ROH. The call would go something like this:
"K8ROH, K8ROH this is N8YJT"
Listen
"K8ROH, K8ROH this is N8YJT"
Listen
"Nothing heard, N8YJT back to net control"
Most of the time there would only be one call instead of two. But some stations would want to do it twice.The other, more recent method has been to include to the above within the 2 meter net. Assuming everyone would want to participate. This may be in error, but it has not been a problem so far.

This is an opportunity to remember the SK. Oftentimes someone will record the ceremony and offer a copy of same to the family.

If you would like to do such a "Last Call" Ceremony in memory of Al, VE1AL we might want to arrange something on HF.

Bill, NA8M

21116. Re: VK6HD - SK

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-13 18:22:31 UTC
From: tonyjhoffman
Topic: 21102 Message: 21116

This is the first time that I've posted to this group (I've been lurking here for some months), but feel motivated to, what with the double dose of sad news. I worked Mike last November; I'm looking at his card now. He's easily my farthest DX contact, some 11,600 miles as the (very weary) crow flies, and it'll be harder to get much farther than that and stay on the planet. I was thrilled when he came back to me, faint but clear on 17m one night into my indoor Buddipole.

I always appreciated Al's comments in this group, whether or not I agreed with him. He was always insightful, spoke his mind, and had the experience of a lifetime of DXing to contribute. I looked back at my log and see that I did work him once, last Canada Day.

May they both rest in peace.

73 de AA2TH
Tony

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21117. Re: VE1AL - SK

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-14 04:59:29 UTC
From: r_brothers
Topic: 21082 Message: 21117

"In the midst of life..."
I'd like to think Al left this vale with key in hand, trying for a new something.
Only knew him via this reflector (and hearing him in pileups), but his passion for DX was strong.

We'll miss you Al, rest in peace,

73 Randy K9OR

21118. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-14 14:01:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21118

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:Issued: 2013 Apr 14 1301 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30414
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 14 Apr 2013, 1245UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 14 Apr 2013 until 16 Apr 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >= 50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Minor geomagnetic storm expected (A>=30 or K=5)
SOLAR PROTONS : Warning condition
PREDICTIONS FOR 14 Apr 2013 10CM FLUX: 123 / AP: 023
PREDICTIONS FOR 15 Apr 2013 10CM FLUX: 121 / AP: 017
PREDICTIONS FOR 16 Apr 2013 10CM FLUX: 119 / AP: 004
COMMENT: NOAA ARs 1718 and 1719 (Catania numbers 40 and 43) are
decaying, although maintaining their beta-gamma configuration of the
photospheric magnetic field. NOAA AR 1721 (Catania number 45) decayed
also and is now classified as beta active region. No flare above the C2
level occurred during the past 24 hours. We expect flaring activity on
the C-level, also from the rapidly emerging NOAA AR 1723 (no Catania
number yet). An isolated M-class flare is not excluded. Due to two
beta-gamma active regions in the western hemisphere, we maintain the
warning condition for protons, although their flux at energies above 10
MeV continues to decrease. The Earth is currently inside the post-shock
solar wind flow with speed around 500 km/s and interplanetary magnetic
field (IMF) magnitude around 12 nT. The north-south IMF component Bz has
been almost exclusively positive after the shock arrival, so the
geomagnetic conditions remained at the quiet to unsettled level. The
ICME driving the shock has not arrived yet. If it arrives, a geomagnetic
disturbance only up to the minor storm level (K = 5) can be expected due
to low ICME speed.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 076, BASED ON 07 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 13 Apr 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 125
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 013
AK WINGST : 007
ESTIMATED AP : 006
ESTIMATED ISN : 082, BASED ON 19 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
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END
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21119. 5W0M on line log

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-14 20:44:56 UTC
From: w4abw
Topic: 21119 Message: 21119

Yesterday I was in the on line log for a 12m cw qso. Aaggg, today I am not.

Wonder what gives ?

Al
W4ABW

21120. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1108

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-14 20:09:50 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 21120 Message: 21120

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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 7th-April, through Sunday, 14th-April there were 229 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3B9, 3D2, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5U, 5V, 5W, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A2, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C2, C3, C5, C6, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FH, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FW, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J6, J7, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JY, K, KH0, KH2, KH6, KH9, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OJ0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ5, PJ7, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S2, S5, S7, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T7, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TN, TR, TT, TU, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V6, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK9C, VK9L, VP2E, VP2V, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XU, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, Z8, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZF, ZL, ZL9, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

5H, TANZANIA. NODXA member Byron, KF8UN, will be active as 5H3BB from here between August 2-20th. He will be there on a safari with his YL Sandy, K8FUN. Activity is possible on 40-15 meters, but mostly 20 meters

and on SSB with some CW. He will use an IC-706 into a mag mount vertical and/or dipole. QSL via his home callsign direct.

5T1, MAURITANIA (Special Event). Look for Jean, 5T0JL (ON8RA), to be active as 5T1FOC during the month of May. Activity is to celebrate the 75th anniversary of FOC (First Class CW Operators' Club). The special license was issued by the l'Autorité de Régulation, National Council of Regulation in Mauritania (ARE) on March 10th. For more details on the FOC, visit: http://www.g4foc.org
There will be other special FOC callsigns on during the month of May, as well as a special award available. See the Web page above for more details.

8Q, MALDIVES. Jim, G3VDB, will be once again active as 8Q7EJ, but this time from Komandoo Island (AS-013) between May 13-26th. Activity will be holiday style mainly on 20 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via his home callsign. The 2009/2010/2011/2012 8Q7EJ logs are available on the Clublog Web page at: http://www.clublog.org/logsearch/8Q7EJ

9H, MALTA. Operators Olaf/DL4HG and Holger/DL5XAT will once again be active as 9H3OG and 9H3TX, respectively, from Gozo Island (EU-023) between November 17-25th. Activity will be on the 30/17/12 meters using CW and RTTY. Operations will also include the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) as a Multi-2 entry using the callsign 9H3TX. QSL 9H3OG via DL4HG, by the Bureau or direct. QSL 9H3TX via DL5XAT, by the Bureau, direct or LoTW.

A3, TONGA (Update to OPDX.1107). As mentioned last week, Masato "Masa", JA0RQV, a member of a DX group in region zero of JA known as JA0-DX-GANG, will be active as A35JP from Tongatapu Island (OC-049) between May 5-22nd. Activity will be limited as Masa is there working for the Tongan government, so look for him possibly every night (local time) after his work. Operations will be on 80-10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via his home callsign, by the Bureau or direct. For more info, see OPDX.1107 or visit Masa new Web page at: http://www.sato3.com/a35jp/index.html

AFRICAN TOUR. Roger, LA4GHA, is now in Africa on work assignment for the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) in East Africa, until December 2014. He has been active as 5Z4/LA4GHA from Nairobi, Kenya, and is expected to be active as 6O0LA sometimes from Garowe, Somalia. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes, as time permits. QSL via LA4GHA, by the Bureau or direct.

CQMM DX CONTEST/2013 (Reminder)! Ed, PY4WAS, CWJF President, wants to invite everyone to participate in the CQMM DX Contest which is held April 20-21st. For more details, see: http://www.cwjf.com.br

CT9, MADEIRA ISLANDS. Operators Costantino/IW2NXD and Antonio/IK2ZJR will be active as CT9/homecall from Madeira Island (AF-014) between May 12-20th. Activity will be "holiday style". If time permits, they will operate CW, SSB and PSK31. QSL via the Bureau to their home callsign.

EE8, CANARY ISLANDS. Luis, EA8AY, will be active as EE8X from Tenerife Island (IOTA AF-004, DIE S-012, WLOTA 1276, EAA TF) during the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 25-26th) as a Single-Op/All-band entry. QSL via W2GR. Visit his Web site at: http://www.ea8ay.com/ef8x2/index.html

EG3, SPAIN (Special Event). Members of local section of URE (Union Radioaficionados Españoles) in Tarragona, together with the Radio Club del Tarragones, will activate the special event callsign EG3FTV between May 13-26th. Activity will take during the "Festival Tarraco Viva" (see <http://www.tarracoviva.com>). QSL Manager is EA3BDE. QSL via Bureau.

FT5Z, AMSTERDAM ISLANDS. The Amsterdam Island DXpedition Web site is now active and available on-line at: http://www.amsterdamdx.org

IDXC 64TH (VISALIA CONVENTION) NEWS (IOTA Dinner News Flash). Rick, K6VVA, reports: "For any folks making late reservations for the Visalia DX Convention, there may still be a few a few seats left for 'walk-ins' at the IOTA Dinner on Friday evening, April 19th. Tnx to Phil Parton (National Sales Manager) and Kenwood Communications, I am thrilled to announce that the Grand Prize for the IOTA Dinner Raffle will now be a new Kenwood TS-480HX (200 Watt) TXRX. This is the perfect IOTA Expeditioner rig, and I now carry two of these on all my IOTA Expeditions. Having the extra 3dB signal gain from a 200 Watt radio can sometimes make the difference between a QSO being made or not when it is not possible to take along an amplifier."

IOTA NEWS.....
AS-073. Members of the Malaysian Special Expedition Team will be active as 9M2SE from Perhentian Besar Island between May 1-3rd, to promote Malaysia's beautiful island and also IOTA activities. Operators mentioned are Piju/9M2PJU, Khairul/9M2KRZ, Rizal/ 9M2RDX and their special guest from Poland, Jacek/SP5APW. Jacek will continue to operate until May 7th, as 9M2/SP5APW. Their operating equipment will be two 100 watts transceivers, a vertical antenna and a tribander yagi. Activity will be on 40-10 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. For QSL information, please read info carefully on QRZ.com. ADDED NOTES: The Perhentian Islands (Pulau Perhentian in Malay) lie approximately 10 nautical miles (19 km) off the northeastern coast of West Malaysia in the state of Terengganu, approx- imately 40 miles (64 km) south of the Thai border. The name "Perhentian" means "stopping point" in Malay, referring to the islands' traditional role as a waypoint for traders between Bangkok and Malaysia. The islands were sparsely inhabited by fishermen for centuries, although tourism now accounts for most economic activity. The Perhentian Islands appear on many maps of the nineteenth and twentieth century as 'The Station Islands'. This arises from the British colonial period, as an English translation of "stopping point".

EU-068. Members of the Charente DX Group (CDXG) will be active as TM0SI from Ile de Sein between April 27th and May 4th. They

will operate on CW, SSB and the Digital modes on 80-10 meters.
Operators mentioned are Eric/F5LOW, Laurent/F5MNK, Alain/F6ANA,
Bertrand/F6HKA and Leon/ON4ZD/OS0S. All QSOs will be confirmed
automatically via the Bureau. QSL route for direct cards are
via F5LOW. A log search will be available on ClubLog.

EU-088. Operators Harry/PA1H and Nico/PA7PA will be active as OZ/homecall
from Laeso Island (DIA NK-003, WLOTA 2820) between now and April
26th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters, if possible also on 160m,
using SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via his home callsign,
direct or by the Bureau.

EU-127. German operators have once again activated the special callsign
DM50IOTA from Neuwerk this past week between April 12-14th.
This opertaion also counts for the World-Wide Flora and Fauna
(WWFF) as DLFF-005 and for lighthouse chasers as ARLHS FED-165.
QSL via DL2VFR, by the Bureau or direct. For more details and
updates, visit the Web site at: http://www.iota-expedition.com
ADDED NOTE: This is the fourth German Island group activated by
DM50IOTA during the 50th IOTA Marathon. DM50IOTA will activate
all German IOTAs during that time. If you have worked DM50IOTA
from all German IOTA by the end of 2013, you can apply for a
special award.

EU-136. Three Hungarian operators will once again activate Rab Island
(CI-096), Croatia, starting on April 21st, signing 9A/homecall.
Operators mentioned are Pista/HA5AUC, Karl/HA7PC and Ed/HA5BWW.
They will stay there for a week and operate on the HF bands
and 6 meters using mainly CW. Their rigs are an IC-746 and
IC-756PRO with vertical antennas and a FD-4. QSL via the HA
Bureau or direct.

OC-186. Only a few more days to work YB3MM/2 (Adhi) and YB2TET/P (Teti)
from Karimunjawa Island. They are expected to go QRT on April
16th. Activity is between 1700-0600 local time on 15 meters
SSB using low power and a ground-plane. QSL via IZ8CCW.

J8, ST. VINCENT. Brian, GW4DVB, will be active as J8/G4DVB from Palm
Island (NA-025) between now and April 20th. Activity will be on 80-6
meters using a Elecraft KX-3 and HLA300 amp into a HW-40HP dipole. QSL
via GW4DVB. For more details, see the Web site at: http://www.g4dvb.co.uk

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (April 15-21st)....
Apr/15th AN Apr/18th AN Apr/20th AN
Apr/16th AN Apr/19th AN Apr/21st AN
Apr/17th AN

SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS/INDEXES AND GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE
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NORMALITY GEOMAG K Values Alpha
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AN - Above Normal Quiet K=0-1 0-7

HN - High Normal Unsettled K=2 8-15
LN - Low Normal Active K=3 16-29
BN - Below Normal Minor Storm K=4 30-49
DIS - Disturbed Major Storm K=5 50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed Severe Storm K=6-9 100-400

KP2, U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS. Yuriy, N2TTA, will once again be active as KP2MM during the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 25-26th) and the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL via LoTW. For more details, see: http://www.n2tta.info

KP4, PUERTO RICO. Members of the Puerto Rico Field Day Group will be on the air April 18th to celebrate "World Amateur Radio Day 2013" from the Municipal Emergency Management Agency of the city of Cataño, to make echo of this year's theme: "Amateur Radio: entering its Second Century of Disaster Communications". They will use the callsign KP4FD on the HF bands. Confirmations will be via LoTW and there will be an electronic certificate per request. More info on QRZ.com.

MJ, JERSEY. Kazunori, M0CFW/JK3GAD, will be active as MJ5Z during the CQ WPX CW Contest (May 25-26th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL via LoTW or via M0CFW. Look for activity before and after the contest using the callsign MJ0CFW.

MJ, JERSEY. A Belgium team will be active as MJ/OT9Z from the "Jersey Amateur Radio Society" (JARS) Headquarter on Jersey (EU-013) between August 2-9th., 2013. Activity will be on all HF bands and 6 meters using CW, SSB, PSK and RTTY. They plan to have two stations on during the day (Not at night but late in the evening). Operators mentioned are Frederik/ ON8ZL (Team Leader, CW/SSB/6m), Peter/ON8ZZ (PSK/RTTY) and Frank/ON5NQ (SSB). QSL Manager is ON8ZL. For more details, see: http://dxpeditionchannelislands.weebly.com

NH0, MARIANA ISLANDS. Operators Yutaka/JQ2GYU/WS2Y and his wife Miho/ JJ2VLY/WS2M will be active as NH0J from Tinian Island (OC-086), Northern Mariana Islands, the special commemorative Tinian station of the "J-Tinian Radio Space Club, between April 27th and May 1st. Activity will be on 80-10 meters including the 30/17/12 meter bands, using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via JJ2VLY, direct (SAE + 2 USDs) or by the Bureau. Please don't send your QSL request to Tinian Island. For more details and updates, see: http://jq2gyu.blogspot.jp

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (For April 14th)

3D2SE via ZL3TE II1MGY via IW1EHL PJ4/SQ9CNN via SQ9CNN
3Z0WARD via SP6IEQ II3VVF via IV3FIV R3K via RN3DK
5Z4/LA4GHA via LA4GHA J6/N7QT via N7QT RG16PP via RZ3LC
C98RF via DL6DQW LW5ER via M0OXO or LU (B) S79VJG via G4DFI
CT9/DK7YY via DK7YY LW6EGE via EA7HBC SE6Y via SM6DED
CV1DP via CX8DL LZ20TRC via LZ1YE SU9AF via UA3DX
DL0A via DL1OI LZ833MBB via LZ1KCP T6T via RW6HS (d)

DL75KUE via DL7MFK MD/DL4DXF via DL4DXF TM80C via F6FMT
DP50IPAHB via DK3EU MD/DM5DM via DM5DM TZ6BB via W3HNK
DX8DX via M0OXO OE7WJJ via DK8UZ UN9L via LZ1YE
E77DX via OE1EMS OK8DCC via DL3DCC V31MV via IT9EJW
EH4FCF via EA4DOC PA150BA via PA0FAW VK9CZ via N3SL
EH7DMR via EA7KZ PB13ROYAL via PB5X XR86PL via CE3OEV
GB1PC via GM0OBX PB200KING via PA1TX YB8BYL via EA7FTR
H70ORO via TI4SU PH600NYK via PA0RSM ZP9EH via K5WW
IF9/IT9PPG via IT9PPG PJ4/SP6AXW via SP9FIH
IF9/IT9WRZ via IT9WRZ PJ4/SP9FIH via SP9FIH
(e) eQSL only (d) direct only (B) Bureau only (L) LoTW only

VP2V/KE2VB QSL/LoTW STATUS. Rex, NR6M, reported on April 7th: "QSL cards for VP2V/KE2VB arrived yesterday. All QSL request I have received will be in Monday's, April 8th, outgoing mail. Also logs have been uploaded to LoTW. I am looking for more DX stations to manage."

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: CT8/PA4N, CU2CE, DL3GD, EH7H, HZ1SK, JA1LZR, T2T, T46RRC, T48RRC, V31WA, VE3VHB, VK9CZ and Z21BB

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3D2MF, 4L8A, 5B8AD, A5A, A63HI, CT9/DL5AXX, CW5X, E51E, E51WL, EX/UA4WHX, EY8/UA4WHX, HA30S, HC2/UA4WHX, HG1S, JX5O, L22D, LX1HD, T6LG, TT8TT, UK/UAWHX, VP2V/KE2VB, VP8ROT, YB26SEAG and ZL9HR

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 3D2OP, 3D2OU, 3D2RO, 4L1FP, 5Z4HW, 9L0W, 9U4U, B3C, CP8/DF7NX, CT3/DF8AA, EA8/DF8AA, EA8/DK5AN, EP3SMH, HI3EPR, HU2DX, I2VRN, J6/DL7AFS, J79ZG, JW/DF8AN, JW/LZ2HM, JY8VJ, LX0SAR, TC3A, TJ3AY, VU3SIG, YB8Y, Z38Z, ZV2HQ and ZV13HQ

R40, EUROPEAN RUSSIA (WAO and RAO Ops). A group of Russian operators will activate the special callsign R40AST during a complex WAO, RAO and TV DXpedition in the Astronomical Observatory of the North Caucasus. Activity will take place between April 18-22nd, in celebration of the 40th anniversary of the "International Day of Astronomy" (April 19th), one of the oldest scientific disciplines of the Earth, in the framework of the world diploma program Astronomical Observatories (WAO) and National diploma program Astronomical Observatories of Russia (RAO) from the following Astronomical Observatories of the North Caucasus:
April 19th - Remote astronomical Observatory of the Scientific Centre (Ka-Dar); RAO-041.
April 19th - BTA (Big Telescope Alt-Azimuthal); RAO-007.
April 20th - Caucasian mountain Observatory astronomical Institute, Moscow University; RAO-042.
April 20th - Radio astronomy Observatory, (Zelenchukskaya); RAO-027.
April 20th - RATAN-600 - Special astrophysical Observatory; RAO-011.
April 21st - North-Caucasus astronomical station KFU; RAO-028
April 21st - Station optical observations of the satellites of the Earth (Arkhyz); RAO-044.
April 22nd - The Kislovodsk mountain astronomical station; RAO-022.

Operations will be on various HF bands using CW and SSB. Watch around the WFF frequencies. Operators mentioned are Oleg/UA6GG, R7TU, Andy/RN7G, Yuri/RA6EE, Andrei/RK7A, Oleg/R3FA, Valery/RW3GW and TV-operator. Awards are available with 5 QSOs with different RAO expeditions making it possible to automatically fulfill the terms of the WAO EU 3 class (5 QSO, more details: at <http://www.wff44.org/program/wsp/wao/rules>) and RAO class 3 (5 QSO, more details <http://www.greenrussia.travel/RAO>). You may receive an e-Diploma for WAO and RAO. The expedition will be filmed for a documentary (Green Russia) showing the participation by radio amateurs. A special QSL can be obtained via UA6GG (direct, by the Bureau or Green LogSearch).

SILENT KEYS.....
VE1AL - Alan Leith, became a Silent Key (SK) on the afternoon of April 11th, of an apparent heart attack. His daughter found him when she came home from work in his shack. Al achieved the ARRL DXCC #1 Honor Roll before North Korea (P5) was added to the DXCC list, but was waiting for a chance to work that elusive P5. He had 334/353 confirmed on the ARRL DXCC Mixed standings. Col, MM0NDX, states, "CY9M 2012 would not have happened without Al's enthusiasm and help. All the team is shocked and saddened at Al's passing. On behalf of the CY9M team, it was a pleasure to meet Al and spend some time with him."
See: http://www.cy9m.com/al-leith-ve1al-silent-key

VK6HD - Mike Bazley became a Silent Key (SK) on April 12th, after a long fight with cancer. He was noted for being many station's first 160 and 80 meter contact. Mike was the top Australian operator on the current DXCC Honor Roll.

OPDX and its readers would like to send out our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of the above mentioned.

TM114, FRANCE (IMD Op). Look for the Marconi special event station TM114M to be on the air during the weekend of April 20th. The station is celebrating the 114th anniversary of the first wireless radio link between Wimereux, France, and South Foreland, England, on March 27th, 1899. QSL via F5JYD, by the Bureau or direct.

TO4, MARTINIQUE (IPA Op!). Operators Paul/FM5AM, Jean-Baptiste/FM5GI, Valere/FM5CW, Claude/FM5CY and Henri/F6FLO (all members of the International Police Association [IPA]) will use the special callsign TO4IPA from St. Pierre between April 18th and May 2nd. Activity will be on CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK. QSL via HA3JB. QSOs are valid for IPA Award.

UP44, KAZAKHSTAN (WFF/UNFF expedition). Members of the "Traveling Radio Amateurs Group" plan to travel to the area of Tian-Shan Astronomical Observatory between April 20-21st. During the group's expedition, they plan to take part in the "International Astronomy Day" celebration and activate the following reference numbers as UP44WFF:
☐WAO/UNAO-01 - Tien-Shan Observatory (2700 m)
☐WMA/UNM-037 - Tien-Shan Observatory (2700 m)

☐WFF/UNFF-005 Ile-Alatau national Park
☐KDA: Q - 13 (Talgar region)
☐WW Loc.: MN83LB.
Operators mentioned are Arthur/UN6QC, Sergey/UN6GAO and Victor/UN7GIT.
Activity will be on 40-10 meters including the WARC bands using SSB and
the Digital modes. Suggested SSB frequencies are: 7144, 14144, 14244,
18144, 21244, 24944 and 28544 kHz (+/- QRM). Digital frequencies will
be on the "Band Plan 1 Region". QSL via info and details on special
awards is available on QRZ.com.

VE3, CANADA (CISA Op/OQP). Team VE3ZF will be active from Twilight Island
(CISA ON-018), Manitoulin Island district, on April 20th and 21st, in the
Ontario QSO Party. The team will consist of Pat/VE3HZQ, Ron/VE3NDI and
Igor/VE3ZF. QSL via the Bureau or direct. Rules for the Ontario QSO Party
contest are posted at: http://cco.ve3xd.com/oqp/rules.htm

VP2E, ANGUILLA. Operators Rich/KE1B and YL Anna/W6NN will be active as
VP2EAQ and VP2EAR, respectively, from Anguilla between May 9-16th.
Activity will be "holiday-style" using a single station with 100w and
a Buddipole antenna system directly adjacent to the sea. Operations
will be on all bands 40-10 meters (including 30/17/12m), and all modes
(CW/SSB/RTTY). They expect to have Internet access, and plan to upload
logs to ClubLog daily. You can check your QSO status and request a QSL
card via the Online QSL Request System (OQRS). Direct QSLs are via their
home callsign (see QRZ.com for details).

VQ9/VQ93/VQ975, CHAGOS (Special Event). Jim, ND9M, is once again active
as VQ9JC from Diego Garcia until sometime in July. He is expected to use
the special callsign VQ975FOC during the month of May to celebrate the
75th anniversary of the FOC (First Class CW Operators' Club). Also, look
for Jim to be active as VQ93JC between June 22nd and July 7th. He usually
activates a unique/special prefix each year (last year it was VQ92JC).
As mentioned several months ago, Jim is operating Field Day style from
a recreational park using a FT-857 at 100 watts to a dipole at a height
of 10 meters because the VQ9 club station has been shut down. Jim reports
that he has to set up the station each time and then break it down each
day which further limits his operating time typically to 1230-1615z on
most days. Sometimes he is on Fridays starting as early as 0830Z. QSL
via ND9M.

WARD CERTIFICATE (Free!). For those who participate during the "World
Amateur Radio Day" on April 18th, 2013, and make a minimum of 200 QSOs,
can obtain a certificate. It is issued free of charge if requested in
electronic format (pdf). To get this certificate, you must send by May
18th, 2013, a log in ADIF format with 200 QSOs to: fenyo3jw (at) yahoo.com
More info is available at: http://wff-yo.blogspot.com

XW, LAOS. Steve, 9M6DXX, informs OPDX that a multi-national, multi-operator,
DXpedition to Vientiane, Laos, is being planned for September 6-16th, 2013.
Team members are Steve/9M6DXX, James/9V1YC, George/EA2TA, Christian/EA3NT,
Raul/EA5KA, Vincent/F4BKV, Don/G3XTT and Col/MM0NDX. They plan to operate

five stations from 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. A Web site is currently under construction and will be available soon. The callsign and more details will be announced later.

ZK3, TOKELAU (Reminder). Operators Hans/DL6JGN and Guenter/DL2AWG will be active as ZK3N from Nukunonu Atoll (OC-048) between April 15-30th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. They will be using a TS590 with a Tokyo Hy-Power solid state amp; K3 with a 500 watt solid state amp; AV640 and Tripod Leg for 40-10 and GP for 80m. QSL via DL2AWG. Subject to a reliable Internet connection, they will upload their log to ClubLog on a daily basis. Otherwise, the complete log will be uploaded upon their return. There is a ZK3N Web page available at: http://www.tokelau2013.de

ZS8, MARION ISLAND (More Ops Possible). Operators Carson/ZR6CWI (ZS8C) and David/ZS1BCE (ZS8Z) reportedly have departed Cape Town on April 10th, to head to Marion Island. It was announced this week that there may be two more operators onboard the ship to Marion. Nadia (Carson's girlfriend) and Marius (the team's diesel mechanic) are writing to the "Independent Communications Authority of South Africa" (ICASA) for a RAE (Radio Amateur Examination) to obtain a licence. Pierre, ZS1HF/ZS8M, has arranged with the South African Radio League (SARL) to invigilate ['proctor'] the exam. This means there will eventually be four active hams on Marion Island during the next year. Carson and David are expected to be active around mid-May once the ship departs with the old team back to Cape Town. As mentioned in previous bulletins, activity will be on 40-10 meters (NO 160/80m) using mainly SSB and the Digital modes. QSL Manager is ZS1HF.

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21121. W5UWB SK

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-15 01:16:09 UTC
From: John G.
Topic: 21121 Message: 21121

More sad news in terms of silent keys. I learned today from another reflector that John, W5UWB, has become a SK. Some of you probably worked him on 6 meters, or higher bands via the ultimate long path (moonbounce). He was a great VHF pioneer and will be missed.

73 John AF5CC

21122. Re: [DX-IS] W5UWB SK

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-15 02:15:21 UTC
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy (K5MWH)
Topic: 21121 Message: 21122

On 4/14/2013 8:16 PM, John G. wrote:
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> reflector that John, W5UWB, has become a SK. Some of you probably
> worked him on 6 meters, or higher bands via the ultimate long path
> (moonbounce). He was a great VHF pioneer and will be missed.
> 73 John AF5CC
Amen. He worked more 6 meter DX from South Texas than I could dream of here in East Texas. He knew when 6 meters was open long before most of the rest of us. Very sad.

73 John.
You will be missed.

Mike, W5UC

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21123. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-15 14:01:03 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21123

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:Issued: 2013 Apr 15 1255 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30415
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 15 Apr 2013, 1229UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 15 Apr 2013 until 17 Apr 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >= 50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 15 Apr 2013 10CM FLUX: 114 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 16 Apr 2013 10CM FLUX: 111 / AP: 006
PREDICTIONS FOR 17 Apr 2013 10CM FLUX: 108 / AP: 004
COMMENT: Catania sunspot groups 40 and 43 (NOAA ARs 1718 and 1719,
respectively) continue to decay although they still have beta-gamma
configuration of the photospheric magnetic field. No C-class flares were
detected during the past 24 hours. We expect flaring activity on the low
C-level, with an M-class flare being unlikely. The Earth is currently
inside the magnetic cloud associated with the halo CME observed on the
Sun on April 11. The magnetic cloud belongs to the ENW type
(left-handed), and therefore does not contain southward interplanetary
magnetic field (IMF). Since the arrival of the shock driven by this
magnetic cloud late on April 13, the IMF Bz component was steadily
positive and the solar wind speed did not exceed 560 km/s, so no
geomagnetic storm occurred (K index stayed below 4). Currently the solar
wind speed is around 390 km/s and the IMF magnitude is around 9-10 nT.
Unless the IMF turns strongly southward, which is unlikely, we expect
quiet geomagnetic conditions.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 064, BASED ON 11 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 14 Apr 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 117
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 015
AK WINGST : 013
ESTIMATED AP : 013
ESTIMATED ISN : 076, BASED ON 15 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
END
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21124. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-16 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21124

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:Issued: 2013 Apr 16 1306 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30416
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 16 Apr 2013, 1223UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 16 Apr 2013 until 18 Apr 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >= 50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 16 Apr 2013 10CM FLUX: 111 / AP: 003
PREDICTIONS FOR 17 Apr 2013 10CM FLUX: 110 / AP: 005
PREDICTIONS FOR 18 Apr 2013 10CM FLUX: 109 / AP: 006
COMMENT: Four weak C-class flares were detected during the past 24
hours. Three of the observed flares originated from the Catania sunspot
group 46 (NOAA AR 1723) which is growing fast and has beta-gamma
configuration of the photosperic magnetic field. The C-class flares are
probable, in particular from the Catania sunspot group 46. The M-class
flares are possible but not very probable. The Earth is currently inside
a slow solar wind with a speed of about 360 km/s. Small low-latitude
coronal hole in the northern hemisphere will pass the central meridian
later today, however not much impact is expected from this coronal hole.
The interplanetary magnetic field magnitude is about 5 nT, with its Bz
component most of the time steadily positive. The geomagnetic conditions
are quiet and expected to remain so.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 061, BASED ON 11 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 15 Apr 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 093
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 113
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 010
AK WINGST : 006
ESTIMATED AP : 005
ESTIMATED ISN : 069, BASED ON 23 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
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21125. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-17 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21125

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:Issued: 2013 Apr 17 1320 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30417
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 17 Apr 2013, 1234UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 17 Apr 2013 until 19 Apr 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >= 50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 17 Apr 2013 10CM FLUX: 108 / AP: 006
PREDICTIONS FOR 18 Apr 2013 10CM FLUX: 107 / AP: 006
PREDICTIONS FOR 19 Apr 2013 10CM FLUX: 106 / AP: 009
COMMENT: Six sunspot groups were reported by Catania today. The flaring
activity was at the low C-class level, and the strongest flare reported
was the long duration C3.5 flare peaking at 21:32 UT on April 16. The
flare originated from the Catania sunspot group 43 (NOAA AR 1719)
situated at that moment close to the west solar limb. The flare was
associated with the coronal dimming. The presence of the coronal dimming
gives indication that the flare had an associated CME. However, this
cannot be confirmed due to the data gap in SOHO/LASCO and STEREO
observations. The flaring activity at the C-class level is probable and
the M-class flares are still possible but unlikely. The Earth is inside
a slow solar wind with a speed of about 350 km/s. The interplanetary
magnetic field magnitude is about 4 nT. The Bz component of the
interplanetary magnetic field is fluctuating with the occasional
intervals of its negative values (up to -5 nT). The geomagnetic
conditions are quiet and expected to remain so.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 062, BASED ON 08 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 16 Apr 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 109
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 113
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 010
AK WINGST : 005
ESTIMATED AP : 004
ESTIMATED ISN : 067, BASED ON 20 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
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21126. Solar Cycle 24 - the peak? - delayed email

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-18 07:00:11 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 21126 Message: 21126

Hi Guys,

In respect to too great ops. namely VK6HD and VE1AL, the following email was not sent a few days ago.
I was actually typing this message when I suddenly noticed Al's passing and it went straight into the draft box.

(the text in red I have just filled in now)

Well Guys, we may be at the peak.

This could be the peak today (I hope not) but have a look at the numbers and the charts here http://www.solarham.net/

I was hoping for solar flux to hit 200+ this time but it only made around 150.
I really need 200+ to get a signal into EU on 6m, 150 just doesn't cut the mustard.

Anyone got some better news about the sun out there?

Poles shut this morning, hopefully things will settle down shortly as we come off this temporary peak.

Bring on CE0Z

73, Lance - VK6DU

I have been in touch with LU5OM Manuel in Argentina about an 80m QSO. Manuel needs z29 on 80 and had been in touch with Mike VK6HD through Mike's wife while Mike was in hospital in last week. Mike conveyed his message via Pam up until his final day...
In memory of Mike, I have vowed to Manuel to complete the QSO on Mike's behalf, I know that Mike would have wanted this, let's hope we can do it on CW this winter.

I will keep you all informed of our progress.

This does not mean I will have the same signal as Mike or the passion he had on the low bands, he was a master...

73, Lance - VK6DU

21127. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-18 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21127

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:Issued: 2013 Apr 18 1224 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30418
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 18 Apr 2013, 1152UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 18 Apr 2013 until 20 Apr 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >= 50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 18 Apr 2013 10CM FLUX: 105 / AP: 003
PREDICTIONS FOR 19 Apr 2013 10CM FLUX: 103 / AP: 009
PREDICTIONS FOR 20 Apr 2013 10CM FLUX: 100 / AP: 011
COMMENT: Majority of the flaring activity during past 24 hours was of
the low C-class level and originated from the Catania sunspot group 43
(NOAA AR 1719) which just turned behind the west solar limb. The
strongest flare reported was C1.6 flare peaking at 08:19 UT today. The
long duration C3.5 flare peaking at 21:32 UT on April 16 was associated
with narrow CME which will not arrive at the Earth. The solar wind speed
decreased to rather low value of about 280 km/s. The interplanetary
magnetic field magnitude is stable and amounts about 3 nT . The fast
flow from the small low-latitude coronal hole in the northern hemisphere
which passed the central meridian on April 16 might arrive at the Earth
late on April 19 or early on April 20. Although the arrival of the fast
stream is possible it is not very probable, and we do not expect
disturbed geomagnetic conditions due to its arrival. We expect quiet
geomagnetic conditions in the next 48 hours.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 060, BASED ON 14 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 17 Apr 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 112
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 108
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 005
AK WINGST : 003
ESTIMATED AP : 002
ESTIMATED ISN : 067, BASED ON 22 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
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21128. ARLD016 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-19 01:55:32 UTC
From: jjreisert@...
Topic: 3410 Message: 21128

SB DX @ ARL $ARLD016
ARLD016 DX news

ZCZC AE16
QST de W1AW
DX Bulletin 16 ARLD016
>From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT April 18, 2013
To all radio amateurs

SB DX ARL ARLD016
ARLD016 DX news

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by NC1L, The Weekly DX, the OPDX Bulletin, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, DXNL, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

TANZANIA, 5H. Bodo, DF8DX, will be QRV as 5H1DX and 5H1DX/3 from IOTAs AF-075, AF-063 and AF-032 from April 20 to 28. Activity will be on 160 to 10 meters near the IOTA frequencies using mostly CW, with EME on 70 and 23 cm using JT65 and CW. QSL to home call.

MALDIVES, 8Q. Pai, VU2PAI and Krish, W4VKU will be QRV as 8Q7KP from Bodu Finolhu Island, IOTA AS-013, from April 23 to 30 with two stations. QSL via operators' instructions.

CROATIA, 9A. Operators HA5AUC, HA7PC and HA5BWW will be QRV as 9A/homecalls from Rab Island, IOTA EU-136, from April 21 to 28. Activity will be on the HF bands including 6 meters using mainly CW. QSL direct to home calls.

FRANCE, F. Marconi special event station TM114M will be QRV on April 20 and 21 in celebration of the 114th anniversary of the first wireless radio link between Wimereux, France and South Foreland, England on March 27, 1899. QSL via F5JYD.

MARTINIQUE, FM. A group of operators are QRV as TO4IPA until May 2. Activity is on the HF bands using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK. QSL via HA3JB.

HUNGARY, HA. Special event station HG50NOHAB is QRV until March 31 2014 in celebration of the modernization of the Hungarian Railway 50 years ago. Activity is on the HF bands using CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL via bureau.

SOMALIA, T5. Roger, LA4GHA is QRV as 6O0LA from Puntland while working as a member of the UNODC-mission. He is active in his spare time on 160 to 6 meters using CW, SSB and various digital modes. QSL to home call.

EUROPEAN RUSSIA, UA. Special event station R40AST is QRV until April 22 from multiple Astronomical Observatories in the North Caucasus of Russia during the International Day of Astronomy. QSL via UA6GG.

KAZAKHSTAN, UN. A group of operators will be QRV as UP44WFF from the Talgar region on April 20 and 21 during the International Day of Astronomy. Activity will be on 40 through 10 meters using SSB and various digital modes. QSL via operators' instructions.

CHAGOS ISLAND, VQ9. Jim, ND9M is QRV as VQ9JC from Diego Garcia until sometime in July. He may also be active using the special callsign VQ975FOC during the month of May to celebrate the 75th anniversary of the First Class CW Operators Club. He is active Field Day style from 1230 to 1615z most days. QSL to home call.

PRINCE EDWARD AND MARION ISLANDS, ZS8. Look for Carson, ZR6CWI and David, ZS1BCE to soon be QRV as ZS8C and ZS8Z, respectively, from Marion Island. They may be joined by other operators as well. Activity will eventually be on 40 to 10 meters using mainly SSB with some digital modes. QSL via ZS1HF.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The ARRL SSB Rookie Roundup, NCCC RTTY Sprint, Holyland DX Contest, TARA Skirmish Digital Prefix Contest, ES Open HF Championship, Worked All Provinces of China DX Contest, Nebraska QSO Party, CQ Manchester Mineira DX CW Contest, EU SSB Spring Sprint, Michigan QSO Party, EA-QRP CW Contest, North Dakota QSO Party, Ontario QSO Party, South Dakota QSO Party, Feld Hell Sprint and the YU DX CW Contest will certainly keep contesters busy this upcoming weekend.

The Run for the Bacon QRP CW Contest is scheduled for April 22. The SKCC CW Sprint, CWops Mini-CWT Test and 432 MHz Spring Sprint are scheduled for April 24. Please see April QST, page 84, and the ARRL and WA7BNM Contest websites for details.
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21129. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-19 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21129

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:Issued: 2013 Apr 19 1245 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
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SIDC URSIGRAM 30419
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 19 Apr 2013, 1208UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 19 Apr 2013 until 21 Apr 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Quiet conditions (<50% probability of C-class flares)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 19 Apr 2013 10CM FLUX: 103 / AP: 005
PREDICTIONS FOR 20 Apr 2013 10CM FLUX: 100 / AP: 010
PREDICTIONS FOR 21 Apr 2013 10CM FLUX: 098 / AP: 006
COMMENT: Seven sunspot groups were reported by Catania today and none
of them was particularly active, with only two C-class flares reported
in last 24 hours. The strongest flare reported was long duration C5.6
flare peaking at 18:23 UT on April 18, and originating from the Catania
sunspot group 43 (NOAA AR 1719) situated at that moment just behind the
west solar limb. The partial halo CME, associated with this flare, was
first seen in the SOHO/LASCO C2 field of view at 18:36 UT, had angular
width of about 180 degrees and projected speed of about 400 km/s (as
reported by CACTUS software). The CME was associated with the coronal
dimming, EIT wave and a type II radio burst. The solar wind speed has
continuously low value of about 280 km/s. The interplanetary magnetic
field magnitude is stable and amounts about 4 nT . The fast flow from
the small low-latitude coronal hole in the northern hemisphere might
arrive at the Earth late today or early tomorrow. The arrival of the
fast stream is not very probable and should not result in disturbed
geomagnetic conditions. Due to the position of the CME associated active
region we do not expect the partial halo CME from April 18 to arrive at
the Earth. We expect quiet geomagnetic conditions in the next 48 hours.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 052, BASED ON 16 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 18 Apr 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 086
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 105
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 005
AK WINGST : 002
ESTIMATED AP : 002
ESTIMATED ISN : 060, BASED ON 20 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
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NONE
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21130. NY Times: "Serbia and Kosovo Reach Milestone Deal"

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-19 17:42:17 UTC
From: wn3vaw
Topic: 21130 Message: 21130

Just posted online by the New York Times:

"Serbia and Kosovo reached an agreement on Friday aimed at overcoming ethnic enmities in the former Serbian province, a milestone that could enhance stability in the region and help clear the path for their eventual membership in the European Union."

http://www.nytimes.com/2013/04/20/world/europe/serbia-and-kosovo-reach-milestone-deal.html?pagewanted=all

In the article, it is reported that part of the deal includes Serbia not opposing membership by Kosovo in (unspecified) international organizations... which may mean an official ITU-assigned prefix, which in turn means eligibility (at last!) for DXCC status.

73, ron w3wn

21131. Re: [DX-IS] NY Times: "Serbia and Kosovo Reach Milestone Deal"

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-19 18:24:37 UTC
From: John G.
Topic: 21130 Message: 21131

What is required to get an ITU prefix block assigned? The other way to get DXCC entity status is to be admitted to the UN, but I think there is at least one country on the security council that would oppose Kosovo membership in the UN.

John AF5CC
----- Original Message -----
From: wn3vaw
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Friday, April 19, 2013 5:42 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] NY Times: "Serbia and Kosovo Reach Milestone Deal"

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http://www.nytimes.com/2013/04/20/world/europe/serbia-and-kosovo-reach-milestone-deal.html?pagewanted=all

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73, ron w3wn

21132. ARLP016 Propagation de K7RA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-19 17:52:58 UTC
From: jjreisert@...
Topic: 3412 Message: 21132

SB PROP @ ARL $ARLP016
ARLP016 Propagation de K7RA

ZCZC AP16
QST de W1AW
Propagation Forecast Bulletin 16 ARLP016
>From Tad Cook, K7RA
Seattle, WA April 19, 2013
To all radio amateurs

SB PROP ARL ARLP016
ARLP016 Propagation de K7RA

Solar activity weakened over the current reporting period (April 11-17), and geomagnetic conditions were stable as well. The predicted geomagnetic storm did not happen last weekend, with both the planetary and mid-latitude A index only rising to 10 on Sunday April 14 in response to a glancing blow from a CME.

Average daily sunspot numbers declined nearly 25 points to 113.3, and average daily solar flux was down over 17 points to 121.7.

Predicted flux values for the near term are 95 on April 19, 90 on April 20-23, 95 on April 24-25, 100 on April 26, 110 on April 27-28, 115 on April 29-30, 120 on May 1-2, 125 on May 3-6, 120 on May 7-8, and 115 on May 9-12.

Predicted planetary A index is 5 on April 19-22, 12 on April 23-25, 15 on April 26, 5 on April 27 to May 4, 8 on May 5, 5 on May 6-11, and 8 on May 12.

F.K. Janda, OK1HH of the Czech Propagation Interest Group predicts the geomagnetic field will be quiet to unsettled April 19, quiet April 20, mostly quiet April 21, quiet to unsettled April 22, quiet to active April 23, active to disturbed April 24, quiet to active April 25, active to disturbed April 26, quiet to unsettled April 27-28, mostly quiet April 29-30, quiet May 1-4, mostly quiet May 5, quiet May 6-7, mostly quiet May 8, quiet May 9, mostly quiet May 10, quiet to unsettled May 11-12, and mostly quiet May 13.

Carl Luetzelschwab, K9LA maintains a great website devoted to propagation information, but it moved recently to a new domain. Check http://k9la.us/.

Paul Drahn, KD7HB of Crooked River Ranch in Central Oregon wrote: "I must take exception to your comment about 'great news for HF propagation.' It's very difficult for local evening nets on 75

meters. I am active on the Oregon Emergency Net on 3980 from 6pm to 7pm. Just prior to our net, the Tennessee phone net operates on the same frequency. Afterward, several Tennessee hams use the frequency as a local rag chew net. At times, like the last two evenings, they are stronger in Oregon than many of the local check-in stations. Last night there were at least three conversations going on from Tennessee, all on 3980. They could not hear each other, and could not hear the OEN.

"We expect this interference in the Winter, but only is a problem at other times when the propagation allows it. Fortunately the folks in Tennessee go to bed early!"

As we move later in the Spring and toward Summer, the signals should be weaker around net time. It might help if the folks in Tennessee used NVIS type antennas for local coverage, as they don't have a low angle of radiation. There are several pages that describe the NVIS, or Near Vertical Incident Skywave antenna, such as http://www.hamuniverse.com/nvisbeam.html or http://www.w0ipl.net/ECom/NVIS/nvis.htm or https://www.txarmymars.org/downloads/NVIS-Antenna-Theory-and-Design.pdf.

If you would like to make a comment or have a tip for our readers, email the author at, k7ra@....

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service web page at, http://arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals. For an explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin, see http://arrl.org/the-sun-the-earth-the-ionosphere. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at http://arrl.org/w1aw-bulletins-archive-propagation. More good information and tutorials on propagation are at http://k9la.us/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://arrl.org/propagation.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of ARRL bulletins are at http://arrl.org/bulletins.

Sunspot numbers for April 11 through 17 were 121, 128, 148, 111, 99, 97, and 89, with a mean of 113.3. 10.7 cm flux was 137.1, 137.9, 125.1, 116.8, 113.3, 113.3, and 108.1, with a mean of 121.7. Estimated planetary A indices were 5, 5, 6, 10, 5, 3, and 3, with a mean of 5.3. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 4, 4, 6, 10, 6, 2, and 2, with a mean of 4.9.
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21133. 425 DX News - #1146

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-19 20:07:01 UTC
From: r_brothers
Topic: 21133 Message: 21133

20 April 2013 A.R.I. DX Bulletin
No 1146
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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** DX INFORMATION ****
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Edited by I1JQJ & IK1ADH
Direttore Responsabile I2VGW

5B - Dave 5B/G4IAR/p, his wife Judith 5B/G4IAQ/p and Steve 5B/G0SGB/p will be active from Cyprus (AS-004) on 22-28 April. Operations will be mostly centered on lighthouses and on 20 metres. QSL via home calls, direct only. [TNX rsgbiota.org]
8Q - Pai, VU2PAI and Krish, W4VKU (VU2VKU) will be as 8Q7KP from the Maldives (AS-013) on 23-30 April. They will operate SSB, CW and RTTY on 80-10 metres with two stations. They plan to setup an OQRS on Club Log, and also to upload their log to LoTW, eQSL and qrz.com.
9H - Look for Floris PA1FW (9H3E), Jasper PB2JJ (9H3JN), Rinus PA2HEM (9H3MS), Marion PD3MV (9H3MV), Wim PG9W (9H3ON), Andre PA3HGP (9H3S) and Sjirk PE1OFJ (9H3YM) to be active from Malta (EU-023) between 18 May and 5 June. They will be QRV on 80-6 metres, and will use their personal calls as well as 9H25 (QSL via PI4KGL), a very special callsign chosen to celebrate the group's 25th trip to Malta.
9M2 - Piju 9M2PJU, Khairul 9M2KRZ, Rizal 9M2RDX and Jacek SP5APW will be active as 9M2SE from Perhentian Besar Island (AS-073) on 1-3 May (Jacek will continue to be QRV as 9M2/SP5APW until the 7th, see 425DXN 1143]. They will have two transceivers (100 watts), a vertical antenna and a tribander yagi, and will operate CW, SSB and digital modes on 40-10 metres. QSL for this IOTA operation via SP5APW. [TNX 9M2PJU]
DU - Victor, R6AF will be active as DU1/R6AF from Busuanga Island (OC-090) from 27 April to 3 May. [TNX DX World]
FM - International Police Association's members F6FLO, FM5AM, FM5CW, FM5CY and FM5GI will operate SSB, CW, RTTY and PSK as TO4IPA from St. Pierre, Martinique (NA-107) between 18 April and 2 May. QSL via HA3JB. [TNX HA3JB]
GM - A group of operators from the Kilmarnock and Loudoun ARC will be active as MM0KLR from the Isle of Canna (EU-008) on 22-26 April. QSL via MM0KLR (bureau) or MM0GHM (direct). [TNX rsgbiota.org]
GW - Six operators from the Gordano Amateur Radio Group (namely Peter 2E0GKA, Lyns G0AZE, Michael G1UPP, Malcolm G4KPM, Martin M0HCT and Jim M0JWB) will participate in the International Marconi Day as GB5IMD from Flat Holm Island (EU-124). They expect to be QRV with

two stations on 80-10 metres from around 17 UTC on 19 April until around 9 UTC on the 21st. Request your card by sending QSO details to lynsowen[@]blueyonder.co.uk
I - ARMI Taranto (IQ7UJ) will be active as II7WARD on 18-21 April to celebrate the World Amateur Radio Day. QSL via IZ7AUH (OQRS on Club Log). [TNX IZ7AUH]
I - Special memorial station IY4MKD (Marconi Kite Day) will be active on 25-28 April during the 34th "Vulandra" International Kite Festival in Ferrara. The antenna will be lifted by a Baden-Powell Levitor kite, like Marconi did to receive the first transatlantic wireless transmissions back in 1901. QSL via IQ4FE, direct or bureau. [TNX IK4VFB]
JD1_oga- Look for JD1YBT and JD1BLC to be QRV from Chichijima (AS-031), Ogasawara from 28 April to 5 May. Plans are to be active on 160-6 metres CW, SSB, RTTY (plus FM on 10m). QSL both calls via JP1IOF and LoTW.
PJ2 - Once again Anja, DH2AK and Torsten, DL1THM will be active holiday style as PJ2/DH2AK and PJ2/DL1THM from Curacao (SA-099) from 23 April to 7 May. They plan to operate SSB on 15-20 metres. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. [TNX DX Newsletter]
SV - Laci, HA0HW Laci will be active as SW8WW from Thassos Island (EU-174) from 23 May to 5 June, including an entry in the CQ WW WPX CW Contest. Before and after the contest he will operate CW, SSB and RTTY on the HF bands and 6 metres. QSL via HA0HW, direct or bureau. [TNX HA0HW]
SV5 - A group of nine operators (namely John SV1GE, Theodoros SV1GRM, Cliff SV1JG, Manos SV1ME, Spiros SV1RC, George SV1RP, Vangelis SV2BFN, Takis SV2FWV and Mike SV8GKE) will be active as SX5KL from Kalolimnos (EU-001) on 10-20 May. They will operate CW, SSB and RTTY on 160-6 metres. QSL via SV2FWV, direct or bureau (OQRS on Club Log), and LoTW. Further information at sx5kl.no-ip.org [TNX SV8CYV]
SV9 - Look for Alessandro SV9/IK4ALM (SSB and CW) and Carlo SV9/IZ4WJA (digital modes) to be active on 40-10 metres from Crete (EU-015) on 13-20 May. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. [TNX IK4ALM]
TA - Once again the TC Special Wireless Activity Team (www.tcswat.org) will be active as TC57A on 19-25 April in remembrance of the role played by the 57th Infantry Regiment ("Alay") of the Turkish Fifth Army during the Dardanelles Campaign in 1915. QSL via TA1HZ. [TNX TA1HZ]
V2 - Paul, KB4GYT will be active holiday style as V25PM from Antigua (NA-100) from 27 April to 4 May. He will operate mainly CW, with some SSB and PSK31. QSL via home call (direct).
VE - Team VE3ZF (namely Pat VE3HZQ, Ron VE3NDI and Igor VE3ZF) will be active from Twilight Island (not IOTA, CISA ON-018) on 20-21 April during the Ontario QSO Party (http://cco.ve3xd.com/oqp/rules.htm). QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX VE3ZF]
VE - Heinz, VA7AQ and Mike, VE7ACN will operate CW and SSB from Gambier Island (NA-091) on 25-29 April. QSL via home calls [TNX islandchaser.com]

VU7 - Krish, W4VKU (VU2VKU) reports he has been granted permission by the Indian Ministry of Communications to operate as VU7KV from Kavaratti, Lakshadweep Islands (AS-011) between 23 April and 5 May. However, "plans are already firm to activate 8Q7KP from 23 to 30 April" and "getting to the VU7 island has become a challenge". If he gets to Kavaratti, plans are to operate SSB and some RTTY on 80-10 metres. See www.qrz.com/db/VU7KV.
YN - Luca, IK2PFL will be active as YN/IK2PFL from Nicaragua on 2-6 May. He will operate CW on the HF bands and 6 metres, and will participate in the ARI International DX Contest (from 12 UTC on 4 May through 1159 UTC on the 5th).

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**** GOOD TO KNOW ... ****
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425 DX NEWS MAGAZINE ---> The March 2013 issue is now available for download at www.425dxn.org/monthly/index.html. [TNX IZ3EBA]

AMATEUR RADIO IN GREECE ---> Published in 1990, "The Dawn of Amateur Radio in the U.K. and Greece" by Norman F. Joly (G3FNJ) is still the standard reference of this period. Vienna-based Documentary Archive has just published the chapters relating to the history of Amateur radio in Greece, with the author's kind permission from his personal copy which contains some corrections and amendments to the printed version, and with additional material from the Archive's files: see www.dokufunk.org/joly and www.dokufunk.org(joly-d) for a German version. [TNX OE1WHC]

IOTA HONOUR ROLL ---> The 2013 Honour Roll and Annual Listings have been uploaded to both the IOTA Manager's (www.g3kma.dsl.pipex.com) and the IOTA Programme's (www.rsgbiota.org) websites.

WRTC2014 NEWS ---> WRTC2014, Inc., host of the 2014 World Radiosport Team Championship (WRTC) competition, has opened the application process for qualified individuals that would like to serve as Referees. The Referee application period closes on 1 December 2013. Complete information, including downloadable application forms, can be found at http://www.wrtc2014.org/qualifying/referee-selection/

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
******* QSL ROUTES *******
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CALL MANAGER CALL MANAGER CALL MANAGER
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3B8MM DL6UAA GB2GM 2E0GSD RA27MI R6MI
3D2SE ZL3TE GB4T M0DOL RA27MM UA1ANA
3Z0WARD SP6IEQ GX3EFX G0ACK RA27NX R4NX
3Z1K SP1KRF GX8HRC G3SVK RA27WC RA4WC
4A2I XE2I H70ORO TI4SU RA4HKM/0 RW4HW
4A8DMR N7RO HB0/PA2RDK PE1FLO RG61PP RZ3LC
4J3DF RW6HS HB0/PA3CNO PE1FLO RI1ANP RN1ON
4J6RO 4K4K HB0/PA3HK PE1FLO RI1FJ UA2FM
4L1MA ON4RU HB9WARD HB9JOE RL22RW R3COM
4S7BRG LZ3HI HC5EG EA5GL RT27AA RA4PCP
4X65UN 4X1UN HF55OP SQ9CWO RT27AN UA4PAN
4Z65TL 4Z1TL HH2/EK6KB K6EID RT27TT RZ4PZA
5H3MB IK2GZU II0IEE IW0EFA RT9L/8 UA9LP
5V7ZA TF3ZA II1MGY IW1EHL RU27AR UA1OJL
6Y5CN N1QAE II3VVF IV3FIV RU27FJ RN4HFJ
7S55S SM6EGJ II7WARD IZ7AUH RU27LU UA4L
7Z1ES IZ8CLM J49C SV9COL RU27ON RN1ON
8P9HI VA3QSL J75PX AI5P RU27TT R2TT
9A65S 9A1DFG J8/G4DVB GW4DVB RU27WN RX9WN
9G5EME PA3CEE JY4CI K2AX S79VJG G4DFI
9H3KV F4BKV JY4NE K3IRV SE6Y SM6DED
9M4CJB 9W2BUG KH0WJ JS3LSQ SJ9WL LA4EKA
9M6DXX M0URX LA190B LA1B SN0MD SP1PNW
A22LL ZS1LL LG5LG LA4EKA SP73VOT SP5PBE
A43WARD A47RS LW5ER M0OXO SU9AF UA3DX
A52SV JA2PSV LZ13FDAY LZ1YQ T6DA ND9Q
A60WARD IZ8CLM MJ0UOO/p M0UOO T6TM KB2RLB
A61ZA IZ8CLM OH3I OH3BHL TJ3AY F5LGE
C91RF DL6DQW OM20TUSR OM3RP TM28UFT F9IE
C98RF DL6DQW OU1RAEM DF5LW TM50ENSO F5LGQ
CO2WF N1KI P29CS M0URX TM80C F6FMT
CO6LC EA5GL PA200KING PD5ROB TM8BIRD F5INJ
CO7EH AD4C PB200KING PA1TX UE52G RK4CYW
CP6XE IK6SNR PB2013KING PA9LUC V31HU IT9EJW
CR5FC CS5NRA PJ4/SP6AXW SP9FIH V31MV IT9EJW
CR5IARU CT1REP PJ4/SP9FIH SP9FIH V32EE IT9EJW
CV1DP CX8DL PJ4/SQ9CNN SP9FIH V47GIW W4GIW
CW90A CX2ABC R27AHA UA3AHA V63DX JA7HMZ
CX3TQ IK2DUW R27CGY RA0CGY V63T JA7GYP
DM50IOTA DL2VFR R27NBA UA4NBA VK0JJJ K7CO
DU1/W7XA NR6M R27OGF UA9OGF VK9LT W6NV
DX50DBT DX1DBT R27TTT RT3T XR86PL CE3ETE
DX8DX M0OXO R27UFA RM8W XV1X RW6HS
E77DX OE1EMS R27VLG RZ4AG XV5HS EA5ZD
EH4FCF EA4DOC R3K RN3DK YB8BYL EA7FTR
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EM45ERS UT0EK RA27AX RK6AX ZF2BI K4BI
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21134. 425 DX Calendar - #1146

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From: r_brothers
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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
******* CALENDAR *******
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PERIOD CALL REF
till 20/04 HB0/PA2HGJ, HB0/PA2HW, HB0/PA2RDK: Liechtenstein 1144
till 20/04 HB0/PA3CNO, HB0/PA3DFR, HB0/PA3HK: Liechtenstein 1144
till 20/04 HB0/PE0MGB and HB0/PE1FLO: Liechtenstein 1144
till 20/04 J75PX: Dominica (NA-101) 1144
till 20/04 J8/G4DVB: Palm Island (NA-025) 1143
till 20/04 PJ4/SP6AXW and PJ4/SP9FIH: Bonaire (SA-006) 1137
till 20/04 V63DX and V63T: Pohnpei (OC-010) 1145
till 21/04 4A8DMR: special callsign 1145
till 21/04 GB5IMD: Flat Holm Island (EU-124) 1146
till 21/04 II7WARD: special station 1146
till 21/04 OE13M: special event station 1140
till 21/04 RT9L/8: Nature Park "Bazhovskiye mesta" 1145
till 21/04 TM28UFT: special callsign (France) 1143
till 22/04 PA6IMD: special callsign 1145
till 25/04 TC57A: special callsign 1146
till 26/04 OZ/PA1H and OZ/PA7PA: Laeso Island (EU-088) 1139
till 26/04 PA0WRS/p: Ameland Island (EU-038) 1145
till 28/04 PA150BA: special callsign 1143
till 28/04 T6MO: Afghanistan 1145
till 29/04 FR/F5MNW: Reunion Island (AF-016) 1143
till 30/04 8J6ISG: special event station 1138
till 30/04 PA13KING: special callsign 1143
till 30/04 XR86PL: special event callsign 1144
till 30/04 ZK3N: Tokelau (OC-048) 1143
till 02/05 TO4IPA: Martinique (NA-107) 1146
till 05/05 PA200KING: special event station 1143
till 08/05 5H3MB: Tanzania 1139
till 08/05 PB200KING: special callsign 1143
till 12/05 PB2013KING: special callsign 1143
till 30/05 7T50ARA and 7T9A: special callsigns (Algeria) 1139
till 30/05 SV3/ON4LO/p: Greece 1145
till 31/05 HG52FC: special event station 1141
till May 9G5MS: Ghana 1134
till 30/06 J49C: special callsign 1144

till 17/07 R27, RA27, RT27, RU27: special prefixes 1145
till October T6MH: Afghanistan 1125
till 31/12 4A1TD: special callsign 1143
till 31/12 DL50FRANCE: special station 1131
till 31/12 EI13CLAN: special callsign 1130
till 31/12 Gx100C: special callsign 1134
till 31/12 Gx100RSGB: special callsigns 1130
till 31/12 HA30S: special callsign 1136
till 31/12 HB30OK: special callsign 1130
till 31/12 OU1RAEM: special callsign 1130
till 31/12 RI1ANP: Progress Station (Antarctica) 1132
till 31/12 S5300TP: special callsign 1130
till 31/12 Z320RSM and Z320A-Z320Z: special callsigns 1130
till Feb 2014 VK0JJJ: Mawson station (Antarctica) 1135
till Feb 2014 ZS7V: SANAE IV station (Antarctica) 1136
till Dec 2014 5Z4/LA4GHA: Kenya 1145
till Dec 2014 6O0LA: Somalia 1145
20/04-21/04 JA6TNY/0: Awa Island (AS-117) 1145
20/04-01/05 PB33Q: special callsign 1143
20/04-11/05 PG6KING: special callsign 1143
20/04-21/04 TM114M: special callsign 1145
20/04-04/05 TO5PX: Martinique (NA-107) 1144
20/04-21/04 VE3ZF: Twilight Island (not IOTA) 1146
21/04 5H1DX/3: Bongoyo Island (AF-075) 1145
21/04-27/04 9A/HA5AUC, 9A/HA5BWW, 9A/HA7PC: Rab Island (EU-136) 1145
21/04-24/04 IM0MA: Maddalena Island (EU-041) 1144
21/04-26/04 XF2E: Isla de Venados (NA-171) 1137
22/04-28/04 5B/G4IAR/p, 5B/G4IAQ/p, 5B/G0SGB/p: Cyprus (AS-004) 1146
22/04-26/04 5H1DX: Pemba Island (AF-063) 1145
22/04-04/05 JD1BMH: Chichijima (AS-031), Ogasawara 1140
22/04-26/04 MM0KLR: Isle of Canna (EU-008) 1146
22/04-02/05 PC13KING: special event station 1143
23/04-30/04 8Q7KP: Maldives (AS-013) 1146
23/04-07/05 PJ2/DH2AK and PJ2/DL1THM: Curacao (SA-099) 1146
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25/04-29/04 VA7AQ and VE7ACN: Gambier Island (NA-091) 1146
26/04-28/04 5H1DX: Zanzibar (AF-032) 1145
26/04-05/05 6V7T: Senegal 1145
26/04-28/04 K5KUA/5: Galveston Island (NA-143) 1145
26/04-23/05 PA33KBX: special callsign 1143
26/07-28/07 TM7T: Chausey Islands (EU-039) 1143
26/04-02/05 YE8B: Banggai Islands (OC-208) 1139
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29/04-04/05 IA5A: Isola del Giglio (EU-028) 1143
29/04-06/05 TS8TI: Djerba Island (AF-083) 1137

29/04-05/05 V6H and V6S: Pohnpei (OC-010) 1143
April RV3EFH/0: Bolshevik Island (AS-042) 1139
April ST2SF: Sudan 1131
01/05-03/05 9M2SE: Pulau Perhentian Besar (AS-073) 1146
01/05-07/05 9M2/SP5APW: Pulau Perhentian Besar (AS-073) 1143
01/05-31/05 GB75FOC: special event callsign 1143
02/05-06/05 YN/IK2PFL: Nicaragua 1146
03/05-10/05 SU8N: Nelson's Island (AF-109) 1139
03/05-18/05 TM35KOP: special callsign (France) 1143
03/05-12/05 VK9NT: Norfolk Island (OC-005) 1135
04/05-31/05 PA75FOC: special callsign 1145
05/05-22/05 A35JP: Tongatapu (OC-049) 1145
10/05-16/05 GS3PYE/p: Isle of Mull (EU-008) 1141
10/05-20/05 SX5KL: Kalolimnos (EU-001) 1146
11/05-12/05 TO1PF: Reunion Island (AF-016) 1137
12/05-20/05 CT9/IW2NXD and CT9/IK2ZJR: Madeira (AF-014) 1145
13/05-20/05 SV9/IK4ALM and SV9/IZ4WJA: Crete (EU-015) 1146
16/05-30/05 SZ8S: Samos Island (EU-049) 1145
17/05-21/05 OZ1RDP: Romo Island (EU-125) 1141
18/05-05/06 9H3E, 9H3JN, 9H3MS, 9H3MV, 9H3ON: Malta (EU-023) 1146
18/05-05/06 9H3S, 9H3YM, 9H25: Malta (EU-023) 1146
22/05-28/05 YN2GY: Nicaragua 1145
23/05-05/06 SW8WW: Thassos Island (EU-174) 1146
May RV3EFH/0: Bolshevik Island (AS-042) 1139
May VU7KV: Lakshadweep Islands (AS-011) 1146
May ZS8C and ZS8Z: Marion Island (AF-021) 1145
01/06-04/06 H44: New Georgia (OC-149) 1142
06/06-08/06 H44: Russell Islands (OC-168) 1142
10/06-13/06 H44: Florida Islands (OC-158) 1142
17/06-24/06 H44: Stewart Island (OC-285) 1142
June RV3EFH/0: Bolshevik Island (AS-042) 1139
01/07-07/07 H40: Nendo Island (OC-100) 1142
01/07-31/07 TC150RC: special callsign 1133
09/07-12/07 H40: Vanikolo/Utupua (OC-163) 1142
09/07-10/08 V47JA and V47HAM: St. Kitts (NA-104) 1143
14/07-16/07 H40: Reef Islands (OC-065) 1142
24/07-31/07 TM2BI: Belle-Ile-en-Mer (EU-048) 1137
July RV3EFH/0: Bolshevik Island (AS-042) 1139
02/08-09/08 MJ/OT9Z: Jersey (EU-013) 1145
03/08-04/08 TO1PF: Reunion Island (AF-016) 1137
August RV3EFH/0: Bolshevik Island (AS-042) 1139
06/09-16/09 XW: Laos * by 9M6DXX and others 1145
September RV3EFH/0: Bolshevik Island (AS-042) 1139
01/10-11/10 CY0P: Sable Island (NA-063) 1143
03/10-17/10 FH: Mayotte (AF-027) * by I2YSB and others 1143
October K9W: Wake Island (OC-053) 1141
October RV3EFH/0: Bolshevik Island (AS-042) 1139
06/11-17/11 T33A: Banaba Island (OC-018) 1143
Jan-Feb 2014 FT5ZM: Amsterdam Island (AF-002) 1145

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21135. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-20 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21135

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:Issued: 2013 Apr 20 1246 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30420
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 20 Apr 2013, 1219UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 20 Apr 2013 until 22 Apr 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >= 50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 20 Apr 2013 10CM FLUX: 100 / AP: 005
PREDICTIONS FOR 21 Apr 2013 10CM FLUX: 103 / AP: 006
PREDICTIONS FOR 22 Apr 2013 10CM FLUX: 105 / AP: 004
COMMENT: The flaring activity during past 24 hours was of the low
C-class level and all the C-class flares originated from the newly
emerged and fast developing Catania sunspot group 51 (NOAA AR 1726). The
flaring activity at the C-class level is probable in particular from the
newly emerged Catania sunspot groups 51 and 52 (NOAA AR 1726 and NOAA AR
1727) and Catania sunspot group 46 (NOAA AR 1723). M-class flares are
possible but unlikely. The solar wind speed slightly increased and now
amounts about 340 km/s. The interplanetary magnetic field magnitude is
about 6 nT. The Bz component of the interplanetary magnetic field is
fluctuating with the intervals of its negative value (up to - 4 nT). The
geomagnetic conditions are quiet and expected to remain so.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 063, BASED ON 15 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 19 Apr 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 092
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 099
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : ///
AK WINGST : 002
ESTIMATED AP : 002
ESTIMATED ISN : 058, BASED ON 25 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
END
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21136. Antenna issue-really puzzling me

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-20 21:25:15 UTC
From: af5cc
Topic: 21136 Message: 21136

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Here is my antenna system-105 feet or so of copper wire, attached to Radio Shack 300 ohm twinlead, about 20 feet or so of that. The twinlead runs to a 4:1 voltage balun, which transitions to RG-11 75ohm coax, which then runs to the shack. I then use a MFJ949D manual antenna tuner.

About a year ago I noticed the receive level in my Icom 706 was starting to dropping down, first on 12m, and later on on some other bands, and coming back after you click the mic or key putting the rig into transmit. That first suggested to me that it might be a relay problem, specifically on the low pass filter board since it wasn't happening on all bands. I did go through and try to test things in the antenna system after a friend say he had had a similar problem once with a connector going bad in the feedline. I tested the coax jumpers, low pass filter, tuner, and they all looked ok.

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Tried hooking the 6m antenna straight up to the rig and didn't witness the receive level dropping at all. That tells me it must be something in the antenna system. Given this system, where is the problem likely to be-and more importantly, why would it occur on some bands and not others. It happened mainly on 12m and 15m, and was starting to happen more on 17m and 30m. I never saw it occur on 10m or 20m, and only very rarely on 40m.

Anyone have an idea as to what might be going on?

73 John AF5CC

21137. Re: [DX-IS] Antenna issue-really puzzling me

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-20 21:47:13 UTC
From: Pete Smith N4ZR
Topic: 21136 Message: 21137

John, what is the configuration of your 105 feet of wire - a Windom or OCF dipole? My best bet would be either your balun or something in the antenna tuner, followed by a connector problem somewhere. I would try removing thebalun and the tuner from the circuit, one at a time - don't worry seriously about matching for this purpose.

The best repository of good info and smart people about antennas and towers and feedlines and everything in between is towertalk@... - a great reflector, one of the oldest out there.

73, Pete N4ZR
Check out the Reverse Beacon Network at
http://reversebeacon.net,
blog at reversebeacon.blogspot.com.
For spots, please go to your favorite
ARC V6 or VE7CC DX cluster node.

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21138. Re: [DX-IS] Antenna issue-really puzzling me

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-20 22:25:53 UTC
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy (K5MWH)
Topic: 21136 Message: 21138

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21139. Re: [DX-IS] Antenna issue-really puzzling me

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-20 22:32:51 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 21136 Message: 21139

On 4/20/2013 7:25 PM, Mike(W5UC) & Kathy (K5MWH) wrote:
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That's what I was going to suggest. I will add that (a) the
problem will be at the highest and hardest to get at place to fix, and
(b) when you have the time to do it, it will rain! <G>

How do I know this? Just went through it with a 40M dipole. It's
the law of erratic antennas!

73, Paul VE1DX

21140. Re: [DX-IS] Antenna issue-really puzzling me

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-20 23:15:21 UTC
From: John
Topic: 21136 Message: 21140

Hi Pete,

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On Sat, Apr 20, 2013 at 4:47 PM, Pete Smith N4ZR <n4zr@...> wrote:

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21141. Re: [DX-IS] Antenna issue-really puzzling me

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-20 23:16:56 UTC
From: John
Topic: 21136 Message: 21141

Hi Mike,

Already tried that. It seems ok with the 6m yagi attached to it. Why would this problem show up on some bands and not the other? I would think it would be the same on all bands, but it isn't

73 John AF5CC

On Sat, Apr 20, 2013 at 5:25 PM, Mike(W5UC) & Kathy (K5MWH) <w5uc@suddenlink.net> wrote:

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21142. Re: [DX-IS] Antenna issue-really puzzling me

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-20 23:23:42 UTC
From: John Kuklewicz N7ZN
Topic: 21136 Message: 21142

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Probably want to check the feedline to antenna connections.

73; John N7ZN

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21143. Re: [DX-IS] Antenna issue-really puzzling me

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-20 23:26:53 UTC
From: John
Topic: 21136 Message: 21143

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21144. RE: [DX-IS] Antenna issue-really puzzling me

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-21 00:04:21 UTC
From: KQ8M
Topic: 21136 Message: 21144

It happens because RF is not logical. It does whatever it wants. Plus impedance changes with frequency so it can happen at one
frequency and not another.

73,

Tim Herrick, KQ8M

Charter Member North Coast Contesters

kq8m@...

AR-Cluster V6 kq8m.no-ip.org

User Ports: 23, 7373 with local skimmer, 7374 without local skimmer

Server Ports: V6 3607, V4 Active 3605, V4 Passive 3606

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of John
Sent: Saturday, April 20, 2013 7:27 PM
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Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Antenna issue-really puzzling me

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-21 00:16:47 UTC
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy (K5MWH)
Topic: 21136 Message: 21145

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John, do you have access to a MFJ-259 or a MFJ-259B antenna meter? It
would be interesting to see what that antenna looks like with that piece
of test equipment.

73,
Mike, W5UC

21146. Re: [DX-IS] Antenna issue-really puzzling me

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-21 01:49:25 UTC
From: John G.
Topic: 21136 Message: 21146

No, don't have an antenna analyzer. Won one a couple of years ago at the Oklahoma City hamfest but immediately sold it to someone there.

73 John AF5CC

----- Original Message -----
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy (K5MWH)
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Sunday, April 21, 2013 12:16 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Antenna issue-really puzzling me

On 4/20/2013 4:25 PM, af5cc wrote:

This is DX related in that it involves my antenna, which allows me to work DX, and you can reply to me off the list if you like also to keep the reflector from getting too far off topic. I am hoping I can rely on the collective wisdom of list members who know far more than I do about antennas and electronics.

John, do you have access to a MFJ-259 or a MFJ-259B antenna meter? It would be interesting to see what that antenna looks like with that piece of test equipment.

73,
Mike, W5UC

21147. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-21 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21147

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:Issued: 2013 Apr 21 1257 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30421
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 21 Apr 2013, 1248UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 21 Apr 2013 until 23 Apr 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >= 50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 21 Apr 2013 10CM FLUX: 107 / AP: 003
PREDICTIONS FOR 22 Apr 2013 10CM FLUX: 108 / AP: 006
PREDICTIONS FOR 23 Apr 2013 10CM FLUX: 106 / AP: 007
COMMENT: Seven sunspot groups were reported by Catania today. During
past 24 hours fifteen low C-class flares were reported and they all
originated from the Catania sunspot group 51 (NOAA AR 1726). This fast
growing sunspot group has at the moment beta-gama configuration of its
photosperic magnetic field and we expect that it will produce more
C-class flares and also possibly M-class flares. The interplanetary
magnetic field magnitude is about 7 nT. The Earth is currently under the
influence of a slow solar wind with the speed of about 270 km/s. The
low-latitude coronal hole in the southern hemisphere has reached the
central meridian and we expect arrival of the fast solar wind late on
April 24. We expect quiet to possibly active geomagnetic conditions in
the next 48 hours.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 061, BASED ON 08 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 20 Apr 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 105
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 007
AK WINGST : 003
ESTIMATED AP : 003
ESTIMATED ISN : 059, BASED ON 24 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
END
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21148. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1109

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-21 19:36:44 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 21148 Message: 21148

SB DX @ WW < KB8NW $OPDX.1109
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The Ohio/Penn DX PacketCluster
DX Bulletin No. 1109
BID: $OPDX.1109
April 22, 2013
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

Thanks to the Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society, Northern Ohio DX Association, Ohio/Penn PacketCluster Network, AB5K & the AR TelNet Clusters Network, K1XN & GoList, NJ1Q & W1AW, WB2YIP, NG3K & ADXO, W3UR & The Daily DX, N4AA & QRZ DX, N4JF, KH6BZF, N6PSE, K8GI, K8JP, K8YSE, W8GEX & 60m News, W9ILY, AT International, DK8JB & The DX News Letter, DL1SBF, DxCoffee.com, DX-World.Net, F5NQL, F6AJA & Les Nouvelles DX, HA0HW, I1JQJ/IK1ADH & 425 DX News, I2MQP & DX Italia News, IK7JWX, OE1WHC, OZ6OM & 50 MHz DX News, Pete's DX-Newsdesk, PY3DF, RSGB IOTA Web Site, Sixitalia Weekly, TA1HZ, VA3RJ & ICPO, VE1BVD and the VHF-DX-Portal (MMMonVHF) for the following DX information.

DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 14th-April, through Sunday, 21st-April there were 226 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4W, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5U, 5V, 5W, 5Z, 6Y, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9U, 9V, 9X, 9Y, A2, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C2, C3, C5, C6, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FH, FK, FM, FO, FR, FW, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J6, J7, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JX, JY, K, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ7, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S2, S5, S7, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T2, T5, T7, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TR, TT, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V3, V4, V5, V6, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK9C, VK9L, VP2E, VP2V, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, Z8, ZA, ZB, ZD7, ZF, ZK3, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

5B, CYPRUS. Tony, RT9T, will once again be active as 5B4ALB from Cyprus between May 15-28th. Bands and modes of activity were not provided. QSL via RT9T direct only.

5B & ZC4, CYPRUS AND THE UK SOV. BASES AREAS ON CYPRUS. Steve, G0SGB, will be active as 5B/G0SGB/p from Cyprus (AS-004, MIA MCI-002, WLOTA 0051) and as ZC4BS from the UK Sov. Bases AREAS on Cyprus (AS-004, MIA MCI-002, WLOTA 0892) between April 22-28th. Activity will be on all HF bands using mainly SSB and CW. QSL both callsigns via G0SGB, direct only with SAE. NO eQSL!

5U, NIGER. Pierre, HB9AMO, will be active as 5U9AMO from Niger between April 20th and May 30th. Activity will be holiday style on 80-10 meters CW using a TS-50 and a low hanging long wire. QSL via M0URX. Log will be uploaded to LoTW and ClubLog. For more details, updates and a log search, visit Pierre's Web page at: http://www.hb9amo.net

6V7, SENEGAL. Luc, F5RAV, will once again be active as 6V7T from Le Calao Resort, La Somome, between April 26th and May 5th. He will be operating from Jean-Francois, 6W7RV, QTH. Activity will probably be the same as last time -- on SSB and PSK31, and on 160-10 meters (including 17 and 12m with a dipole only). He will also participate in the Helvetia Contest (April 27-28th). QSL via only direct to his home callsign. See details on QRZ.com. Also, visit his BLOG page at: http://f5rav.free.fr

A7, QATAR. You only have a few more days to work Tomas, VK2CCC (LY1F), as A71A from the QARS club station in Qatar until April 25th. Activity is most evenings, but limited to a couple of hours in the evenings as it has to be in presence and under the supervision of a QARS member. QSL via A71A (see QRZ.com).

C9, MOZAMBIQUE. "DX-World.net" is reporting (edited): "During last night's (Friday) Top Band dinner at Visalia, it was announced that a large DX-pedition to C9 Mozambique ☐ with emphasis on the low bands ☐ will take place mid-October. More info in due course."

D4, CAPE VERDE. Harald, DF2WO, will once again be active as D44TWO from Leeward Islands [aka Sotavento] (AF-005) between June 3-20th. Activity will be holiday style on the HF bands. He usually has a Kenwood TS-50 and is running 80 watts using CW and SSB on all bands, except on 160/80 meters. QSL via M0OXO.

DXCC (At Dayton Hamvention 2013). Bill Moore, NC1L, reports [edited], "The 2013 Dayton Hamvention is rapidly approaching and once again ARRL Awards staff will be on hand to check applications not only for DXCC, but all ARRL awards: DXCC, WAS, VUCC, WAC and Extra Class Certificate. While we will be there all weekend we suggest that you not wait until Sunday to have your application checked."
A detailed PDF file is available to help guide you through the card checking process so that everything proceeds smoothly at:
http://www.arrl.org/files/file/DXCC/2103_Dayton.pdf
If, after reviewing the PDF file and you have questions, send an E-mail to Bill Moore, NC1L, at: bmoore@arrl.org

FT5Z, AMSTERDAM ISLAND (Tentative Schedule for FT5ZM). Stan, SQ8X, posted the following on the FT5XM Web page <http://www.amsterdamdx.org> on April 19th [edited]: "The MV Braveheart will arrive in the port of Fremantle,

Australia, on January 12, 2014, and be available for the team to board. Fuel and supplies will be taken aboard and port documentation procedures completed. The vessel will sail for Amsterdam Island on January 15, 2014. The sailing time to Amsterdam Island will be 9 days with an estimated arrival date of January 24th.
Landing operations will commence as soon as the sea conditions and weather allow. Once the team is ashore, they will have 18 days to set up, conduct the DXpedition, and tear down for departure.
The return sail to Fremantle is also estimated at 9 days. The team anticipates being back in Fremantle by February 23, 2014."

GB7, ENGLAND (Special Event). Bill Cross, G0ELZ, Chairman of the Marine Museum Society, Wallasey, UK, and David Oakden G3UFO, have announced that special event callsigns GB70BOA and GB70WA will be on the air between May 20-27th. The event will be hosted by the Marine Radio Museum Society (Wallasey) [resident callsign GB4FPR], at Fort Perch Rock New Brigfhton. Members of the Wirral and District Amateur Radio Club (WADARC), the Chester & District Amateur Radio Society (CADARS) and the Tall Trees Contest Group [G5D] (based in Cheshire) will activate GB70BOA from Fort Perch Rock at the Mersey entrance and GB70WA from the Leasowe Lighthouse. The activity is to commemorate the 70th anniversary of the Battle of the Atlantic. Approximately 2,800 merchant ships were lost during this battle and 30,000 merchant seamen lost their lives. Similarly, 30,000 Allied Naval and Air Force personnel and 30,000 Kriegsmarine sailors also lost their lives. These numbers vary according to whose history of WW2 you read, and the above numbers are a rough average. Operations will take place on all band 80-10 meters, as well as VHF/UHF operations on 144 and 432 MHz on all modes. This event is especially important to Liverpool and other Merseyside hams because the battle was commanded from the Western Approaches command and is now a premiere WW II museum in Liverpool. Operators are hoping to make over 2800 contacts during this period. A special QSL card is being produced in commemoration. More details can be found on QRZ.com as well as: http://www.clanlinereunion.co.uk/BA70-page10.html
GB70BOA and GB70WA are part of the official recognition of this event.

HI7, DOMINICAN REPUBLIC. Ronny, ON4ARV, will once again be active as HI7/OT4R from Punta-Cana, Dominican Republic (NA-096, WLOTA 2974, WW Loc. FK58TN), between May 10th and June 1st. Activity will be on 20/15/10 meters on SSB and PSK, between 2000-2200z every day. Suggested frequencies are: 14266, 21226 and 28450 kHz. QSL only via LoTW and eQSL. More info is available on his Web site at: http://www.OT4R.net

INTREPID-SPIRIT AWARD (Press Release). "IDXC 2013, Visalia, California - April 20th, 2013 - Tonight, the Intrepid-DX Group is very proud to present our 'Intrepid Spirit Award' to a notable DXer and DXpeditioner that we have come to respect and admire greatly, Mr. Silvano Borsa-I2YSB. This award is to recognize Silvano□s outstanding efforts to activate Somalia on three different activations, as well as Chad and most recently Burkina Faso.
We acknowledge Silvano□s pursuit of Dxpedition excellence and his quest to activate the rare and often dangerous entities. It is for these reasons

that we honor him tonight with our Intrepid Spirit Award.
This 'Intrepid-Spirit Award' is made in memory of our fallen friend
and member, James McLaughlin, T6AF who was killed in Kabul, Afghanistan
just two years ago this month.
Thank you,
Paul S. Ewing
President, The Intrepid-DX Group"

IOTA NEWS.............
EU-038. Wim, PA0WRS, will be active as homecall/p from Ameland Island (WLOTA 1059) between now and April 26th. Activity will be on all modes and the HF bands, propagation permitting. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

EU-174. Laci, HA0HW, will once again be active from Thassos Island (GIOTA NAS-037, MIA MG-124, WLOTA LH-4186, QRA KN20HS), but this time as SW8WW (ex-J48HW) between May 23rd and June 5th. He will operate mainly CW, with some SSB and RTTY, on the HF bands (usually on 40/30/20/17 meters) and on 6 meters. He will enter the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 25-26th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. His rigs are usually a FT-840 with a MOS-FET amplifier (300-400 watts) and an IC-706 (for 6m only). Antennas are a monoband Gps and dipoles on fishing poles. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the HA Bureau.

NA-067. Eric, W4OTN, will be active as homecall/p from Hatteras Island (USI NC005S, WLOTA 3913, Dare County, NC) between August 4-10th. Activity will be holiday style on the higher HF bands (20-10m). QSL via his home callsign, by the Bureau or direct.

NA-091. Operators Heinz/VA7AQ and Mike/VE7ACN will be active as homecall/p from Gambier Island (CISA BC031) between April 25-29th. Activity will be on all HF bands using CW and SSB. QSL via their home callsigns, direct or by the Bureau.

SA-027. Fabio, PP5BZ, will be active as PQ5M from Sao Francisco do Sul Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th) as Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via PP5BZ.

SA-060. Operators Renato/PY8WW, Ewerton/PY8AA, Fernando/PU8WZT, Ronaldo/PS8RV, Pedro/PR8ZX and Gabriel/PU8RGV will be active as PX8Z from Cotijuba Island (DIB PA-14, WLOTA 2855) between July 26-28th. Activity coincides with the RSGB IOTA Contest weekend. QSL via PY8WW.

JD1, OGASAWARA. Just a reminder that Harry, JG7PSJ, will once again be active as JD1BMH from Chichijima Island (AS-031) between April 22nd and May 4th. Activity will be on 40-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via the Bureau to JD1BMH or direct to JG7PSJ. Visit his Web page for more details at: http://jd1bmh.zxq.net

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (April 22-28th)....
Apr/22nd AN Apr/25th LN-HN Apr/27th AN
Apr/23rd HN-LN Apr/26th LN-HN Apr/28th AN
Apr/24th HN

SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS/INDEXES AND GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE
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NORMALITY	GEOMAG K Values	Alpha
AN - Above Normal	Quiet K=0-1	0-7
HN - High Normal	Unsettled K=2	8-15
LN - Low Normal	Active K=3	16-29
BN - Below Normal	Minor Storm K=4	30-49
DIS - Disturbed	Major Storm K=5	50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed	Severe Storm K=6-9	100-400

OJ0, MARKET REEF. Operators Jean-Pierre/ON5JT, Michel/ON6QO, Koen/ON4CCP, Philippe/ON4LEM and Peter/ON8VP will be active as OJ0V from Market Reef (EU-053) between July 1-6th. Activity will be on the HF bands using CW and SSB. On request of a lot of hams worldwide, they will also be active on the Digital modes (RTTY or PSK). QSL via ON4CCP.

P5, NORTH KOREA PRESS RELEASE (Announcing the P5 Project - IDXC 2013 Convention in Visalia, April 20th, 2013), received from Paul, N6PSE:
"P5, North Korea is the most wanted DXCC entity world-wide.
Today, the Intrepid-DX Group, in partnership with the World-Wide DX Group, is announcing our sustained and ongoing effort to activate North Korea.
For the past four years, we have been working with professionals in the business and tourism industries who are actively doing business in North Korea. We are leveraging their ideas and contacts towards our goal of a major Dxpedition over a four week period from within the DPRK. We are using the same techniques that were successful in opening up Kurdistan (Northern Iraq) South Sudan and Yemen to Dxpedition activity.
We have prepared a comprehensive, multi-faceted proposal, and we have delivered it to the DPRK officials via our Chinese emissary. Several members of our leadership and advisory team have made multiple visits to the DPRK and are advising us accordingly. We are making further plans to visit the DPRK in the coming months to further bolster our business contacts and to research and assess various venues.
We expect this ongoing project to require a sustained effort. We are committed to work as hard and as long as it takes to activate this rare and much needed entity. We will continue negotiating and flying into and out of the DPRK as needed during this process to lay the groundwork and to build the trust to ensure that a favorable outcome can be created. We want the DX community to be aware and to understand that a sustained effort is being made to activate this rare and important entity.

Thank you,
N6PSE AH6HY YT1AD K3LP -- The Intrepid-DX Group"

ADDED NOTE: The Intrepid-DX Group has set up a Web page which is still
under construction at: http://www.intrepid-dx.com/p5/index.php

PJ2, CURACAO. Wim, ON6DX, will be active as PJ2/ON6DX from Curacao (SA-099,
WLOTA 0942) between June 28th and July 7th. Activity will be holiday style
on 40-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. Wim will play special attention on:
- 50 MHz CW/SSB/RTTY (keep in touch with ON4KST chat)
- JA & Asia: 28/24/21 Mhz RTTY/SSB/CW
For a list of suggested frequencies, see the Web page below. QSL via his
home callsign, by the Bureau or direct. Log will be uploaded to LoTW and
eQSL. For more info, see his Web site at:
http://dxpedition.be/PJ2-ON6DX.html

PRESS RELEASE (Amateur Radio in Greece). Wolf Harranth, OE1WHC, from the
Amateur Radio Section of ORF (Austrian Broadcasting Corporation) and the
Documentary Archives Radio Communications/QSL Collection, has informed
OPDX that "The dawn of Amateur Radio in the U.K. and Greece" by Norman
F. Joly (G3FNJ) was published, in 1990, and still is the standard reference
of this period. The Vienna-based Documentary Archive has just published
the chapters relating to the history of Amateur radio in Greece, with the
author's kind permission from his personal copy which contains some
corrections and amendments to the printed version, and with additional
material from the Archive□s files. To read it, visit:
http://www.dokufunk.org/joly
(A German version is available via www.dokufunk.org(joly-d)

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (For April 21st)

4A8DMR via N7RO FK/VK6DXI via VK6DXI PB33Q via PA7DA
4J20RO via 4J6RO GB2SJ via G-Bureau PQ9M via PY9MM
4Z65AB via 4Z5AB GB2VEF via GM4UYZ PW2F via PY2NA
4Z65TT via 4Z5TT GB4MHS via G4FON R27VLG via RZ4AG
7S55S via SM6EGJ GB4RPI via M1EDF R40AST via UA6GG
9G5EME via PA3CEE GB100TMD via M0PNN RA27DX via R1DX
A60WARD via IZ8CLM HB0/ON4WRC via ON4ON RA27WC via RA4WC
AO1IMD via EA1BTO HB0/PA3CNO via PE1FLO RU27AR via UA1OJL
BW2/JP1RIW via BM2JCC HB0/PA3HK via PE1FLO SK88WARD via SM-Bureau
CN2SS via EA2SS HB9WARD via HB9JOE SV3/ON4LO/P via ON4LO
CO2WF via N1KI HF3T via SP3FYX TC47A via TA1HZ
CP6XE via IK6SNR (d) HF5D via SP5PPA TC57A via TA1HZ
CR5IARU via CT1REP HF80JATA via SQ8JCB TM8BIRD via F5INJ
CS250CLE via CS5RPT HF2013TATO via SP3YAC UP44WFF via UN6QC (d)
CW1GM via CX2ABC HG3ZOMBA via HA3KNA UP50ASTR via EA7FTR
DM50IOTA via DL2VFR HV50VR via I0JBL V47GIW via W4GIW (d/L)
EA/PA0JPL via PA0JPL LG5LG via LA4EKA V73AY via BD4DYH
EA5HJY via EA7HBC OG1X via OH1XX VE4GV/KH6 via VE4GV
EA6/I1RSA via I1RSA OM20TUSR via OM3RP VK9/OH1VR via OH1VR
EH7FDS via EA7URS OV1CDX via OZ1GML (d) YP20ARER via YO6CUF
EH8WDX via EA8ED OZ/PA7PA via PA7PA ZP6CW via ZP6CU
EX8NR via RW6HS (d) P29FR via I2RFJ

(e) eQSL only (d) direct only (B) Bureau only (L) LoTW only

H44KW QSL STATUS. Phil, G3SWH, reports on April 15th: "Today, I have mailed replies to all of the direct OQRS QSL requests received. I will now start working on the direct snail mail requests and expect these to be in the mail within the next two weeks or so."

LoTW NEWS. The ARRL LoTW Web site is reporting that an ARRL LoTW Study Committee has been formed. It states, "In January 2013, the ARRL Board of Directors chartered a committee to review and make recommendations about Logbook of the World. This committee held its first meeting on April 12th and formed three sub-groups to study and report on:
1) current Logbook costs and resources
2) technical review of Logbook reliability and scalability
3) development of support scenarios and requirements
The committee will report to the Board at its next meeting in July."

NEW QSL ROUTE. Phil, VE1BVD, informs OPDX that effective immediately he will be Alan's, VE1AL, QSL Manager. He intends to leave his LoTW account active for the immediate future but will attempt to answer any incoming Bureau or direct cards. Phil's mailing address is correct on QRZ.com or any callbook.

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 9M6XRO, ED5T, FG/G6ITD, JA2VHO, JA7BME, JH1FNU, JH1OES, JH3CUL, JJ2LPV, LU6DU, TF2CL and UA1OIZ

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 5M2TT, 5V7TT, 6Y3M, 7Z7AB, 9U4U, HI8W, HK0/F6BFH, HT9H, KC4AAA, PT0S, PY0F/PP1CZ, S21XV, SV5BYR, T46RRC, T47RRC, T48RRC, V73TS, VK0JJJ, XT2TT and XW0ZJZ

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: NONE REPORTED THIS WEEK!

T42, CUBA. Cuban operators will activate the special callsign T42T from Cuba (NA-015, WLOTA 0032) during the 47th A. Volta RTTY Contest (May 11-12th. Operators mentioned are Lazaro/CO2WL, Gustavo/CO2NO and Rene/CO2RVA. QSL via HA3JB.

T6, AFGHANISTAN. Jesse, KB2OBQ will once again be active as T6JP from Panjwai in the Kandahar Province starting May 15th through August 2014. Activity will be on 160-10 meters (mostly 40/20/10m) using 100 watts, on CW and SSB. Logs will be uploaded daily (if possible) to LoTW, eQSL, QRZ.com. For more details, see QRZ.com (under T6JP).

T6, AFGHANISTAN. Tim, KB2RLB (ex-DA2TF and YI9RLB), is currently operating in Afghanistan as T6TM from a military base near Kabul. He states on QRZ.com, "Licensed in 1994, I am mainly into HF (SSB/Digital) and will be working on learning more digital modes. I am interested in EMCOMMS and completed Level I of the ARRL EMCOMM Course. I retired in 2007 after 21 years of service with the US Army. I am currently living and working in Afghanistan as a communications advisor." QSL via KB2RLB.
ADDED NOTE: Mike has informed OPDX that he will be there until April 25th, but is expecting to return within 2 months (not yet planned). Activity will be on 20 and 10 meters SSB using 80 watts and dipoles

at 25ft.

TC57, TURKEY (Special Event). Members of the Turkish group called TCSWAT (Special Wireless Activity Team) will once again activate special event station TC57A from the battlefields of Gallipoli/Gelibolu. First activated as TC57ALAY in 2007, the special event/commemorative station for the 57th Regiment Martyrs is active every year at the end of April as TC57A. Metin, TA1ED, and a team operators will arrive at the Kocacimen Hill on April 19th, and will be on the air on all HF bands using CW and SSB. They will also try 2m contacts. QSL via TA1HZ at: POB 73, Karakoy, 34421 Istanbul, TURKEY (or by the Bureau). Visit the TCSWAT Web page at: http://www.tcswat.org

TS8, TUNISIA (Update/Operators/QSL Routes). An Italian group, along with the Association des Radio Amateurs Tunisiens (ARAT) and the Engineering University of Gabes, are planning a second IOTA DXpedition to Djerba Island (AF-083, WW. Loc. JM53KT, WFF 3VFF-007, WLOTA L-1394 and ARLHS TUN-022), as TS8TI between April 29th and May 6th. Activity will be on all HF bands, including the 30/17/12/6 meter bands using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31/63/125 modes. Operators mentioned are Ashraf/KF5EYY, 3V8SA (ARCS of Tunisian Scout), 3V8ST (ARC of Tunis), 3V8ESG (Department of Communications and Networking National Engeneering School of Gabès), 3V8SF (Scout Radio Club of Sfax), Leopoldo/I8LWL, Fred/IK7JWX (Team Leader), Antonello/IK2DUW, Ampelio/IS0AGY, Rosy/IW2NLC (YL), Stefano/ IK6JRI, Vincenzo/IZ8LFI, Heathem/YI1UNH. QSL route is as follows:
1) For Italian stations via IK7JWX, direct or by the Bureau.
2) Outside Italy via IK2DUW, direct or by the Bureau.
3) Free internal QSL service available for all MDXC Members.
The Mediterraneo DX Club (MDXC) is a sponsor of TS8TI.
Logs will be available on LoTW, as well as:
http://www.mdxc.org/ts8ti/log-on-line
http://www.ik2duw.it
http://www.enzolog.org
The team is still in need of sponsors and individual contributions.
Contact: ik7jwx2003@...
For more info updates and pictures, watch the following Web pages:
http://www.qrz.com/db/ts8ti
http://www.mdxc.org/ts8ti/photo-album
http://www.ik2duw.it

UA0, ASIATIC RUSSIA. Vlado, UA0LCZ (ex-RI0NZ), will be active as UA0LCZ/0 from the rare Kamchatka (Land of Volcanos) between May 15-21st. Activity will be on 80-10 meters CW. QSL via his home callsign.

V2, ANTIGUA. Paul, KB4GYT, will be active as V25PM from Falmouth Harbor, Antigua (NA-100, WLOTA 1118), between April 27th and May 4th. Activity will be holiday style and sporadic. Operations will be mainly CW, but he plans on operating some SSB and PSK31. Paul will be using his Elecraft KX3 with 10 watts or less using various wire antennas strung above the swimming pool. QSL via KB4GYT, direct only (QRZ.com).

V3, BELIZE. In celebration of the 75th anniversary of the "First Class CW Operators' Club" (FOC), Belize operator Joe "Palooka", V31JP (aka K8JP), will be operating with a special callsign V3FOC during the month of May. QSL via V31JP. Note: there is no "1" after the call. Also, see: http://www.qrz.com/db/V3FOC

VU7, LACCADIVES ISLANDS (Lakshadweep Islands). Krish, W4VKU/VU2VKU, reports on QRZ.com: "Received permission from the Ministry of Communications, Govt of India to operate Amateur radio from Kavaratti, Laccadive Islands from Apr 23 to May 5th, 2013. The VU7 permission arrived a bit too late and plans are already firm to activate 8Q7KP from April 23rd to April 30th. Unfortunately, getting to the VU7 island has become a challenge due to the non availabilty of seats via the overnight ship. There is just one expensive alternative, and I am looking into the logistics involved. The plan is for SSB and some RTTY on 10-80m with a TS-480Sat and TenTec Hercules 2 amp using a Butternut HF9V and a 2ele steppir yagi + 30/40m trombone. Basically the same equipment in use at 8Q7KP.
Hope to monitor the cluster and possibly with realtime logging via Clublogs and the last 10 QSO's displayed right here on QRZ.com. Keeping fingers crossed and hope we will be able to work through all the logistic hoops to activate VU7KV..... 73s de Krish, W4VKU, VU2VKU"

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21149. Software available for visualizing propagation using RBN

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-22 01:19:00 UTC
From: Rick Kiessig
Topic: 21149 Message: 21149

I've been working on some software over the last few months for visualizing *your* HF propagation using spots from the RBN, individual CW Skimmers, and cluster servers.

The software is called ViewProp. Basically, the way it works is this: You enter your call and lat/lon and the connection details for several Skimmers or clusters. ViewProp then determines which spots are coming *to or from* the area near you, plots them in real-time on a map provided by DxAtlas, and puts them in a sortable table. It also creates real-time charts that show which bands are open *for you* and how active they are. Would you like to know when each band is at its peak? Or when certain beam headings are most active? ViewProp can tell you. It also lets you view and optimize antenna pointing directions.

To run ViewProp, you will need DxAtlas (you can download a full-featured 30-day trial, if you don't already have it). If you have a qrz.com XML subscription, you can use it to enhance the accuracy with which ViewProp locates both spotters and spotted stations, but it is not absolutely necessary, particularly for a trial.

I use ViewProp every day myself, and have found it to be a useful planning tool for both DX and contesting. There's something very empowering about being able to instantly visualize current propagation that's based on measurements rather than simulations.

I've set up a simple 1-page Wiki with more details and a few screenshots: http://zl2ham.wikispaces.com/

The software (freeware) has been going through a limited beta for the last few months, and is now available for an open, public, beta. You can download it from the files section of the Yahoo discussion group, after joining at http://groups.yahoo.com/group/viewprop/

73, Rick ZL2HAM

21150. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-22 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21150

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:Issued: 2013 Apr 22 1055 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30422
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 22 Apr 2013, 1049UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 22 Apr 2013 until 24 Apr 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Active (M-class flares expected, probability >= 50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Active conditions expected (A>=20 or K=4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Warning condition
PREDICTIONS FOR 22 Apr 2013 10CM FLUX: 109 / AP: 005
PREDICTIONS FOR 23 Apr 2013 10CM FLUX: 109 / AP: 004
PREDICTIONS FOR 24 Apr 2013 10CM FLUX: 109 / AP: 020
COMMENT: A recurrent coronal hole will influence geomagnetic conditions
from April 24 onwards. In the last rotation, this coronal hole increased
the solar wind speed up to 550 km/s and resulted in minor storm
conditions (Kp=5). The CACTus CME detection software issued yesterday
two automated halo CME alerts but these are not Earth-directed. Flaring
conditions. NOAA AR 1726 keeps the potential for major flares although
its magnetic complexity has decreased in the past 24 hours: a parasitic
patch of opposite polarity has disappeared from the leading sunspot.
Still M-class flares are likely. Proton >10 MeV fluxes are enhanced
since yesterday 09:54 but not cross event thresholds. A warning
conditions for more proton flux enhancements has been issued.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 065, BASED ON 06 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 21 Apr 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 109
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 007
AK WINGST : 004
ESTIMATED AP : 003
ESTIMATED ISN : 064, BASED ON 17 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
END
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21151. I have seen the future - and it is COOL

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-23 10:12:12 UTC
From: Pete Smith N4ZR
Topic: 21151 Message: 21151

For those who may have missed it, ZL2HAM's ViewProp is now available free in a public beta test. Before you yawn and dismiss ViewProp as just another propagation program, hear me out. This thing is different!

All the propagation prediction programs we are used to - IONCAP, VOACAP and their cousins - are based on historical understanding of propagation. They make predictions based on solar parameters and their authors quite honestly explain that their results are monthly averages, rather than predictions that reflect what you can expect today or tomorrow.

ViewProp is something new. It bases its reporting on what is happening today, on paths between your QTH and locations of interest around the world. It does this by drawing on the Reverse Beacon Network's array of hundreds of Skimmers worldwideto keep track of what is being spotted by Skimmers in your vicinity, as well as what stations in your vicinity are being spotted anywhere else. The result is a dynamic portrait of propagation from your QTH to and from wherever in the world, which bands are open and how well.

In addition to showing you a map display of the paths being reported, and on what bands, ViewProp also charts the level of activity on different bands over the course of each day in a readily-understandable format. There's much more to it, too, as you can learn by reading the Wiki with more details and a few screenshots: http://zl2ham.wikispaces.com/

I believe this is the first truly revolutionary use of the capabilities of the RBN to promote understanding of *your* HF propagation. Try it, and tell us if you agree. The only thing that Rick asks is that you join the Viewprop Yahoo group at http://groups.yahoo.com/group/viewprop/, and then you can download the beta version from the group's Files section.

Try it, and tell him what you like, what you don't, and what you think should be added. I promise you, he is listening.

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73, Pete N4ZR
Check out the Reverse Beacon Network at
http://reversebeacon.net,
blog at reversebeacon.blogspot.com.
For spots, please go to your favorite
ARC V6 or VE7CC DX cluster node.

21152. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-23 14:01:03 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21152

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:Issued: 2013 Apr 23 1052 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30423
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 23 Apr 2013, 1040UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 23 Apr 2013 until 25 Apr 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Quiet conditions (<50% probability of C-class flares)
GEOMAGNETISM : Active conditions expected (A>=20 or K=4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Warning condition
PREDICTIONS FOR 23 Apr 2013 10CM FLUX: 115 / AP: 012
PREDICTIONS FOR 24 Apr 2013 10CM FLUX: 117 / AP: 020
PREDICTIONS FOR 25 Apr 2013 10CM FLUX: 117 / AP: 004
COMMENT: Enhanced geomagnetic conditions are expected as a result from
a high speed solar wind outflow from a recurrent coronal hole in the
Southern solar hemisphere. Meanwhile, the flaring potential of NOAA
active region 1726 is decreasing, yet major C-flares are still possible.
The proton flux levels are further decreasing and returning to
background levels.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 047, BASED ON 07 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 22 Apr 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 113
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 006
AK WINGST : 006
ESTIMATED AP : 004
ESTIMATED ISN : 063, BASED ON 19 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
22 1022 1029 1031 M1.0 III/3,V/3 1726
END
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21153. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-24 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21153

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:Issued: 2013 Apr 24 1153 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30424
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 24 Apr 2013, 1147UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 24 Apr 2013 until 26 Apr 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >= 50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 24 Apr 2013 10CM FLUX: 121 / AP: 022
PREDICTIONS FOR 25 Apr 2013 10CM FLUX: 124 / AP: 017
PREDICTIONS FOR 26 Apr 2013 10CM FLUX: 126 / AP: 007
COMMENT: Enhanced geomagnetic conditions are imminent as a result from
a high speed solar wind outflow from a recurrent coronal hole in the
Southern solar hemisphere. Meanwhile, the flaring potential of NOAA
active region 1726 is decreasing, yet major C-flares are still possible.

TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 062, BASED ON 20 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 23 Apr 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 118
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 016
AK WINGST : 008
ESTIMATED AP : 007
ESTIMATED ISN : 054, BASED ON 20 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
END
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21154. OT: Half inch Andrews Heliax LDF4-50A vs LMR-400

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-24 16:37:49 UTC
From: GARY HUBER
Topic: 21154 Message: 21154

As I consider the materials required to replace my 30 year old tower, rotor, antenna and cables, I have several like new runs on LDF4-50A terminated with N-male which could run from my ground window (UHF female) to the top of my 53 foot tower (60 feet max LDF4-50A cable run) where a flexible low-loss 10 foot jumper would terminate on a new BN-4000 and new TH-7 tribander. This configuration would require the 60 feet max LDF4-50A cable run, two half inch N female to UHF male adapters, one UHF double female and 10 feet of high quality RG8 cable as the jumper to the BN-4000.

The alternative which I'm leaning towards as it seems less likely to have connector/adapter loss and other potential problems is a single run of 75 feet of LMR-400 with factory terminated PL-259s between the BN-4000 and ground window UHF female termination. My current installation is 60 feet of RG-9913, a UHF double female adapter and a ten foot RG-8214 jumper.

I know the half inch Andrews Heliax has a much lower loss figure (0.357 db per 100 feet at 30MHz) for a given length versus the same length of LMR 400 (0.7 db per 100 feet at 30MHz) , but I'm thinking those three adapters (six connection points for loss) and their potential problems make it a wash or maybe the advantage goes to the 75 foot run of LMR-400.

I'd be interested in any comments or experiences you might have on the subject.

73 ES DX,
Gary -- AB9M

21155. Re: OT: Half inch Andrews Heliax LDF4-50A vs LMR-400

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-24 23:01:23 UTC
From: Steve Lybarger
Topic: 21154 Message: 21155

Gary

Although I have found some connectors with less than 1/10th of a dB loss, go with fewer connectors option. It is cleaner and lower chance of a problem, and, probably less overall loss than the heliax option. Avoid sharp bends in the coax.
Good luck and Good DX.
Steve, NU7T

21156. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-25 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21156

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:Issued: 2013 Apr 25 1244 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30425
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 25 Apr 2013, 1204UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 25 Apr 2013 until 27 Apr 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Warning condition (activity levels expected to increase, but no numeric
forecast given)
PREDICTIONS FOR 25 Apr 2013 10CM FLUX: 115 / AP: 005
PREDICTIONS FOR 26 Apr 2013 10CM FLUX: 114 / AP: 004
PREDICTIONS FOR 27 Apr 2013 10CM FLUX: 113 / AP: 004
COMMENT:NOAA AR 1726 remains very dynamic. As it rotates over the solar west limb in the
coming 24h, it could still produce a large flare before disappearing out of Earth view.
The solar wind speed is still increasing as a result of the influence of a recurrent
coronal hole. Nevertheless we expect that most of the resulting geomagnetic activity has
passed. Hence we predict quiet geomagnetic conditions. A halo CME was observed by
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 077, BASED ON 17 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 24 Apr 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 115
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 029
AK WINGST : 024
ESTIMATED AP : 023
ESTIMATED ISN : 064, BASED ON 24 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
END
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21157. ARLD017 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-25 22:32:33 UTC
From: jjreisert@...
Topic: 3649 Message: 21157

SB DX @ ARL $ARLD017
ARLD017 DX news

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QST de W1AW
DX Bulletin 17 ARLD017
>From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT April 25, 2013
To all radio amateurs

SB DX ARL ARLD017
ARLD017 DX news

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by 5T0JL, NC1L, QRZ DX, The Weekly DX, the OPDX Bulletin, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, DXNL, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

TUNISIA, 3V. A group of operators will be QRV as TS8TI from Djerba Island, IOTA AF-083, from April 29 to May 6. Activity will be on 160 to 6 meters, using CW, SSB, RTTY and various PSK modes. Italian stations QSL via IK7JWX and all others via IK2DUW.

ISRAEL, 4X. A group of operators will be QRV as 4X75FOC during the month of May in celebration of the 75th anniversary of the First Class CW Operators' Club. QSL via 4Z4KX.

CYPRUS, 5B. Gabriele, I2VGW is QRV as 5B4/I2VGW until May 2 from various locations along the coast of Cyprus. QSL to home call.

MAURITANIA, 5T. Jean, 5T0JL will be QRV as 5T1FOC from May 1 to 31 in celebration of the 75th anniversary of the First Class CW Operators' Club. QSL to home call.

NIGER, 5U. Pierre, HB9AMO is QRV as 5U9AMO until May 30. Activity is holiday style on 80 to 10 meters using CW. QSL via M0URX.

SENEGAL, 6V. Luc, F5RAV is QRV as 6V7T from Somone until May 5. Activity is on the HF bands using SSB and PSK. QSL direct to home call.

PHILIPPINES, DU. Victor, R6AF will be QRV as DU1/R6AF from Busuanga Island, IOTA OC-090, from April 27 to May 3. QSL to home call.

ENGLAND, G. Look for GB75FOC and M0RSE to be QRV during the month of May in celebration of the 75th anniversary of the First Class CW Operators' Club. QSL via operators' instructions.

OGASAWARA, JD1. Harry, JG7PSJ is QRV as JD1BMH from Chichijima Island, IOTA AS-031, until May 4. Activity is on 40 to 10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL to home call.

MARIANA ISLANDS, KH0. A group of operators will be QRV as NH0J from Tinian Island, IOTA OC-086, from April 27 to May 1. Activity will be on 80 to 10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via JJ2VLY.

LITHUANIA, LY. Special event station LY550W is QRV until May 20 in celebration of the 1463 expansion of the privileges of the city of Kaunas, led by Kazimieras Jogailaitis. QSL via LY5W.

LEBANON, OD. Walid, OD5ZZ has been QRV on 17 meters using SSB around 1530z. QSL via NI5DX.

GABON, TR. Thorbjorn, SM7RME is QRV as TR0A/p from Port Gentil, Mandji Island, IOTA AF-098, until April 29. QSL via SM7EHU.

ANTIGUA, V2. Paul, KB4GYT will be QRV as V25PM from Falmouth Harbor from April 27 to May 4. Activity will be holiday style on the HF bands using mainly CW with some SSB and PSK31. QSL direct to home call.

BELIZE, V3. Joe, K8JP will be QRV as V3FOC during the month of May in celebration of the 75th anniversary of the First Class CW Operators' Club. QSL via V31JP.

MICRONESIA, V6. Takio, JH3QFL and Keizo, JH3AZC will be QRV as V6H and V6S, respectively, from Pohnpei, IOTA OC-010, from April 29 to May 5. Activity will be on 80 to 6 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and JT65. QSL to home calls.

MONTSERRAT, VP2M. Nao, JN1RVS will be QRV as VP2MRV from April 27 to May 3. Activity will be on 40 to 10 meters using CW and RTTY. QSL via JA1HGY.

LAKSHADWEEP ISLANDS, VU7. Krish, W4VKU will be QRV as VU7KV from Kavaratti Island, IOTA AS-011, from May 2 to 5. Activity will be on 80 to 10 meters using SSB and some RTTY. QSL to home call.

INDONESIA, YB. A group of operators are QRV as YE8B from Banggai Island, IOTA OC-208, until May 2. They are active on 80 to 10 meters using CW, SSB, and RTTY. QSL direct via YB8BRI.

SOUTH SUDAN, Z8. Olli, OH0XX is QRV as Z81X from Juba. Of late, he has been active on 17 and 15 meters using CW. QSL to home call.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The 10-10 International Digital Spring Contest, NCCC RTTY Sprint, NCCC Sprint CW Ladder, SP DX RTTY Contest, Helvetia Contest, QRP to the Field, Florida QSO Party and the BARTG Sprint 75 are all scheduled for this weekend. The AGCW QRP/QRP CW Party is scheduled for May 1. Please see April QST, page 84, and the ARRL and WA7BNM Contest websites for details.
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21158. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-26 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21158

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:Issued: 2013 Apr 26 1158 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30426
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 26 Apr 2013, 1104UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 26 Apr 2013 until 28 Apr 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 26 Apr 2013 10CM FLUX: 115 / AP: 011
PREDICTIONS FOR 27 Apr 2013 10CM FLUX: 113 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 28 Apr 2013 10CM FLUX: 111 / AP: 007
COMMENT:NOAA AR 1726, the dominant source of flaring activity in the past week, is now
behind the solar west limb. We expect flaring activity now to originate mostly from NOAA AR
1731. This active region near the North-East limb has developed a beta-gamma
We are currently inside a speed solar wind stream but we believe most of the resulting
geomagnetic activity is behind us. A return towards quiet geomagnetic conditions is
expected.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 073, BASED ON 15 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 25 Apr 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 119
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 024
AK WINGST : 014
ESTIMATED AP : 012
ESTIMATED ISN : 078, BASED ON 26 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
END
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21159. ARLP017 Propagation de K7RA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-26 15:21:18 UTC
From: jjreisert@...
Topic: 3663 Message: 21159

SB PROP @ ARL $ARLP017
ARLP017 Propagation de K7RA

ZCZC AP17
QST de W1AW
Propagation Forecast Bulletin 17 ARLP017
>From Tad Cook, K7RA
Seattle, WA April 26, 2013
To all radio amateurs

SB PROP ARL ARLP017
ARLP017 Propagation de K7RA

Solar activity quieted this week. The average daily sunspot number declined nearly 23 points to 90.6. Average daily solar flux values were down nearly 13 points to 109.1. The most active day was April 24, with a planetary A index of 19 and mid-latitude A index of 15. But that is still quite moderate activity. The average daily mid-latitude A index was the same this week as last, 4.9.

The predicted solar flux is 120 on April 26-29, 125 on April 30 through May 1, 130 on May 2-3, 125 on May 4-5, 120 on May 6, 115 on May 7-8, 120 on May 9-11, 115 on May 12-13, 110 on May 14-15, 105 on May 16-18, 110 on May 19 and 120 on May 20.

The predicted planetary A index is 12 on April 26, 5 on April 27 through May 4, 8 on May 5, 5 on May 6-18, and 8, 12, 12, 15, 12 and 5 on May 19-24.

F.K. Janda, OK1HH predicts the geomagnetic field will be quiet to active April 26, quiet to unsettled April 27 to May 10, quiet to active May 11-12, and quiet to unsettled May 13-19.

The Australian government's Ionospheric Prediction Service issued a geomagnetic disturbance warning at 0503 UTC on April 26. Increased geomagnetic activity is expected due to a high speed solar wind stream from a low-latitude coronal hole. Minor storm levels are possible. Active to minor storm levels are expected April 26, and unsettled to active levels are expected April 26-27.

See http://www.ips.gov.au/. You can go to http://www.ips.gov.au/mailman/listinfo/ to subscribe to their alert messages.

Bob Logan, NZ5A lives in Manor, a tiny town in central Texas. On Sunday, April 14 at 2032 UTC he was surprised to work HC2UA (Ecuador) on 6 meter CW. Bob ran 4 watts with a Flex 1500. The

antenna was unusual, an 80 meter inverted vee with the center at 35 feet, fed with ladder line and an HF antenna tuner, which Bob says "is not designed to tune 6 meters, but it does!" He also worked them at 2043 UTC on SSB, although they were not able to copy his report. "Quite exciting for me!" says Bob.

Jeff Hartley, N8II of Shepherdstown, West Virginia wrote on April 19: "10 and 12 meters have been quite poor with the recent solar activity decline, but 15 and lower continue to delight with 20 open to western EU and the middle East thru most if not all of their night. There were tremendous signals on 10 meters from south central and SE EU during the recent flux in 140s, the best days being April 10th and 11th.

"The highlight of propagation was working VK9CZ (Cocos-Keeling) on 10 CW easily around 1400 UTC and hearing JAs around 2230-2330 UTC on 10 one night with one JA QSO. I had a run of JAs on 12 meter SSB with the loudest over S9."

Scott Bidstrup, TI3/W7RI sent an article about a study with a pair of sounding rockets to see if turbulence in the E-region of the ionosphere at sunset could serve as a warning of disturbance in the F-layer an 1-2 hours later. Read it at http://phys.org/news/2013-04-rocket-mission-disrupts-radio.html.

NASA has a new video of the Sun showing three years of continuous images. In that time, if the Sun rotates relative to Earth about every 27.5 days, then this video should show 398 rotations of the Sun, in less than 4 minutes. Watch it at, http://www.nasa.gov/mission_pages/sdo/news/first-light-3rd.html.

If you would like to make a comment or have a tip for our readers, email the author at, k7ra@....

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service web page at, http://arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals. For an explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin, see http://arrl.org/the-sun-the-earth-the-ionosphere. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at http://arrl.org/w1aw-bulletins-archive-propagation. More good information and tutorials on propagation are at http://k9la.us/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://arrl.org/propagation.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of ARRL bulletins are at http://arrl.org/bulletins.

Sunspot numbers for April 18 through 24 were 86, 101, 101, 76, 83, 95, and 92, with a mean of 90.6. 10.7 cm flux was 105, 99.4, 104.9, 109.3, 112.9, 117.5, and 114.7, with a mean of 109.1. Estimated

planetary A indices were 3, 2, 4, 3, 4, 7, and 19, with a mean of 6.
Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 2, 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, and 15, with
a mean of 4.9.
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**** DX INFORMATION ****
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3V - The operators and clubs participating in the TS8TI operation [425DXN 1137] from Djerba Island (AF-083) are 3V8ESG, 3V8SA, 3V8SF, 3V8ST, Leopoldo I8LWL, Antonello IK2DUW, Stefano IK6JRI, Fred IK7JWX, Ampelio IS0AGY, Rosy IW2NLC, Vincenzo IZ8LFI, Ashraf KF5EYY and Heathem YI1UNH. They plan to operate CW, SSB and digital modes on all bands, 6 metres included, between 30 April and 5 May. QSL via IK7JWX (for Italian stations, direct or bureau) and via IK2DUW (rest of the world, direct or bureau). Further information and logsearch at http://www.mdxc.org/ts8ti/ [TNX IK7JWX]
5B - Gabriele, I2VGW will be active as 5B4/I2VGW from four different locations along the coasts of Cyprus (AS-004) from 26 April to 2 May. As usual, he will focus on digital modes and 30, 17 and 12 metres. QSL via home call.
5U - Pierre, HB9AMO is active holiday style as 5U9AMO from Niger until 30 May. He operates CW on 80-10 metres. QSL via M0URX and LoTW. Logsearch at www.hb9amo.net/5u9amo.php
A3 - Vadym, UT6UD will be active as A35UD from Tongatapu Island (OC-049) on 1-7 May. He will operate CW, SSB and RTTY on 40-10 metres. QSL via UT6UD. [TNX NG3K]
CO - Lazaro CO2WL, Gustavo CO2NO and Rene CO2RVA will be active as T42T during the 47th Volta RTTY Contest (www.contestvolta.it) on 11-12 May. QSL via HA3JB. [TNX HA3JB]
E5_sc - Bruce, ZL1AAO will be active as E51AAO from Rarotonga (OC-013), South Cook Islands on 3-17 May. He will operate holiday style on 40-10 metres SSB. QSL via home call, direct or bureau, plus LoTW and eQSL. [TNX DX World]
F - Tim ON5HC, Jurgen ON5MF, Patrick ON7PQ, Geert ON7USB and Francis ON8AZ will be active as TM3B from Batz Island (EU-105) on 4-11 May. They will operate SSB, CW and digital modes on 80-10 metres. QSL via ON8AZ, direct or bureau. Further information can be found at www.eu105.be
F - A team of operators from the Radio-Club Vendeen will be active as F6KUF/p from Noirmoutier Island (EU-064) on 18-20 May. They will operate SSB, CW and RTTY with three stations on 80-2 metres. QSL via F6KUF. [TNX F5TRO]

FT5Z - This is the tentative schedule for FT5ZM [425DXN 1145]: the MV Braveheart will leave Freemantle (Australia) for Amsterdam Island on 15 January 2014. The journey will take 9 days, with an estimated arrival date of 24 January. Landing operations will commence as soon as the sea conditions and weather allow. Once the team is ashore, they will have 18 days to set up, conduct the DXpedition and tear down for departure. The team anticipates being back in Fremantle by 23 February. Bookmark www.amsterdamdx.org for updates and further information.
G - Special event callsigns GB70BOA (from Fort Perch Rock at the Mersey entrance) and GB70WA (from Leasowe Lighthouse) will be activated on 20-27 May to commemorate the 70th anniversary of the Battle of the Atlantic in World War II. Look for activity on 80-10 metres (as well as on 144 and 432 MHz) all modes. [TNX WB2YIP]
GJ - David, ON4DN will be active holiday style as MJ/ON4DN/p from Jersey (EU-013) on 6-9 May. He plans to operate from various lighthouses and WFF references. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX ON4DN]
I - ARI Siracusa will be active as IQ9SY between 11 May and 23 June during the XLIX Greek Theatre Festival. QSL via IT9DAA, direct or bureau. [TNX IT9NVA]
JA - Look for JS6RRR (QSL via bureau), JI3DST/JS6 (QSL via bureau) and JA3YEC/JS6 (QSOs confirmed automatically) to be active on all bands from Miyako Island (AS-079) from 27 April to 7 May.
LY - LY550W is active until 20 May for the Days of Kaunas City, an annual series of cultural events that celebrate the expansion of the city's privileges granted in 1463 by Grand Duke Casimir IV Jagiellon. QSL via LY5W. [TNX LY5W]
LZ - Special station LZ2013KM will be active on all bands and modes on 1-31 May to celebrate St. Kiril and Methodius' Day. QSL via LZ1BJ (email requests for bureau cards to lz1bj[@]yahoo.com) and LoTW.
OH0 - Members of the OI3V Radio Club will be active as OH0/OI3V from the Aland Islands (EU-002) on 3-5 May. They will be QRV on 80-10 metres CW, SSB and possibly also digital modes. QSL via bureau to OI3V. [TNX islandchaser.com]
OX - Henning, OZ1BII will be active again as XP2I from Kangerlussuaq, Greenland (NA-018) on 23-27 May. He will operate CW only and will participate in the CQ WW WPX CW Contest. QSL via OZ1BII, direct or bureau, and LoTW. [TNX NG3K]
PA - Celebrating the inauguration of King Willem-Alexander, the Kempische Amateur Radio Club (PI4KAR) will operate as PA00KING on 30 April.
PA - On 5 May 1923 the Governor General of the Netherlands East Indies opened officially the two-way telegraphy radio service from Radio Malabar (callsign PKX) to Radio Kootwijk in The Netherlands (callsign PCG). Celebrating the 90th anniversary from the Dutch side, special callsign PI90PCG will be active on 4-28 May. QSL via bureau. See YB below for information about the special station from Indonesia.
SM - Mel, SM0MPV will be active as SM0MPV/5 from Vassaro Island

(EU-084) between 1 May and 16 June. He will be a staff member at
the Vassaro Scout Center and will be QRV during his spare time.
QSL via home call (bureau preferred) and LoTW. [TNX rsgbiota.org]
SM - Fred, SM7DAY/p will be active again from Senoren Island (EU-138)
from 25 May to 1 June. He will operate CW and SSB on the HF bands.
QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX SM7DAY]
VE - Members of the "NA-128 Contest Group" will be active as CF2I from
Ile Verte (NA-128) on 24-28 July, including the IOTA Contest. The
group will operate many stations from the lighthouse keeper's
quarters on many bands and modes (SSB, CW and RTTY, PSK63) before
and after the contest. QSL via VE2CQ and LoTW. [TNX VE2EBK]
VP2M - Once again Nao, JN1RVS will be active as VP2MRV from Montserrat
(NA-103) from 27 April to 3 May. He will operate CW and RTTY on
40-10 metres. QSL via JA1HGY, direct or bureau, and LoTW;
logsearch on Club Log.
VU7 - Krish, W4VKU (VU2VKU) now plans to be active as VU7KV from the
Lakshadweep Islands [425DXN 1146] from 2 May until his licence
expires, i.e. at 1829 UTC on 5 May. Expect him to be QRV on 80-10
metres SSB with some RTTY. QSL via W4VKU. [TNX QRZ DX]
W - Once again Team HAMCOW (http://hamcow.net) will be active as
W1ACT/p from Martha's Vineyard (NA-046) on 2-5 May. QSL via N1JOY,
direct only. [TNX rsgbiota.org]
YB - The IOTA activity by YB5NOF and YB5QZ from the Banggai Islands
(OC-208), which was announced to start on 26 April [425DXN 1139],
has been postponed. Hopefully the special callsign (possibly YE8P)
will be issued in late April, and operations might take place
around mid-May. Should the special callsign not be issued, John
and Anton will be QRV as YB5NOF/8 and YB5QZ/8. [TNX JN6RZM]
YB - Commemorating the 90th anniversary of Radio Malabar, special event
station YE90PK will be active on 3-5 May from the site of the
former radio station, at Gunung Puntang in West Java. QSL via
YB1LZ (OQRS on Club Log) and LoTW.

FOC SPECIAL EVENT ---> "FOC" suffix callsigns that are expected to be on
the air between 1 and 31 May to celebrate the 75th anniversary of the First
Class CW Operators' Club [425DXN 1143] include:
Belize V3FOC
Bulgaria LZ75FOC
Canada VA3FOC, VE6FOC
Chagos Isls VQ975FOC
Cyprus 5B75FOC
Denmark OZ75FOC
Czech Republic OK7FOC
England GB75FOC
France TM75FOC
Germany DJ75FOC, DK75FOC
Guernsey GP4FOC
Hawaii KH6FOC
Isle of Man GT4FOC
Israel 4X75FOC

Italy II0FOC, II6FOC, II7FOC
Lithuania LY75FOC
Malawi 7Q7FOC
Mauritania 5T1FOC
Northern Ireland GN4FOC
Russia R75FOC
Sardinia IS0FOC
Saudi Arabia HZ1FOC
Scotland GS4FOC
Slovenia S575FOC
The Netherlands PA75FOC
UAE A65FOC
Ukraine EM75FOC, EO75FOC
USA K0FOC, K2FOC, K6FOC, K7FOC, N4FOC, N8FOC, W1FOC, W2FOC,
W3FOC, W5FOC, W6FOC, W9FOC, WA1FOC, WG4FOC
Wales GC4FOC
Zambia 9J75FOC
In addition, also M0RSE will also count as an FOC-suffix call. Information about the FOC 75 Certificate for contacting FOC members during this special on-air event can be found at www.g4foc.org

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MISSION GOODWILL SOUTH SUDAN ---> The initial activity (ST0R) covered DXCC demand, and has been followed by a handful of hams working in the country and QRV with Z8 callsigns. However, South Sudan's "amateur radio infrastructure is not yet established. This include regulations, licensing procedures, visitor licensing and considerations on calling for locals to get involved. Radio Arcala has taken up the initiative to work with the local Telecom administrators and provide them with assistance and helping hand". Olli, OH0XX and Martti, OH2BH are currently in Juba, the capital, and are active as Z81X during their spare time. QSL via OH0XX. [TNX DX World]

NCDXF NEWS ---> The annual meeting of the Northern California DX Foundation board of directors was held during the International DX Convention in Visalia, California, on 20 April. Officers will remain unchanged for the next year with Rusty Epps W6OAT (President), Glenn Johnson W0GJ (Vice President), Don Greenbaum N1DG (Treasurer) and Kip Edwards W6SZN (Secretary). Reelected to the board of directors were Ned Stearns AA7A, Glenn Rattmann K6NA, Steve Merchant K6AW, Tom Berson ND2T, John Miller K6MM, Glenn Vinson W6OTC and Ken Anderson K6TA.
Contributions from clubs and individuals remain strong, helping NCDXF keep up with the increasing expenses of DXpeditions to rare, remote and dangerous entities. Please visit www.ncdxf.org for joining or renewing membership. NCDXF officially presented a $50,000 grant to the FT5ZM

Amsterdam Island DXpedition. This is the second largest grant in the 41 year history of NCDXF. During this time NCDXF has supported over 500 DXpeditions with over $1.8 million dollars.
The Northern California DX Foundation is also committed to bringing younger DXers and Contesters into our hobby. NCDXF will provide full tuition scholarships for hams 25 years of age and younger at all DX University and Contest University sessions held in North America for the next year. This includes those held at the Dayton Hamvention next month. Funding for this project comes from NCDXF's Scholarship Endowment Fund, which is separate from its General Fund used to support DXpeditions. [TNX W0GJ]

PIRATE ---> Peter, OX3XR has received information from the Greenlandic Communication Authorities that Leo Wolsing (OX3LW) "requested to terminate the call" back in August 1975. The callsign has not been reissued since then, so do not waste your time on working the station currently signing OX3LW as it is a pirate.

QSL HK6AAY & HK6DOS ---> Oscar, HK6DOS reports that EA5KB is no longer his QSL manager. The same applies to Carlos, HK6AAY. QSL for both is now "via bureau or e-QSL".

QSL ZP5YW ---> Effective immediately, Randy W5UE has agreed to serve as QSL manager for Mike ZP5YW. Mike's former manager, WA3HUP has retired from this service. Mike uploads his logs regularly to LoTW and eQSL, and is providing Randy all of his logs. New QSLs are being ordered so there may be a slight delay in replies. Direct requests should go to Randy Becnel, P.O. Box 170, Kiln MS 39556-0170, USA. OQRS (for ZP5YW as well as for other stations Randy manages) at http://w5ue.net/qsl-w5ue.html. [TNX W5UE]

THE INTREPID SPIRIT AWARD ---> "Tonight [20 April, at the IDXC 2013 in Visalia, Ed.] the Intrepid-DX Group is very proud present our 'Intrepid Spirit Award' to a notable DXer and DXpeditioner that we have come to respect and admire greatly, Mr. Silvano Borsa I2YSB. This award is to recognize Silvano's outstanding efforts to activate Somalia on three different activations, as well as Chad and most recently Burkina Faso.
We acknowledge Silvano's pursuit of Dxpedition excellence and his quest to activate the rare and often dangerous entities. It is for these reasons that we honor him tonight with our 'Intrepid Spirit Award'.
This 'Intrepid Spirit Award' is made in memory of our fallen friend and member, James McLaughlin, T6AF who was killed in Kabul, Afghanistan just two years ago this month". [Paul S. Ewing N6PSE, President, The Intrepid-DX Group]

THE P5 PROJECT ---> On 20 April, at the IDXC 2013 in Visalia, the Intrepid-DX Group, in partnership with the World-Wide DX Group, announced their "sustained and ongoing effort to activate North Korea", the most wanted DXCC entity world-wide. "We are committed to work as hard and as long as it takes to activate this rare and much needed entity. We will continue negotiating and flying into and out of the DPRK as needed during this process to lay the groundwork and to build the trust to ensure that a favorable outcome can be created". Read the full press release at

www.intrepid-dx.com/p5/ [TNX N6PSE]

QSLs received direct or through managers: 3B8/HB9ARY, 3B9FR, 3D2C, 3D2MF, 3D2OU, 3D2RO (OC-060), 3V8BB, 4L1MA, 4L8A, 5B8AD, 5M2TT, 5T0JL, 5T0SP, 5V7TT, 5X8C, 6O3A, 6Y3M, 6Y5WJ, 7X4AN, 7Z7AB, 9K2/SP4R, 9K2VO, 9M0L, 9Q6CC, 9U4U, 9Y4VU, A5A, A61ZX, A63HI, A92IO, AP2MB, BA8AG, BU2AQ, C31CT, CT9/DL5AXX, CW5X, CX2AQ, D3AA, D44BS, DB100AWPB, DL2RVL/HI9, E51E, E51WL, EA9/DL2RVL, EP3SMH, EW6DX, EX/UA4WHX, EY8/UA4WHX, FK/F4BKV, H44KW, H44RK, HA30S, HB30OK, HC2/UA4WHX, HD2A, HI3EPR, HI8W, HK0/F6BFH (NA-049), HK1/F6BFH (SA-040), HK6F, HT9H, JG8NQI/JD1, JX5O, JX9JKA, KC4AAA, KH2/G3ZEM, L22D (SA-022), LU6W (SA-096),LX1HD, NP2/N5RZ, OD5NJ, OY1CT, PT0S, PY0F/PP1CZ, RA2FF, S21XV, SV5BYR, T46RRC (NA-204), T47RRC (NA-086), T48RRC (NA-218), T6LG, T77KS, TC3DEU, TJ3AY, TT8TT, TX7M, TZ6BB, UK/UAWHX, V63UG, V63ZM, V73TS, VK0JJJ, VP2EC, VP2V/KE2VB, VP5/K0UU, VP8LIZ, VP8ROT, VP9I, VY0/VE3VID (NA-174), XR0YG, XT2CJA, XT2TT, XW0ZJZ, YB26SEAG, YB6N (OC-161), YE9IOTA (OC-150), YN7SU, Z81D, ZD8W, ZK3SB, ZL9HR.

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09/07-10/08 V47JA and V47HAM: St. Kitts (NA-104) 1143
14/07-16/07 H40: Reef Islands (OC-065) 1142
24/07-28/07 CF2I: Ile Verte (NA-128) 1147
24/07-31/07 TM2BI: Belle-Ile-en-Mer (EU-048) 1137
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July RV3EFH/0: Bolshevik Island (AS-042) 1139
02/08-09/08 MJ/OT9Z: Jersey (EU-013) 1145
03/08-04/08 TO1PF: Reunion Island (AF-016) 1137
August RV3EFH/0: Bolshevik Island (AS-042) 1139
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September RV3EFH/0: Bolshevik Island (AS-042) 1139
01/10-11/10 CY0P: Sable Island (NA-063) 1143
03/10-17/10 FH: Mayotte (AF-027) * by I2YSB and others 1143
October K9W: Wake Island (OC-053) 1141
October RV3EFH/0: Bolshevik Island (AS-042) 1139
06/11-17/11 T33A: Banaba Island (OC-018) 1143
Jan-Feb 2014 FT5ZM: Amsterdam Island (AF-002) 1147

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21162. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-27 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21162

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:Issued: 2013 Apr 27 1102 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30427
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 27 Apr 2013, 1104UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 27 Apr 2013 until 29 Apr 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 27 Apr 2013 10CM FLUX: 122 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 28 Apr 2013 10CM FLUX: 122 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 29 Apr 2013 10CM FLUX: 122 / AP: 007
COMMENT:Flaring activity is expected to decrease as NOAA AR 1726 (Cat 51) is rotating
further behind the limb. NOAA AR 1731 is relatively quiet up till now, despite a beta-gamma
configuration.
We are still inside a speed solar
wind stream but most of the resulting geomagnetic activity is
behind us. Quiet geomagnetic conditions are expected in the coming days.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 075, BASED ON 09 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 26 Apr 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 122
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 024
AK WINGST : 018
ESTIMATED AP : 020
ESTIMATED ISN : 076, BASED ON 17 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
END
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21163. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-28 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21163

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:Issued: 2013 Apr 28 1219 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30428
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 28 Apr 2013, 1204UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 28 Apr 2013 until 30 Apr 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 28 Apr 2013 10CM FLUX: 127 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 29 Apr 2013 10CM FLUX: 127 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 30 Apr 2013 10CM FLUX: 127 / AP: 007
COMMENT:C-class flaring is expected, mainly from NOAA AR 1731, which has a beta-
gamma configuration. Quiet geomagnetic conditions are expected.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 069, BASED ON 10 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 27 Apr 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 127
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 011
AK WINGST : 009
ESTIMATED AP : 007
ESTIMATED ISN : 074, BASED ON 16 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
END
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21164. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1110

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-28 18:10:48 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 21164 Message: 21164

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April 29, 2013
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 21st-April, through Sunday, 28th-April there were 225 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3B9, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5U, 5W, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8Q, 8R, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9Q, 9U, 9V, 9X, 9Y, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C2, C3, C5, C6, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, DL, DU, E3, E5/s, E6, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FH, FK, FM, FO, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J6, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JY, K, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ7, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S2, S5, S7, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T5, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TN, TR, TT, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V6, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK9N, VP2E, VP2M, VP2V, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, Z8, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZF, ZK3, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

3D2 & ZF2, FIJI AND CAYMAN ISLANDS. "The Daily DX" is reporting that Harry, AA2WN, will be active as 3D2WN from Fiji between June 1-7th. He will then travel to the Cayman Islands and be active as ZF2WN between July 13-20th. The main purpose of both trips is scuba diving, but he

"will be active when [he's] not diving. He'll be running 100 watts from an IC706MKII using a dipole mostly on 17 and 20 meters CW, SSB and possibly some digital modes. QSL via AA2WN and LoTW.

5B, CYPRUS. By the time you read this, Gabriele, I2VGW, will be active 5B4/I2VGW from four different QTHs along the coasts of Cyprus (AS-002) until May 2nd. Activity will be holiday style with a focus on the Digital modes and the 30/17/12 meter bands using his IC-7200 and Buddipole. QSL via I2VGW.

9H25, MALTA (Special Event). Members of the Dutch Society of Radio Amateurs (VRZA Afd. Kagerland)club station (PI4KGL) will be active as 9H25 (that is the whole callsign) from Qawra between May 20th and June 4th. Activity is to celebrate their 25th Holiday DXpedition to Malta. Operations will be on 80-6 meters using CW and SSB. Suggested frequencies are:
CW - 3530, 7025, 10115, 14040, 18098, 21040, 24920 and 28040 kHz
SSB - 3755, 7055, 14260, 18128, 21260, 24950 and 28460 kHz
6m - 50095/CW and 50130/SSB

Operators mentioned are Wim/PG9W (9H3ON), Marion/PD3MV (9H3MV), Floris/ PA1FW (9H3E), Rinus/PA2HEM (9H3MS), André/PA3HGP (9H3S), Jasper/PB2JJ (9H3JN), Sjirk/PE1OFJ (9H3YM), Hans/PA0JBB and Aad/PA11137. QSL via PI4KGL. A log search is available at the 9H25 Web page: http://members.ziggo.nl/9h25

E4, PALESTINE. Peri, HB9IQB, has been granted a renewed license by the Ministry of Telecommunications & Technology in Ramallah and plans to be active again as E44PM later in the year. For more details on his past operation and updates, visit the following Web page at: http://www.hb9iqb.ch/palestine.html

E5, SOUTH COOK ISLANDS. Just a reminder that Bruce, ZL1AAO, will once again be active as E51AAO from Rarotonga Island (OC-013) between May 3-17th. Activity will be holiday style, and he will be operational on SSB only, 40-10 meters, using 100 watts to a dipole or 1/4 wave GP antennas. QSL via LoTW, eQSL and direct only; sorry no Bureau cards. He will upload the log when he returns home.

FO & FO/A, FRENCH POLYNESIA AND AUSTRAL ISLANDS. Yoshi, JJ8DEN/KH0PR, will be active as FO/KH0PR from two French Polynesian Islands starting at the end of the month as follows:
April 30th-May 7th - Pukapuka Island (OC-062); DXCC French Polynesia
May 8-15th - Raivavae Island (OC-114); DXCC Austral
Activity from both islands will be on 40-10 meters using CW, RTTY, PSK31 and JT65A. Suggested frequencies are:
CW - 7004, 10104, 14004, 18074, 21004, 24894 and 28004 kHz
RTTY - 7034, 10144, 14084, 18104, 21084, 24924 and 28084 kHz
AC Power on Pukapuka Island only runs between 0630-2400 LOCAL TIME. He will try using a car battery at night. This plan is dependent on gasoline at Pukapuka. On Raivavae Island, he will have AC power all day. His equipment is an IC-7000 w/100 watts into an inverted V. QSL via JJ8DEN, direct with SASE and 2 USDs or by the Bureau. There is a chance that his plans might be cancelled due to the flights to the remote islands.

FOC SPECIAL EVENT. Just a reminder that starting May 1st, look for stations signing "FOC" in their suffix callsigns throughout the end of the month. Activity is to celebrate the 75th anniversary of the "First Class CW Operators' Club". List of "FOC" stations are available at: http://www.g4foc.org/Default.aspx?pageId=1537891
Complete details, as well as special awards are available, at the FOC Web page: http://www.g4foc.org

HB0, LIECHTENSTEIN. Operators Roman/DL3TU and Uwe/DL4AAE will be active as HB0/DL3TU and HB0/DL4AAE on the second or third full weekend of September. Weather permitting, they will attempt to operate from the summit Augstenberg (2359 meters A.S.L.) using CW only on the higher bands with an emphasis on Asia. QSL via their home callsigns, direct or by the Bureau. For updates and details, visit Roman's Web page at: http://www.mydarc.de/dl3tu

HH, HAITI. Tom, KC0W, will be active as HH5/KC0W from the extreme northern tip of Haiti for 18 days in July. Activity will be 80-6 meters using CW only. He will use a vertical antenna placed directly over salt water. Tom states, "My operating location in Haiti has unobstructed HF takeoffs to North America, Europe & Africa. Haiti has been underrepresented on CW so hopefully HH5/KC0W will go into many CW enthusiast's logbooks." QSL only direct to his home callsign. Look for more HH5/KC0W information as July approaches.

IOTA NEWS.....
AF-109. (New IOTA) Just a reminder that members of the Egyptian Radio Amateur Society for Development (ERASD) plan to be active as SU8N from Geziret Disuqi (aka Nelson's Island), an island in the Nile Delta and Sinai Region Group, during May for one week (May 3-10th). "Nelson's Island" is approximately 20 kilometers east of the Egyptian port of Alexandria, four kilometers north of Cape Aboukir. Nelson's Island is approximately 350 meters by 150 meters. Activity will be on most HF bands. Operators mentioned are Said/SU1SK, Ateff/SU1AO, Hossam/SU1HM and Ayman/SU1AR. Look for more info to be forthcoming. Also, watch the ERASD's Web page at: http://www.qsl.net/egyptham
Also, watch: https://www.facebook.com/events/441478712566533

AS-079. Take, JI3DST, will be active from Miyako Island between 0900z, April 27th and 0000z, May 7th. He states that he will use three different callsigns on the island: JS6RRR (Main), JI3DST/JS6 (Sub) and JA3YEC/JS6 (For JA). Activity will be on 160/80/75/40/30/20/17/15/12/10/6 meters using CW, SSB, FM, RTTY and PSK31. Operations may vary in case of heavy rains or other conditions. QSL routes are as follows: JS6RRR via JS6RRR, JI3DST/JS6 via JI3DST and JA3YEC/JS6 is only 1 way, and he does not need your QSL. Via bureau is best. Please check QRZ.com for more details.

EU-064. Members of the Radio Club Vendéen (F6KUF) will once again be active as F6KUF/p from the Sebastopol Polder (FFF-218) on

Noirmoutier Island between May 18-20th. Activity will be on
80-2 meters on the usual WFF frequencies, +/- QRM permitting,
and using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL cards are via the Bureau;
SWL cards are welcome.

EU-095. Members of the Castres DX Gang will be active as TM5FI from
Ratonneau Island (DIFM ME003, DFCF 13-061) between May 15-22nd.
Activity will be on the HF bands. QSL via F5XX.

EU-125. Operators Olaf/DL4HG and Andy/DL7AT will be active as OZ0TX
from Mando Island (DIA NS-003, WWFF OZFF-004) between July
26-28th. Activity will be on all HF bands using CW and SSB.
They also plan to be in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th).
QSL via DL7AT.

EU-129. Operators Gunter/DL4WA, Frank/DL1WA Joerg/DL3ARM will be
active DL1WA/p from Usedom Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest
(July 27-28th). QSL via his home callsign.

EU-064. Gil, F4FET, will be active as F4FET/P from Yeu Island (DIFM
AT013) for 2 hours on May 5th. QSL via his home callsign.

EU-107. Gil, F4FET, will be active as F4FET/P from Petite Island
(DIFM MA055) and Er Island (DIFM MA013) for 1-2 days between
May 30th and June 5th. QSL via his home callsign.

EU-138. Fred, SM7DAY, will once again be active as SM7DAY/p from Senoren
Island between May 25th and June 1st. Activity will be on all
HF bands using CW and SSB. QSL via his home callsign, by the
Bureau or direct (QRZ.com).

EU-157. Gil, F4FET, will be active as F4FET/P from Cezembre Island
(DIFM MA008) during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th) as
a Single-Op/24-HRS/SSB-Mode/High-Power entry. QSL via his
home callsign.

ISWL CALLSIGNS (For May). The following ISWL club callsigns will be
used throughout the month of May 2013:

GX4BJC/A - Operated from Eastbourne, in East Sussex, by Peter, G0NQZ.
(WAB Square TQ50, England, IOTA EU-005 and WLOTA LH-1841).

MX1SWL/A - Operated from Hove, in Sussex, by George, G3VBE. (WAB
Square TQ20, England, IOTA EU-005 and WLOTA LH-1841).

ALL QSLs will be handled by Herbie, G6XOU, and NOT the individual
operator. The I.S.W.L. is a member of the European PSK Club. All QSL
info is on <www.iswl.org.uk> or <www.qrz.com> or via <www.eQSL.cc>.
NO LoTW. I.S.W.L. Awards are available to all Hams and SWLs, see
<www.iswl.org.uk> for full details. The eQSL.cc cards ARE welcomed for
their awards.

KG4, GUANTANAMO BAY (6m Op). Operators Terry/K4RX (KG4RX), Ken/AC4TO (KG4TO) and Tip/N4SIA (KG4AS) will be active from GITMO for a 6 meter DXpedition in WW, grid FK29kv between June 22nd-29th. They will use a K3 with PR6 and KPA500 into a 6M5XHG optimized 6 element yagi. There will also be some simultaneous CW HF operations on all bands. KG4RX and KG4TO will have their logs on ClubLog. QSL to their respective home callsigns.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (April 29th-May 5th)....
Apr/29nd AN May/02nd AN May/04th HN-AN
Apr/30th AN May/03rd AN-HN May/05th AN
May/01st AN

SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS/INDEXES AND GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE
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NORMALITY GEOMAG K Values Alpha
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AN - Above Normal Quiet K=0-1 0-7
HN - High Normal Unsettled K=2 8-15
LN - Low Normal Active K=3 16-29
BN - Below Normal Minor Storm K=4 30-49
DIS - Disturbed Major Storm K=5 50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed Severe Storm K=6-9 100-400

KH8, AMERICAN SAMOA (Update/Special Event). Operators Aki/ZL1GO (JE4EKO), Masahiro/JH3PRR, Kip/W6SZN and Jacky/ZL3CW (F2CW/WE3B) will be active using the special event callsign N8A from the Turtle and Shark Lodge, Village of Vaitogi, on the southeast coast of Tutuila Island (OC-045, USI AS007S, WLOTA 4385) between November 12-27th. Activity will be on the HF bands, 160-10 meters, with a significant effort on 160 meters. Focus will be on EU for the high bands. CW will be the primary mode with some SSB and RTTY possible. Their location will be well south of Pago Pago to limit mountain low angle blockage. Their operations will include the CQWW DX CW Contest but with extended pre-contest activity intended to make KH8 widely available. QSL via ZL3CW. The N8A Web page is now available online at: http://www.n8a.eu

LZ2013, BULGARIA (Special Event). Members of Bulgarian Federation of Radio Amateurs will activate special event station LZ2013KM between May 1-31st. Activity is to celebrate "National St. Cyril (Kiril) and Methodius Day (creators of Cyrillic alphabet). Operations will be on all bands and modes. QSL via LZ QSL Bureau to LZ1BJ (see details on QRZ.com for E-mail requests). The log will be uploaded into LoTW after the end of activity.

NCDXF PRESS RELEASES (Two - Visalia Report and NCDXF DX/Contest University Scholarships). Dated April 22nd:
1) NCDXF annual board meeting - The annual meeting of the Northern California DX Foundation board of directors was held during the International DX Convention in Visalia, California, on April 20, 2013. Officers will remain unchanged for the next year with Rusty Epps, W6OAT, President; Glenn Johnson, W0GJ, Vice President; Don Greenbaum,

N1DG, Treasurer; and Kip Edwards, W6SZN, Secretary. Reelected to NCDXF's board of directors were Ned Stearns, AA7A, Glenn Rattmann, K6NA, Steve Merchant, K6AW, Tom Berson, ND2T, John Miller, K6MM, Glenn Vinson, W6OTC and Ken Anderson, K6TA.
Contributions from clubs and individuals remain strong, helping NCDXF keep up with the increasing expenses of DXpeditions to rare, remote and dangerous entities. NCDXF officially presented a 50,000 USDs grant to the FT5ZM Amsterdam Island DXpedition. This is the second largest grant in the 41 year history of NCDXF. During this time NCDXF has supported over 500 DXpeditions with over 1.8 million US dollars.
See pictures from the Visalia DX convention where NCDXF gave out grants checks for over $60,000 to various DXpeditions:
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2) NCDXF DX University and Contest University Scholarships - NCDXF is committed to bringing younger DXers and Contesters into our hobby. NCDXF will provide full tuition scholarships for hams 25 years of age and younger at all DX University and Contest University sessions held in North America for the next year. This includes those held at the Dayton Hamvention next month.
Funding for this project comes from NCDXF□s Scholarship Endowment Fund, which is separate from its General Fund used to support DXpeditions.
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Glenn Johnson, W0GJ
Vice President, NCDXF
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OG0, ALAND ISLAND. Timo, OH6EI, will once again be active as OG0Z during the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 25-26th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via W0MM.

P4, ARUBA. John, KK9A, will once again be active as P40A. Activity will be during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (May 25-26th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. Outside of the contest, activity will be on all bands using CW and SSB. QSL via WD9DZV.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (For April 28th)

4M5IR via YV5KG E75A via E77E PC13KING via PA1DV
4S7DXG via EA5HPX EK98GM via EK3GM PG6KING via PD9ND
5U9AMO via M0URX EW/DL7VFM via DL7VFM R27TTT via RT3T
7N1PRD/0 via 7N1PRD (d/L) GJ100C via M0OXO RO85MC via R8MC
7Q7DFC via OE4VIE HB0/DL2JRM via DL2JRM RO85MD via R8MC

9A/IZ3NXC via IZ3NXC HR2ZA via JL1UTS RO85MN via RV9MN
9H3DD via M1DDD JY9ET via M0OXO RO85NN via UA9NN
AX5ASK via VK5ASK OO2A via ON4ADN RU27TT via RU5TT
AX6IR via VK6IR OP4D via ON4MAW S5/OE4VIE via OE4VIE
AX7CW via VK7CW PA33KBX via PA0ABM TO4IPA via HA3JB
BG5EFD via BD4HF PA200KING via PD5ROB V31DX via DO4DXA
CO6CAC via PY4WAS PA2013KING via PB6W (d)

(e) eQSL only (d) direct only (B) Bureau only (L) LoTW only

H44KW QSL STATUS. Phil, G3SWH, reported on April 22nd: "Just to let you know that I have processed all the H44KW direct QSL requests received to date via snail mail and taken them to the local post office. I'm now working on the OQRS bureau requests."

ZP5YW QSL MANAGER UPDATE. Randy, W5UE, reports: "Effective immediately, I have agreed to serve as QSL manager for Mike, ZP5YW. Mike's former manager, WA3HUP has retired from this service. Mike uploads his logs regularly to LoTW and eQSL. Mike is providing me all of his logs. New QSLs are being ordered, so there may be a slight delay in replies. Direct requests should go to Randy Becnel, W5UE, P.O. Box 170, Kiln, MS, 39556-0170, USA. OQRS requests can be made for ZP5YW as well as other stations I manage from my web site: http://w5ue.net/qsl-w5ue.html Please help get the word out."

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 3C0E, 3C6A, 4A8MDR, 5W0W, 6W1/N2WQC, 7N2JZT/6, 8Q7NC, 9A1A, 9M2/R6AF/P, 9U4U, A45XR, A92IO, BA7NO, C6AKQ, D2QV, D3AA, EY8MM, F6CSR, H44KW, H44RK, HK0JJH, HK6F, J6/N7QT, NP2/N5RZ, OD5PY, RI1ANP, RU27ON, SP3SLA, T2T, UT3IB, V31YK, V44KAI, VK9CZ, WH7W, YI1RZ and ZF1DZ

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3D2C, 4L1MA, 9K2/SP4R, 9Q6CC, 9U4U, BY8AC, BY8DX, CP6UA, D3AA, D44BS, E40VB, H44KW, H44RK, HD2A, HK0/F6BFH, OD5NJ, OY1CT, PT0S, PY0F/PP1CZ, S21XV, T46RRC, T47RRC, T48RRC, TR8CA, TT8TT, TU2T, UA0ABK, UK8OM, VK6ANC, VU2PAI, XR0YG, XT8TT, ZL9HR and ZP9MCE

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 4K7Z, 5N6/YL2SW, 5B4AJC, 6V7D, 6W/RK4FG, 7O6T, 8Q7DV, A61AR, A65BP, CA3OEV, CT9/YL1ZF, D44TBE, EF8M, HB0WR, HK3W, J38XX, J5NAR, JY4NE, TK/DF6ZY, RI1ANC, RI0FM, VR2/UA3QNS, ZK3OU and ZM4T

SW5, DODECANESE. Rich, M5RIC, will be active as SW5CC (yet to be confirmed) from Rhodes Island (EU-001) starting October 23rd until the end of the month. Activity will be on 30-10 meters, especially 30/17/12 meters, using SSB and RTTY. He also plans to be in the CQWW SSB DX Contest (October 26-27th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (??)/High-Power entry. For updates, visit his Webpage at: http://m5ric.co.uk/sw5cc-october-2013

T6, AFGHANISTAN. Doug, ND9Q, is now active as T6DA from Panjwayi, Kandahar, until sometime in August. He is currently operating with a FT-857D with a maximum of 20w through an end-fed dipole for 10/20/40m. He will be changing antennas soon to allow 100w operations on all bands, and he will

also be adding PSK31 and other Digital modes when his equipment arrives in country. He states, "Due to an extensive (80+ hour) work week, I will be unable to schedule operating times in advance."

T6, AFGHANISTAN (Update/Correction). Tim, KB2RLB (ex-DA2TF and YI9RLB), is currently operating in Afghanistan as T6TM in Eastern Kabul on an American military compound (inside an Afghan compound). He informs OPDX, "The T6 call was received after submitting my application through the military channels here. I plan on being here for at least another year and will be working mainly Fridays between the hours of 0400 and 1300 UTC. My OP Conditions: FT-897D, Clover leaf G5RV (Working to put up some other wire), Z11Pro Tuner. I will be working PSK, SSB and might do some CW (if I get the nerve up since it has been a while for me)." QSL via KB2RLB. CORRECTION TO OPDX.1109. Your editor mixed up some info last week between T6JP and T6TM. It is Mike, T6JP (not Tim, T6TM), who is expected to leave on April 25th, but is expected to return within 2 months (see below). However, Tim did tell us this week that he will be going on vacation sometime in June.

T6, AFGHANISTAN (Update/Correction). Jesse, KB2OBQ, was once again active as T6JP from Panjwai in the Kandahar Province starting May 15th. However, he was planning to leave on April 25th, but is expecting to return within 2 months (not yet planned). He states he can be active as T6JP through August 2014. Activity will be on 160-10 meters (mostly 40/20/10m) using 100 watts, on CW and SSB. Logs will be uploaded daily (if possible) to LoTW, eQSL, QRZ.com. For more details and updates, watch QRZ.com (under T6JP).

TR, GABON. Thorbjorn, SM7RME, is once again active as TR0A/p from Port Gentil, Mandji Island (AF-089), until April 30th. QSL via SM7EHU.

V6, MICRONESIA. Just a reminder that operators Takio/JH3QFL and Keizo/JH3AZC will be active as V6H and V6S, respectively, from the South Park Hotel in Pohnpei between April 29th and May 5th. Activity will be on 80-6 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and JT65. QSL via their home callsign.

VK9N, NORFOLK ISLAND. Just a reminder that twelve operators and members of the Oceania DX Group (ODXG) will be active as VK9NT from Norfolk Island (OC-005) between May 3-13th. The group plans to have 4 stations covering all bands 80-10 meters on CW, SSB and RTTY. Operators mentioned are Chris/VK3QB (Team Leader), Luke/VK3HJ, Lee/VK3GK, Benton/VK3CBV, Allan/VK2CA (QSL Manager/Webmaster), Catherine/VK4GH, John/VK4IO, Roy/VK3GB, Peter/VK3IJ, Graeme/VK3GL and San/K5YY. An "Online QSL Request Service" will be available for Bureau, and direct cards on ClubLog which is the PREFERRED method. If for some reason you cannot use the OQRS or LoTW, QSL can go direct to VK2CA. For more details and updates, visit the VK9NT Web page at: http://vk9nt.odxg.org

VP2M, MONTSERRT. By the time you read this, Nao, JN1RVS, will once again be active as VP2MRV from Montserrat (NA-103, WLOTA 1475) until May 3rd. Activity will be on 40-10 meters using CW and RTTY. QSL via JA1HGY, direct or by the Bureau, and LoTW. There is a log search on ClubLog.

VU7, LACCADIVES ISLANDS (Update to OPDX.1109 - Lakshadweep Islands).
A couple of sources are reporting that Krish, W4VKU/VU2VKU, who is now
active as 8Q7KP, has received his plane tickets to fly to an island in
the VU7 chain, either Kavaratti or Agatti. He will be active as VU7KV
between May 2-5th. Remember, his plan is for SSB and some RTTY on 80-10
meters using a TS-480Sat and TenTec Hercules 2 amp into a Butternut HF9V
and a 2 element SteppIR yagi + 30/40m trombone. Basically the same equip-
ment used at 8Q7KP. QSL via W4VKU, by the Bureau, LoTW or eQSL.

XP, GREENLAND. Henning, OU2I/OZ1BII, will once again be active as XP2I
from Kanger-lussuaq between May 23-27th. Activity will be CW only. He
will participate during the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 25-26th) as a Single-
Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL via OZ1BII (see www.oz1bii.dk/qsl-info.htm).

XU, CAMBODIA (XZ Possible!). Alex, M6CFW, reports on QRZ.com that he
recently received a license to operate as XU7WXA from Phnom Penh and
will be using it when he visits the country for work. Alex states, "Future
dates will be posted here (QRZ.com), and I will try to be on-air as much
as work permits. These trips are NOT designed to be full blown DXpeditions.
Having said that if you need an XU7 for an award, then I'd be happy to
arrange a sked and try to make contact. I will be using all HF bands,
SSB and PSK31/63. I'm limited to 100W, but given how flat Cambodia is,
I should still be able to reach pretty much anywhere. QSLs will be
uploaded pretty much immediately to LoTW and eQSL. If you need a paper
card then I'm happy to provide them, but ONLY directly via my UK address
M6CFW, and ONLY with $2, □2, £2 or 2 VALID IRCs. I will hopefully be
operating soon from XY/XZ (Myanmar). Negotiations for licenses are well
advanced, and once I have it then I will mount a one man DXpedition."

XZ, MYANMAR. Simon, HS0ZIB, announced on QRZ.com: "During the months of
May and June 2013, I will again operate XZ1K from Tanintharyi State. I
will only operate on PSK31, according to when I have free time. From 1st
July, I will be working in Laos, but I will try to return each holiday
to re-activate XZ1K. QSLs will only be available via online verification.
There is, of course, no bureau in Myanmar and I will have no permanent
address there. I will mail out a hard-copy QSL for each QSO verification.
SWLs may also submit their reception reports."

YE90, INDONESIA (Special Event). Members of the ORARI Jawa Barat and YB
Club DX, along with the Bandung Heritage Community will activate the
special event station YE90PK between May 3-5th. Activity is to commemorate
the 90th anniversary of Radio Malabar. Activity will be on all modes and
HF band. The location of Radio Malabar is in Puntang, Mount Malabar,
South of Bandung, West Java. For more details, see:
http://www.qrz.com/db/YE90PK

Z8, SOUTH SUDAN. Olli, OH0XX, is now active as Z81X from Juba. The length
of his stay is not known. Activity has been on 17/15 meters CW. QSL via
OH0XX. Hopefully, more details will be forthcoming.

ZD8, ASCENSION ISLAND. Bob, G4DBW, will once again be active as ZD8RH
from Ascension Island between April 29th and May 3rd. Since Bob is working

on the island, his activity will be limited. Operations will be mainly
on CW. Suggested frequencies are around 7007, 10105, 14007, 18073, 21007,
24897 and 28007 kHz. Equipment is a FT857 w/100 watts and a modified MP-1
portable whip antenna. QSL direct via G4DBW with 2 'green stamps' or IRC
or via RSGB Bureau. Bureau replies can take up to 18 months.

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Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@...?subject=unsubscribe>
OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):
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21165. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-29 14:01:03 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21165

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:Issued: 2013 Apr 29 1319 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30429
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 29 Apr 2013, 1304UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 29 Apr 2013 until 01 May 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 29 Apr 2013 10CM FLUX: 137 / AP: 010
PREDICTIONS FOR 30 Apr 2013 10CM FLUX: 139 / AP: 001
PREDICTIONS FOR 01 May 2013 10CM FLUX: 140 / AP: 001
COMMENT:Solar activity was moderate during the last 24 hours, with several C-class
flares occurring in NOAA ARs 1731, 1733 and a yet unnumbered AR at S19E79
(Catania 59). These 3 regions are the main candidates for further C class
flares in the next 48 hours, with even a risk for an isolated M flare from
NOAA ARs 1731 and 1733. Several CMEs occurred in the last 24 hours, one at
1325 UT on April 28, in the vicinity of Cat. AR 59, behind the limb, one at
2112 UT on the same day, related to a C4.4 flare in NOAA AR 1733, and one
on April 29 around 0324 UT, linked to a filament eruption in the vicinity
of AR 1732. None of these events appear to be geoeffective. We expect
geomagnetic activity to remain at quiet levels for the next 48 hours.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 094, BASED ON 14 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 28 Apr 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 149
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 132
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 014
AK WINGST : 009
ESTIMATED AP : 007
ESTIMATED ISN : 072, BASED ON 18 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
END
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21166. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-30 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21166

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:Issued: 2013 Apr 30 1247 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30430
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 30 Apr 2013, 1204UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 30 Apr 2013 until 02 May 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Active (M-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Warning condition (activity levels expected to increase, but no numeric
forecast given)
PREDICTIONS FOR 30 Apr 2013 10CM FLUX: 151 / AP: 003
PREDICTIONS FOR 01 May 2013 10CM FLUX: 155 / AP: 001
PREDICTIONS FOR 02 May 2013 10CM FLUX: 158 / AP: 001
COMMENT:Solar activity is on the rise with M class flares likely from NOAA ARs 1731
and 1730. The latter showed quick evolution from yesterday and is it now a
beta-gamma-delta region. C flares are expected from NOAA ARs 1732, 1733 and
to a lesser extent AR 1734. Warning conditions are raised for protons, due
to the position of AR 1730 on the disk and the risk of M class flare. The
strongest flare of the last 24 hours was a C5.9 at 2032 UT peak time, in
NOAA AR 1730. No CME is associated with this event. We expect mostly quiet
conditions for the geomagnetic activity during the next 48 hours. Current
conditions are quiet. ACE observations show a slight increase of the solar
wind speed and weak excursions of the interplanetary magnetic field.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 104, BASED ON 16 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 29 Apr 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 149
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 142
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 007
AK WINGST : 004
ESTIMATED AP : 004
ESTIMATED ISN : 091, BASED ON 26 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
END
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21167. Joe W9JUV - SK

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-04-30 19:18:13 UTC
From: r_brothers
Topic: 21167 Message: 21167

Joe, W9JUV became a Silent Key this morning.

Joe had worked almost everything there was to work.
A consummate DX'er and a true gentleman.
Joe was one of the founding members of the Northern Illinois DX Assn.

There is a nice writeup on Joe in the May QST.

RIP Joe, we will miss you greatly.

73 Randy K9OR

21168. GCR lists

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-05-01 00:24:43 UTC
From: John Becker
Topic: 21168 Message: 21168

I think everyone knows what a GCR list is, but what does "GCR" stand for? Is it strictly a ham radio thing or does it have wider usage?

73,

John, K9MM

21169. Re: [DX-IS] GCR lists

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-05-01 00:31:00 UTC
From: iain macdonnell - N6ML
Topic: 21168 Message: 21169

On Tue, Apr 30, 2013 at 5:24 PM, John Becker <johnb3030@...> wrote:
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> I think everyone knows what a GCR list is, but what does "GCR" stand
> for? Is it strictly a ham radio thing or does it have wider usage?

I (dumb newbie no-code extra) had never head of a GCR list, but:

http://www.arrl.org/was-international

73,

~iain / N6ML

21170. Re: [DX-IS] GCR lists

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-05-01 00:44:16 UTC
From: Derek Wills
Topic: 21168 Message: 21170

> > I think everyone knows what a GCR list is, but what does "GCR" stand
> > for? Is it strictly a ham radio thing or does it have wider usage?

http://acronyms.thefreedictionary.com/GCR

lists 37 interpretations, none of them ham-radio-related

Derek
aa5bt

21171. Re: [DX-IS] GCR lists

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-05-01 01:58:44 UTC
From: Ted Melinosky
Topic: 21168 Message: 21171

Hi John:

GCR stands for *"General Certification Rule*". Most awards managers
don't want to see the cards used to earn the awards. (DXCC and WAZ
being MAJOR exceptions.) They will be satisfied with your application
containing one or two signatures of witnesses who certify that they have
seen the cards, and that the ones listed are actually in the possession
of the applicant.

Ted Melinosky K1BV
The K1BV DX Awards Directory
http://www.dxawards.com/

On 4/30/2013 8:24 PM, John Becker wrote:
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> I think everyone knows what a GCR list is, but what does "GCR" stand
> for? Is it strictly a ham radio thing or does it have wider usage?
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> 73,
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> John, K9MM
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21172. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-05-01 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21172

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:Issued: 2013 May 01 1206 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30501
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 01 May 2013, 1205UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 01 May 2013 until 03 May 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Active (M-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Active conditions expected (A>=20 or K=4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Warning condition (activity levels expected to increase, but no numeric
forecast given)
PREDICTIONS FOR 01 May 2013 10CM FLUX: 160 / AP: 016
PREDICTIONS FOR 02 May 2013 10CM FLUX: 163 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 03 May 2013 10CM FLUX: 163 / AP: 007
COMMENT:We expect active conditions (M-class flares likely) to prevail for the next
48 hours. NOAA ARs 1730 and 1731 can still produce an isolated flare of
that magnitude. C-class flares are expected from NOAA ARs 1732 and 1734.
On May 1st, NOAA AR 1730 produced a C9.6 flare at 01:26 UT (peak time) and
a C5.5 flare at 0729 UT (peak time), but no associated CME can be observed.
In contrast, a rather wide CME occurred on May 1st around 0248 UT (LASCO C2
observations) on the East limb, but it is a backside event and is not
geoeffective. Geomagnetic activity is expected to be mostly quiet within
the next 48 hours, with isolated periods of active conditions. Current
conditions are unsettled to active at planetary level (Kp=4) and at local
level (K=4 at Dourbes between 06 and 09 UT). ACE data show, during the last
18 hours, a smooth decrease of the Bz component of the interplanetary
magnetic field down to -10 nT, with stronger variations between 0 and -10
nT from 06 UT onward. The source of this activity is not clear at the
moment.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 098, BASED ON 17 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 30 Apr 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 154
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : ///
AK WINGST : 010
ESTIMATED AP : 009
ESTIMATED ISN : 105, BASED ON 25 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
END
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21173. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-05-02 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21173

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:Issued: 2013 May 02 1252 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30502
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 02 May 2013, 1205UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 02 May 2013 until 04 May 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Active (M-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Warning condition (activity levels expected to increase, but no numeric
forecast given)
PREDICTIONS FOR 02 May 2013 10CM FLUX: 155 / AP: 010
PREDICTIONS FOR 03 May 2013 10CM FLUX: 155 / AP: 005
PREDICTIONS FOR 04 May 2013 10CM FLUX: 152 / AP: 001
COMMENT:An M1.1 class flare occurred on May 2nd, at 0510 UT (peak time), in NOAA AR
1731, accompanied by a type II burst and a CME. This region still has the
potential for an extra M class flare in the next 24 to 48 hours, and we
therefore expect active conditions for this time period. NOAA AR 1730 is
slightly less complex but an isolated M flare is not excluded. C flares are
expected from NOAA ARs 1732 and 1734. The bulk of the CME from this
morning is heading northward, but its southern flank might pass by the
Earth. We expect an arrival in the morning of May 6th, triggering active
to possibly minor storm conditions. For the next 48 hours, geomagnetic
conditions are expected to be mostly quiet to unsettled. Conditions were
mostly active during the past 24 hours, with several periods at K=4 at
planetary levels. This corresponds, as observed by ACE, to a period of
negative Bz component down to -10 nT, and to a slight increase in speed,
which might be linked to a small coronal hole to the west of NOAA AR 1731.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 069, BASED ON 09 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 01 May 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 159
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : ///
AK WINGST : 028
ESTIMATED AP : 025
ESTIMATED ISN : 096, BASED ON 21 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
02 0458 0510 0519 N10W26 M1.1 1N III/2II/2 1731
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21174. ARLD018 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-05-02 21:45:08 UTC
From: jjreisert@...
Topic: 3774 Message: 21174

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ARLD018 DX news

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DX Bulletin 18 ARLD018
>From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT May 2, 2013
To all radio amateurs

SB DX ARL ARLD018
ARLD018 DX news

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by NC1L, The Weekly DX, the OPDX Bulletin, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, DXNL, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

TONGA, A3. Masato, JA0RQV is QRV as A35JP from Tongatapu Island, IOTA OC-049, until May 22. Activity is on 80 to 10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL to home call.

MOZAMBIQUE, C9. Gert, ZS6AYU is QRV as C91GR from Bilene, Gaza Province, until May 7. Activity is holiday style on 40 to 10 meters. QSL to home call.

FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY, DA. Special event station DR0PALAEON is QRV until March 31, 2014 in commemoration of the discovery of the oldest human-made weapons in an archaeological exploration near Schoeningen. The discovered spears date back approximately 300000 years. QSL via bureau.

SOUTH COOK ISLANDS, E5. Bruce, ZL1AAO is QRV as E51AAO from Rarotonga Island, IOTA OC-013, until May 14. Activity is on 40 to 10 meters using SSB. QSL to home call.

AUSTRAL ISLANDS, FO. Yoshi, JJ8DEN will be QRV as FO/KH0PR from Raivavae Island, IOTA OC-114, from May 8 to 15. Activity will be on 40 to 10 meters using CW, RTTY, PSK31 and JT65A. QSL to home call.

GALAPAGOS ISLANDS, HC8. Daniel, DL5YWM will be QRV as HC8/DL5YWM from May 4 to 11. Activity will be holiday style on 40 to 6 meters using CW and SSB. QSL to home call.

ALAND ISLAND, OH0. Members of the Radio Club of Lyly Signals Depot are QRV as OH0/OI3V from Eckero Island until May 5. Activity is on 80 to 10 meters using CW, SSB and various digital modes. QSL via

OI3V.

BRAZIL, PY. Special event station ZW1CCOM54 celebrates the graduation of the Signal Corps' Academy 54th class. QSL via operators' instructions.

EGYPT, SU. Operators SU1SK, SU1AO, SU1AR and SU3YM are QRV as SU8N from Nelson's Island, IOTA AF-109, until May 10. This is the first time this island will be activated. QSL direct via SM5AQD.

NORFOLK ISLAND, VK9N. A group of operators are QRV as VK9NT until May 13. Activity is on 80 to 10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via VK2CA.

CAMBODIA, XU. Alex, M6CFW has his permit as XU7WXA and plans to soon be QRV during his job-related visits. He will be active on the HF bands using SSB, PSK31 and PSK63. QSL direct to home call.

MYANMAR, XZ. Simon, HS0ZIB is QRV as XZ1K from Tanintharyi State until June 30. Activity will be on the HF bands using only PSK31 and in his spare time. QSL via operator's instructions.

INDONESIA, YB. A group of operators are QRV as YE90PK until May 5 to commemorate 90 years of the Radio Malabar station in the south of Bandung. QSL via YB1LZ.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The New England QSO Party, NCCC Sprint CW Ladder, Araucaria VHF Contest, Microwave Spring Sprint, ARI International DX Contest, 7th Call Area QSO Party, Indiana QSO Party, MIE 33 Contest and the WAB LF Phone are all on tap for this upcoming weekend. RSGB 80-Meter Club SSB Championship is scheduled for May 6. The ARS Spartan CW Sprint is scheduled for May 7. The CWops Mini-CWT Test and NAQCC-EU Monthly CW Sprint are scheduled for May 8. Please see May QST, page 80, and the ARRL and WA7BNM Contest websites for details.
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21175. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-05-03 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21175

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21176. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
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# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
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SIDC URSIGRAM 30503
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 03 May 2013, 1205UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 03 May 2013 until 05 May 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Active (M-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Active conditions expected (A>=20 or K=4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Warning condition (activity levels expected to increase, but no numeric
forecast given)
PREDICTIONS FOR 03 May 2013 10CM FLUX: 148 / AP: 005
PREDICTIONS FOR 04 May 2013 10CM FLUX: 145 / AP: 011
PREDICTIONS FOR 05 May 2013 10CM FLUX: 142 / AP: 022
COMMENT:Solar activity was moderate during the last 24 hours, with only C class
flares observed. The strongest event was a C2.8 flare, in NOAA AR 1734, at
2049 UT (peak time). NOAA AR 1731 still presents a risk for an isolated M
flare in the next 48 hours, which means that active conditions are
expected. AR 1734 is likely to produce C class flares, with a slight risk
for an M class event. A filament eruption was observed on May 2, around
1400 UT in the vicinity of AR 1730, triggering a CME observed by LASCO C2.
We do not expect any geomagnetic effect from that event. Concerning the CME
of May 2, linked to a M1.1 flare, LASCO C2 observations confirmed that the
event goes essentially north of the ecliptic plane. There is, however a
small chance that the southern flank of the CME structure will cross the
Earth early on May 6, possibly triggering unsettled to active conditions on
that day. For the next 24 hours, we expect quiet geomagnetic conditions to
prevail, and then by the end of May 4, beginning of May 5, active
conditions due to a coronal hole. Current solar wind conditions are quiet,
as observed by ACE.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 068, BASED ON 16 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 02 May 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 123
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 149
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : ///
AK WINGST : 012
ESTIMATED AP : 014
ESTIMATED ISN : 068, BASED ON 18 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** DX INFORMATION ****
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9H - 9H25Y is the callsign actually issued to the Dutch group [425DXN 1146] to celebrate their 25th trip to Malta. Look for them to be active from 20 May to 4 June. QSL via PI4KGL. Logsearch at http://members.ziggo.nl/9h25y [TNX PB2JJ]
CE0Z - Fabrizio IW3SQY, Franco IZ8GCE, Josep EA3AKY, Art WA7NB, Les SP3DOI, Paolo IV3DSH and Dino CE3PG will be active as XR0ZR from Robinson Crusoe Island, Juan Fernandez (SA-005) on 8-20 November. They will operate four stations on 160-6 metres CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via IV3DSH, direct or bureau (OQRS preferred), and LoTW "after 6 months". QSLling details and further information at www.juanfernandez2013.com
DL - Look for DJ6OI/p to be QRV from the islands of Fehmarn (EU-128) on 3-8 May and Helgoland (EU-127) on 10-15 May. QSL via home call.
E5_sc - Tony, ZL2AGY will be active again as E51AGY from Rarotonga (OC-013), South Cook Islands for "about 24 days" starting around 7 May. He will operate CW only, possibly with some activity during the CQ WW WPX CW Contest. QSL via home call.
EI - A large group from the Westnet DX Group will be active as EJ7NET from the Aran Islands (EU-006) on 10-15 May. QSL via EI6FR. [TNX rsgbiota.org]
FO - Yoshi, JJ8DEN will be active as FO/KH0PR from Pukapuka Island (OC-062, French Polynesia) until 7 May and from Raivavae Island (OC-114, Austral Islands) on 8-15 May. He operates CW and digital modes on 40-10 metres. QSL via JJ8DEN, direct or bureau. Further information at www.qrz.com/db/KH0PR.
GM - Members of the Riverway Amateur Radio Society will be active as MS0RWR from the Isle of Skye (EU-008) on 4-11 May. They plan to operate on 160-10 metres all modes. QSL via bureau or direct to G7TCW.
HA - Klara, HA5BA got her personal license back in 1973, when she was 16 years old. Celebrating her 40th anniversary in amateur radio, she is now active as HA1973BA until 31 December. She operates mainly CW. QSL via home call. [TNX HA5BA]
HC8 - After operating as HC3/DL5YWM and HC2IWM/3 (30 April-2 May) from Isla Jambeli (SA-034), Daniel, DL5YWM will be active holiday style as HC2IWM/8 from Santa Cruz, Galapagos Islands (SA-004) on 4-11

May. He operates CW and SSB. QSL via home call. [TNX DX World]
HI - Ronny, OT4R (ON4ARV) will be active as HI7/OT4R from Punta Cana, Dominican Republic (NA-096) from 11-31 May. He will be QRV on 20, 15 and 10 metres SSB ans PSK. QSL via LoTW and eQSL, no paper cards will be issued. [TNX NG3K]
HR - Dan, HM2DMR is organizing three IOTA operations to take place between late May to July: Cayos Cochinos (NA-160, tentative call HQ3W), Vivorillos Bank (NA-223, tentative call HQ8D) and Swan Islands (NA-035, HQ8S). He is likely to start from NA-160 around 28-31 May (actual dates depend on Navy permission). QSL all calls via KD4POJ. Bookmark http://hriotas.com/ for further information and updates. [TNX DX World]
PA - Roland, DL1EAL will be active again as PA/DL1EAL from Texel Island (EU-038) on 4-16 May. He will be QRV mainly on 10, 15, 20 and 30 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau (email requests for bureau cards to dl1eal[@]darc.de), plus LoTW and eQSL.
PA - Bernard, PD7BZ and others will be active as PD13MILL on 11-12 May from "de Eendracht" in Gieterveen for Holland's National Windmill Day. Look for them on 40, 20 and 10 metres SSB and digital modes. All of the QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau, LoTW and eQSL. Direct cards via PD7BZ. Information on the Windmills On The Air event can be found at www.pd6mill.com
PY - Pedro PR8ZX, Ronaldo PS8RV, Gabriel PU8RGV, Fernando PU8WZT, Ewerton PY8AA and Renato PY8WW will be active as PX8Z from Cotijuba Island (SA-060) on 26-28 July. They will operate SSB and CW and will participate in the IOTA Contest. QSL via PY8WW. [TNX PS7AB]
SM - Joakim, SA7BGN will be active from Krokholmen Island (EU-043) on 5-8 May. He will be QRV on 40, 20 and 17 metres. QSL via SM5DJZ. [TNX rsgbiota.org]
SP - HF55O is a special callsign to be used until 31 May (including participation in the CQ WW WPX CW Contest) to celebrate the 55th anniversary of the Polish Amateur Radio Union's branch in the Province of Opole. QSL via SP6PAZ. [TNX SP6DVP]
SU - SU8N, the IOTA expedition to Nelson's Island (AF-109, new one) [425DXN 1139], is still expected to start on 3 May. The team "will try to be there 24 hours around the clock", their QSL manager reports, "but it's possible that they can only be there for 10-12 hours during the day - the military determine length of stay". They have been granted permission for one week, he adds, "but it costs around 400 USD per day so right now they will be there for three days". The operators are Said SU1SK, Ateff SU1AO, Ayman SU1AR and Yasser SU3YM; they plan to be QRV on 40, 20, 17, 15, 12 and 10 metres. QSL via SM5AQD (QSLling instructions on qrz.com). [TNX DX World]
UA - A very large number of Russian stations using special prefix RP68 (where the letter P stands for 'pobeda', i.e. 'victory') will be active until 9 May to celebrate the 68th anniversary of the end of World War II. See the list maintained by Alan, 5B4AHJ on Club Log's Help Desk (http://clublog.freshdesk.com/support/home)

VP2E - Rich, KE1B (VP2EAQ) and Anna, W6NN (VP2EAR) will be active from Anguilla (NA-022) on 9-16 May. They will operate holiday style on 40-10 metres CW, SSB and RTTY with 100 watts and a Buddipole antenna system directly adjacent to the sea. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau, plus LoTW and eQSL. Logsearch and OQRS on Club Log.
XZ - "During the months of May and June, I may operate XZ1K from Tanintharyi State", Simon, HS0ZIB says. "I will only operate on PSK-31, according to when I have free time. From 1st July, I will be working in Laos, but I will try to return each holiday to re-activate XZ1K. QSLs will only be available via online verification. I will mail out a hard-copy QSL for each QSO verification. I now have a copy of the licence that was issued to me last May for the callsign XZ1K. I have sent this copy, plus other required documents, by courier to the ARRL, for both DXCC consideration and for issue of a LoTW certificate so that I can easily upload any new QSOs to LOTW". [TNX DX World]
YB - Adhi, YB3MM will be active as YB3MM/p from Madura Island (OC-237) on 4-5 May. He will operate SSB only on 15 metres.
YB - Two special callsigns have been issued to John, YB5NOF for his IOTA operations in May [425DXN 1147]. Current plans are for John, Anton YB5QZ and other two operators to be active as YB8P from the Banggai Islands (OC-208) on 16-19 May, and as YE8P from the Togian Islands (OC-213) on 22-26 May. [TNX JN6RZM]

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BALTIC SEA WPX TROPHY ---> This plaque is issued for working stations with Different prefixes (200 for LY and Europe, 100 for DX) located in the ten Baltic Sea countries. Details can be found on the Vytautas Magnus University Radio Club's website (http://rk.vdu.lt). [TNX LY5W]

DX MARATHON ---> A completely new version of the ADIF to CQ Marathon Conversion Program written by Jim AD1C is now available for download at http://software.ad1c.us/marathon/. Version 13.1 creates a completed DX Marathon score sheet from your ADIF file - no more copy/paste required. Version 13.1 will only work with the DX Marathon Scoresheet version 2013.5 or later (which can be downloaded at http://www.dxmarathon.com). [TNX K9EL]

QSL GALLERY ---> The large collection of QSL cards on Les Nouvelles DX's web site has been updated. Fifteen different galleries include more than 10,800 cards for the ten Most Wanted DXCC Entities (2004-12), the 61 deleted DXCC Entities, obsolete prefixes, stations from Maghreb from 1945 to 1962, Allied Forces stations in Germany (1946-69), special stations commemorating ITU and IARU (new gallery), Antarctic bases & TAAF (Terres Australes and Antarctiques Francaises), the various French DXCC island

Entities in the Pacific Ocean, the Indian Ocean and the Americas (from 1945 to 1970), pre-1945 countries, French Departments and CONUS, plus a gallery for cards not accepted by DXCC. Your participation is encouraged - please visit www.LesNouvellesdx.fr [TNX F6AJA]

+ SILENT KEY + Joe Shroeder, W9JUV passed away on 30 April at 83 years of age. With 4X4DK and W2OKM he shared the top position of the Mixed DXCC standings with 394 confirmed entities.

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******* QSL ROUTES *******
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CALL MANAGER CALL MANAGER CALL MANAGER
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3B8BAE K5XK GB75FOC G3SWH R27SBZ UA4SBZ
3B8CW NI5DX GJ100C M0OXO R27UTR RZ4HL
3B8FP N2OO GN4FOC G3SWH RA27AR RN3FK
3Z55O SP6KEO GS4FOC G3SWH RA27DE RA6DE
4J20RO 4J6RO GU100RSGB M0VFC RA27OA UA9OA
4K20RO 4J6RO H44MK K1ER RA27UF RZ4HL
4L6QC LZ1OT H44QX VK4QX RO85MC R8MC
4M5CW W4SO H44RK NR6M RO85MD R8MC
4M5M W4SO HB30OK HB9OCR RO85MN RV9MN
4X65LF 4X4LF HC2/AL1O DH1TW RO85NN UA9NN
4X75FOC 4Z4KX HC2IWM/3 DL5YWM RP68A RK1OWA
4Z65OQ 4Z4OQ HF35KVW SP5KVW RP68AH UA6YW
4Z65TT 4Z5TT HF500PILA SP3YAC RP68FA RK3FV
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5Z4KI YO9AFH IA5A IK2AHB RP68MZ R9AV
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9H1KZ G2BKZ JY9ET M0OXO RU27CS RU4CS
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9H3XX DJ2EH KH0TH JL1UTS RU27WF RM9WF
9J75FOC G3TEV KH6FOC KH6LC RU27WO RV9WB
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9M2SE SP5APW LA5FOC LA5HE SM75FOC SM5COP
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AH0J JA1NVF OD5ZZ NI5DX TO5PX AI5P
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CE1TT EA5KB OZ75FOC OZ8SW UP44WFF UN6QC
CE2AWW VE7WY P29FR I2RFJ UP50ASTR EA7FTR
CN2SS EA2SS PA00KING PB0P V25PM KB4GYT
CN8VX EA7FTR PA150BA PA0FAW V31DX DO4DXA
CO2IR EB7DX PA2013KING PB6W V3FOC V31JP
CS250CLE CS5RPT PA30ALEX PD1WAT V44KAI W5TFW
CW1GM CX2ABC PA33KBX PA0ABM V6H JH3QFL
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DJ75FOC DJ5IL PB2013KWAC PA3EFR V73AY BD4DYH
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DU1/R6AF/p R6AF PC13KING PA1DV VK9NT VK2CA
EH7FDS EA7URS PC6KING PD9ND VP2ETE W3HNK
EI0IMD EI1NC PD6KING PD9ND VP2MRV JA1HGY
EI13CLAN EI6AL PE6KING PD9ND VP9HE W2AF
EI3KG SP9NWN PG6KING PD9ND VU7KV W4VKU
EI5IMD EI2KA PH6KING PD9ND VY/RK0BWW RW0BG
EM40CU UR5CJN PQ9M PY9MM WA1FOC K1SA
EM68J UU2JQ PR2W PT2AW XF2E IT9EJW
EM68U UT4UZA PR3A PY3OZ YC9MLL M0OXO
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EX8NR RW6HS PW2D M0OXO Z81X OH0XX
FG4NN NI5DX PW2F PY2NA ZB2FOC G3SWH
FK8CE LZ1JZ PW7T PT7WA ZD8RH G4DBW
FK8DD LZ1JZ PX8XL PY8MGB ZP5YW W5UE
FK8GX W3HNK R1945HS RW6HS ZP6CW ZP6CU
FO/K7ST EA5GL R27AFM RV3AFM ZV2K PY2SHF
FO/KH0PR JJ8DEN R27EKB RF9C ZW1C PY1ZV
G100RSGB M0VFC R27OGA RA9OGA ZW8T PS8HF
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GB2VEF GM4UYZ R27SAT RA4SAT ZZ7Z PR7RC
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******* CALENDAR *******
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till 31/12 HA1973BA: special callsign 1148
till 31/12 HA30S: special callsign 1136
till 31/12 HB30OK: special callsign 1130
till 31/12 OU1RAEM: special callsign 1130
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21179. ARLP018 Propagation de K7RA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-05-03 21:03:46 UTC
From: jjreisert@...
Topic: 3817 Message: 21179

SB PROP @ ARL $ARLP018
ARLP018 Propagation de K7RA

ZCZC AP18
QST de W1AW
Propagation Forecast Bulletin 18 ARLP018
>From Tad Cook, K7RA
Seattle, WA May 3, 2013
To all radio amateurs

SB PROP ARL ARLP018
ARLP018 Propagation de K7RA

Solar activity made a healthy jump over the past week, with average daily sunspot numbers up over 30 points to 120.9, and average daily solar flux increasing over 27 points to 136.5.

The most active day for geomagnetic indices was May 1, when the planetary A index reached 21 and the high-latitude college A index (measured near Fairbanks, Alaska) was a whopping 57. That number has been higher, but only twice in the past six months, when it was 64 on March 1 and 79 on March 17.

The latest forecast has solar flux at 155 on May 3-4, 150 on May 5-6, 145 on May 7-9, then 140, 125 and 120 on May 10-12, 125 on May 13-15, 120 on May 16-17, then 125, 120, and 130 on May 18-20, 135 on May 21-22 and 130 on May 23-24.

Predicted planetary A index is 8 on May 3-4, 12 on May 5, 8 on May 6, 5 on May 7-20, then 15, 10 and 15 on May 21-23, and then 5 forever after that. This is from a 45 day forecast, so we won't really see quiet conditions forever, but the forecast ends on June 16 with planetary A index of 5 until then.

F.K. Janda, OK1HH has another short forecast for geomagnetic conditions, like last week. He sees the geomagnetic field quiet to unsettled May 3-10, quiet to active May 11-12, and quiet to unsettled May 13-19. That's it!

NASA released a new solar cycle prediction on May 1, but it wasn't really new. These arrive at the start of every month, and remain the same since March 1. On March 1, 2013 the prediction for the smoothed International Sunspot Number at the cycle peak shifted from 69 to 66 for Fall 2013. The 2013 Autumnal Equinox begins in about four months and three weeks. This week the May 2013 issue of CQ Magazine arrived, and across the top of the cover was this headline: "Another Double-Peak Sunspot Cycle?" We certainly hope so.

Time to review our 3-month moving average of sunspot numbers, which has increased. The average daily sunspot number for February, March and April was 85.2. The average daily sunspot number for the three month periods centered on September 2012 through March 2013 were 81.2, 82.3, 74.4, 82.8, 73.6, 80.7 and 85.2. This is a moving average, so 81.2 was the average for August through October 2012, 82.3 was September through November 2012 and so on. But this involves a bit of cherry picking of the data, as the three previous period's averages were 96.5, 91.9 and 89.9.

The average sunspot number for the month of April was 112.8, for March it was 81.1 and February was 60.1.

Eric Ferguson, VE3CR of Burlington, Ontario sent his father-in-law Bruce Jones an article about solar flares, and they both wondered why there are no solar flares at the Sun's poles.

I passed this question on to Robert Steenburgh, KA8JBY who is a Senior Space Weather Forecaster at the NOAA Space Weather Prediction Center.

Robert wrote, "Flares are thought to originate from the deformation of magnetic field lines which break and reconnect. There is a latitudinal band in which this magnetic flux emergence (and hence sunspot formation) and deformation occurs.

"Sunspots typically form at mid-latitudes (equatorward of around 40 degrees) at the beginning of the solar cycle, and the breeding grounds drift towards the equator over the course of the cycle. This behavior is attributed to the solar dynamo. See http://solarscience.msfc.nasa.gov/dynamo.shtml.

"A cartoon depiction of the dynamo process is here:

http://www.nasa.gov/images/content/144061main_CycleDiagramLG.jpg

"You can find a paper on flare distribution for Solar Cycle 23 here:

http://www.ias.ac.in/jaa/junsep2006/JAA10.pdf

"There were 4 flares identified poleward of 50 degrees latitude in that paper, out of a total of 20,186.

"The poles are usually dominated by coronal holes and 'open' magnetic field lines that extend out into the heliosphere. So the mechanisms for flare formation are generally absent."

David Moore sent a link to a NASA video showing ten coronal mass ejections over five days in April:

http://www.nasa.gov/multimedia/videogallery/index.html?media_id=162261751

Mike Snyder, KN8J who lives a few miles south of Harrisville, West Virginia in EM99lf wrote this morning, May 3: "My wife and I are early risers. I mean real early. We're up about 3AM. Generally

speaking, 3 to 5AM produces some fair DX for me.

"Lately it's been getting a bit better on the 20 and 30 meter bands. The South Pacific is usually open at these hours. I've managed a couple QRP contacts with Hawaii. I've noticed parts of Europe open as well. I had a solid QSO with OK1HB from the Czech Republic on 14.062MHz. I was running 100 watts barefoot for this one.

"This morning I finally worked a new one: A35JP in Tonga on 14.003 MHz running up two at 0736 UTC.

"Well, gotta go...someone just spotted FO/KH0PR!"

Mike runs a Cushcraft A4 antenna on a 40 foot tower with the two rear elements askew due to high winds last month. On 160 and 30 meters he uses a fan inverted vee dipole at 35 feet.

He sent this final note: "Just worked A35UD on 10.108 MHz at 1010 UTC. Too bad I gotta go to work now!"

If you would like to make a comment or have a tip for our readers, email the author at, k7ra@....

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service web page at http://arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals. For an explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin, see http://arrl.org/the-sun-the-earth-the-ionosphere. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at http://arrl.org/w1aw-bulletins-archive-propagation. More good information and tutorials on propagation are at http://k9la.us/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://arrl.org/propagation.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of ARRL bulletins are at http://arrl.org/bulletins.

Sunspot numbers for April 25 through May 1 were 93, 104, 100, 97, 136, 165, and 151, with a mean of 120.9. 10.7 cm flux was 119.2, 121.9, 127, 131.7, 142.4, 154.4, and 159.2, with a mean of 136.5. Estimated planetary A indices were 8, 17, 6, 5, 5, 7, and 21, with a mean of 9.9. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 14, 18, 6, 4, 5, 6, and 16, with a mean of 9.9.
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21180. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-05-04 14:01:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21180

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:Issued: 2013 May 04 1141 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30504
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 04 May 2013, 1105UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 04 May 2013 until 06 May 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Active (M-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Active conditions expected (A>=20 or K=4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Warning condition (activity levels expected to increase, but no numeric
forecast given)
PREDICTIONS FOR 04 May 2013 10CM FLUX: 145 / AP: 014
PREDICTIONS FOR 05 May 2013 10CM FLUX: 142 / AP: 022
PREDICTIONS FOR 06 May 2013 10CM FLUX: 142 / AP: 022
COMMENT:In the last 24 hours two M flares were detected by the GOES satellite: a
moderate M1.3 flare, in NOAA AR 1731, at 1655 UT (peak time), and a M5.7
flare in NOAA AR 1739, at 1732 UT (peak time). This region should be
monitored for further M class flares in the coming days, as it begins its
transit on the disk. AR 1731 is still complex enough to produce an isolated
(but likely moderate) M flare as well, and we foresee active conditions for
the next 48 hours. AR 1734 is likely to produce C flares with a slight
chance of an M class event. The M5.7 flare was associated with a wide CME
spotted on the East limb (at 1800 UT on LASCO C2), with an estimated speed
of at least 600 km/s (CACTUS detection). Another CME took off to the south
of AR 1739 at 2200UT. We do not expect these events to be geoeffective. A
filament eruption took place near the central meridian (about 15 degree
North), on May 4th around 0245 UT but no CME can be linked to this event.
We expect geomagnetic activity to reach active conditions by the end of May
4 beginning of May 5 due to a coronal hole and its associated high speed
solar wind stream. Active conditions might continue on May 6 due to the
arrival of the CME of May 2nd.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 079, BASED ON 11 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 03 May 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 093
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 148
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : ///
AK WINGST : 006
ESTIMATED AP : 006
ESTIMATED ISN : 066, BASED ON 24 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
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NONE
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21181. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-05-05 14:01:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21181

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:Issued: 2013 May 05 1209 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30505
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 05 May 2013, 1205UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 05 May 2013 until 07 May 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Active (M-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Active conditions expected (A>=20 or K=4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 05 May 2013 10CM FLUX: 138 / AP: 019
PREDICTIONS FOR 06 May 2013 10CM FLUX: 135 / AP: 021
PREDICTIONS FOR 07 May 2013 10CM FLUX: 135 / AP: 010
COMMENT:Solar activity is currently dominated by NOAA AR 1739, which produced a C8
and a C8.4 flare at respectively 0049 and 0644 UT (peak time) on May 5.
Active conditions are expected with M flares possible from ARs 1739 and
1734, and to a lesser extent from AR 1731. Geomagnetic activity is
expected to reach active levels today and tomorrow, due an expected high
speed solar wind stream linked to a coronal hole, and the possible arrival
on May 6 of the CME of May 2. Current conditions are quiet as observed by
the ACE spacecraft.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 072, BASED ON 14 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 04 May 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 142
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : ///
AK WINGST : 007
ESTIMATED AP : 006
ESTIMATED ISN : 078, BASED ON 14 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
END
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21182. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1111

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-05-05 17:33:29 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 21182 Message: 21182

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Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin No. 1111

The Ohio/Penn DX PacketCluster
DX Bulletin No. 1111
BID: $OPDX.1111
May 6, 2013
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

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* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

2013 AFD. In celebration of the 63rd anniversary of Armed Forces Day (AFD), the Army, Air Force, Navy, Marine Corps and Coast Guard are co-sponsoring the annual Military/Amateur Radio Crossband Communications Test. Although Armed Forces Day is traditionally celebrated on the third Saturday in May

-- May 18th -- the AFD Military/Amateur Crossband Communications Test will be conducted on May 11th to prevent conflict with the Dayton Hamvention, scheduled for May 17-19th. The annual celebration features traditional military-to-amateur crossband communications SSB voice and Morse code tests. These tests give Amateur Radio operators and short wave listeners an opportunity to demonstrate their individual technical skills and to receive recognition from the appropriate military radio station for their proven expertise. QSL cards will be provided to stations making contact with the military stations. Military-to-amateur crossband operations will take place on the dates and time in UTC on the frequencies listed for the Army, Air Force and Navy/Marine Corps and Coast Guard MARS stations. Voice contacts will include operations in single sideband voice (SSB); some stations will use CW to provide the opportunity to check in by Morse code. Depending on propagation and staffing, some stations may not operate the entire period. Participating military stations will transmit on selected military MARS frequencies and listen for Amateur Radio stations in the amateur bands. The military station operator will announce the specific amateur band frequency being monitored. Duration of each voice contact should be limited to 1-2 minutes. The annual Secretary of Defense message will be transmitted via digital modes, including RTTY, PACTOR, AMTOR, PSK-31, MFSK and MT63 from certain stations. Check the MARS Armed Forces Crossband Test website for schedules and frequencies of participating military stations, including a list of stations that will be transmitting the annual Secretary of Defense message at:
http://www.usarmymars.org/home/announcements
Instructions on how to copy and submit the message are also included.

3D2, FIJI. Laci, HA0NAR, will be active as 3D2AR from Viti Levu Island (OC-016, WLOTA 0055), in the Fiji Island group, sometime in October. Activity will probably be on all HF bands, 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via his home callsign. For updates, watch:
http://www.ha0nar.hu

4J, AZERBAIJAN (Special Event). Look for special event callsigns 4J20RO and 4K20RO to be active until the end of the year. Operations seems to be mainly CW so far on 30-10 meters. Activity is to celebrate the 20th anniversary of the "Russian Centre of Science and Culture" in Baku.
QSL via 4J6RO.

4J/4K, AZERBAIJAN (WFF Op). Members of the "Safari DX-Activators Club" are planning to conduct a DXpedition to the Pirgulu Natural Reserve (WFF reference ☐ 4JFF-012, coordinates - 40°47'14"N / 48°34'43"E) between May 9-10th. This will be a first time activation (i.e. "new one").
Activity will be on 40-20 meters; possibly other bands - depending on local and propagation conditions. Two callsigns will be used for this operation: 4J0SFR - CW mostly (QSL via 4J5T)
4K6AE - PSK31 and RTTY mostly
Updated QSL info will be posted on QRZ.com.

9H25, MALTA (Update to OPDX.1110 - Callsign Change). Members of the Dutch Society of Radio Amateurs (VRZA Afd. Kagerland)club station (PI4KGL) will

be active as 9H25Y (not 9H25 as first announced) from Qawra between May 20th and June 4th. The VRZA DXpedition Group had been issued the special callsign 9H25 by the MCA Malta Communications Authority's originally, but they changed their minds and gave them 9H25Y instead! They were not happy at all by this! The group also had to change their Web site! Please note the change: http://members.ziggo.nl/9h25y

A3, TONGA. Just a reminder that Masato "Masa", JA0RQV, will be active as A35JP from Tongatapu Island (OC-049) between May 5-22nd. Activity will be limited as Masa is there working for the Tongan government, so look for him possibly every night (local time) after his work. Operations will be on 80-10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via his home callsign, by the Bureau or direct. For more info, visit Masa new Web page at: http://www.sato3.com/a35jp/index.html

CQ DX MARATHON (Announcing Version 13.1 - ADIF to DX Marathon Conversion Program). John, K9EL, DX Marathon Manager, reports on April 28th: "Today we are announcing a completely new version of the ADIF to CQ Marathon Conversion Program written by Jim, AD1C. Version 13.1, which is now available for download, is a significant enhancement of the previous ADIF conversion program. Version 13.1 creates a completed DX Marathon score sheet from your ADIF file ☐ no more copy/paste required.
Version 13.1 will only work with the Excel version of the DX Marathon Score Sheet version 2013.5 or later, so please delete any copies of earlier score sheets you may have. The latest scoresheet can be downloaded here: http://www.dxmarathon.com/Submission/2013/Submission2013.htm
Although this new program has been thoroughly tested, there may still be bugs and we would appreciate hearing about any issues. As always, this program is a tool to assist you in submitting your DX Marathon score ☐ you must review the final output and the author assumes no responsibility for any errors or omissions in your submission.
Version 13.1 of the program can be downloaded here:
http://software.ad1c.us/marathon
I wish to recognize the superb efforts by Jim, AD1C, in creating this excellent DX Marathon tool..... 73, John K9EL DX Marathon Manager"
Join the DXMarathon Group on Yahoo Groups!

CR5, PORTUGAL (Castle Op). Members of the "Clube Radioamadores do Entroncamento" (CRE) will use the special callsign CR5AT on May 18th from Amieira do Tejo Castel (WCA reference CT-0086, DCFP reference C-086, DMHP reference PG-010 and DMP reference 1212 for the Portuguese Castles Award). Operation will be on the HF bands using CW, SSB and Digital modes. Amieira do Tejo Castel is located in the Province of Portalegre. QSL via CS5CRE.
CRE Web Page: https://sites.google.com/site/radioamadoresentroncamento
CRE FACEBOOK Page: https://www.facebook.com/groups/cs5cre

DAYTON HAMVENTION NEWS (DX Activities Featured at ARRL EXPO). The ARRL Letter reports this week: "The ARRL will present a variety of DX activities as part of the ARRL EXPO -- the ARRL's 'show within a show' at the 2013 Dayton Hamvention, to be held May 17-19th at Hara Arena, near Dayton, Ohio. Activities will include DXCC card checking and the opportunity to

drop off QSL cards for the ARRL Outgoing QSL Bureau, as well as to apply for awards, such as the IARU Worked All Continents Award, the IARU Region 3 Operating Award and several awards administered by the Japan Amateur Radio League. In addition, representatives from the International Amateur Radio Union and several IARU Member Societies will be on hand within the EXPO area." For complete details, see:
http://www.arrl.org/news/dx-activities-featured-at-arrl-expo-at-the-2013-dayton-hamvention

E5, SOUTH COOK ISLANDS (Update/75th FOC Op). Tony, ZL2AGY, who will once again be active as E51AGY from Rarotonga Island (OC-013) starting May 7th for about 24 days, announced on May 5th [edited]: "I may be active with this callsign [E51FOC] during the period May 9-29th, from Matavera, Rarotonga. This will be a holiday style operation, CW only, running my K3 barefoot. Note, I am a member of the 'First Class CW Operator's Club', which is currently celebrating its 75th anniversary during May. A QSO with an 'FOC' suffixed call will give you extra points for the award commemorating this event. See <www.g4foc.org> for details. My 'normal' Cook Islands call is E51AGY, which I may also be using. Hoping to see you on the bands....73, Tony"

FO, FRENCH POLYNESIA. By the time you read this, Al, KZ3AB, aboard the "MS Paul Gauguin", is expected to activate some of the Polynesian Islands as a portable set up on 40/20/15/10 meters SSB until May 13th. The islands mentioned are Moorea (OC-046, DIFO FO-010, WLOTA 0465), Tahiti (OC-046, DIFO FO-002, WLOTA 0885), Bora Bora (OC-067, DIFO FO-003, WLOTA 0430), Raiatea (OC-067, DIFO FO-012, WLOTA 1977) and Taha'a (OC-067, DIFO FO-013, WLOTA 3909). QSL via WA3EOP.

FT5Z, AMSTERDAM ISLAND (Press Release). The following press release was sent out by Ralph Fedor, K0IR, team leader of the January 2014 Amsterdam Island (FT5ZM) DXpedition, on May 3rd [edited]: "Since our last Press release early last month, we have a great deal of news to report.
We have received the callsign FT5ZM. It is a good callsign and we thank the TAAF for their cooperation. Two new team members have joined the team of fourteen. They are Neil, VA7DX and Andy, UA3AB. Both men are veterans of many DXpedtions and add expertise to the list of operators.
Several more sponsors have joined in with their support, Spiderbeam, Cycle 24 Antennas, and Array Solutions. Array Solutions will be providing the new OM Power amplifiers for our low band operations.
The team will assemble in Perth, Australia, on January 10/11, 2014.
The DXpedition vessel Braveheart will arrive on January 12th, and loading of equipment and personal items will begin. The North Coast Radio Group of Western Australia, along with Alek, VK6APK, will be offering logistical support to the FT5ZM Amsterdam Island DXpedition Team. The VK6's will assist in obtaining masts, ground rods, electrical hardware, and some medical supplies. This will result in a substantial decrease in the bulk and weight of material that the team has to ship from the U.S. We plan to depart for the 9 day trip to Amsterdam Island on January 15th.
We are grateful to the growing list of DX Foundations, DX Clubs and individual DXers who have contributed toward the DXpeditions expenses. NCDXF, INDEXA, ARRL/Colvin and several European based DX Foundations

have made unusually large commitments. They are aware of the extreme
cost of the venture at over 400,000 USDs. (see our budget on the website.)
However, thus far, we have only raised just over 53% of the money that
we need to complete this DXpedition. As payments on the vessel begin
next month, we must ask the world-wide DX community for their support.
Visit our website at: <www.amsterdamdx.org> and contribute whatever
you can. We need your help.
Thanks... we will update you monthly until departure."

GH3, JERSEY. Members of the Jersey Contest Group from GJ2A contest
station will activate the special callsign GH3IT between May 11-12th.
The GH3IT callsign will be used for pile-up training purposes prior to
major contests. Activity will be on all HF bands, with a focus on the
the lower bands and 30/17/12 meter bands using CW and SSB. Operators
mentioned are Paul/MJ0PMA, Mathieu/MJ0ASP, Phil/GJ4CBQ and Steve/MJ0ULE.
The log will be uploaded promptly to LoTW and Clublog after each operation.
Use the OQRS for direct and Bureau cards (Your QSL is not needed) at:
https://secure.clublog.org/logsearch/GH3IT

HC8, GALAPAGOS ISLANDS. By the time you read this, Daniel, DL5YWM, who
was active as HC3/DL5YWM from Isla Jambeli (SA-034) this past week,
should be active as HC2IWM/8 from Santa Cruz Island (SA-004) in the
Galapagos Island group until May 11th. Activity will be holiday style
on 40-6 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via his home callsign.

HD8, GALAPAGOS ISLAND (A Rare Prefix To Be Activated!). Operators Alex/HD2A
and Alberto/HC2AQ will be active as HD8A from Santa Cruz Islands (SA-004,
WLOTA 1667, WWFF HCFF-004), Galapagos Islands, for 4 days starting May
15th. Activity will be on the HF bands using a TS-590 with an amp into a
TH6 beam and wire antennas. QSL via HD2A, direct only (QRZ.com).

HONDURAN IOTA EXPEDITION. Dan, HM2DMR, plans to activate the following
Honduran IOTA Islands between late May to July (dates depend on Navy
permission: NA-223 ☐ Vivorillos (callsign HQ8D), NA-035 ☐ Santanilla
(callsign HQ8S) and NA-160 ☐ Cochinos (callsign HQ3W). He states, "It's
likely that Cochinos NA-160 will be activated first, around the period
May 28-31st. Callsigns have been requested and currently tentative.
Activity will be on 160-10 meters. For more details and updates, watch:
http://hriotas.com

IOTA NEWS.............
AS-073. A Web page, with pictures, video and wrap-up of the recent
Malaysian Special Expedition Team's activity as 9M2SE from
Perhentian Besar Island between May 1-3rd, is now available
at: http://9m2pju.blogspot.com/2013/05/9m2se-perhentian-island-iota-as-073.html

AF-109. (New IOTA) The DX-World.net reported on Sunday, May 5th:
"FLASH NEWS @ 0830z ☐ The SU8N [Nelson's Island] team are
currently QRT due to a broken generator. They plan to return
to the island but no firm time-frame has been set. Update to
follow.."

EU-009. Operators Pierre/ON7PC and Fred/ON6QR will be active as MM/ON6QR
from Orkney Islands, West Mainland, during the RSGB IOTA Contest
(July 27-28th) as a Multi-Op/All-Band/All-Modes/Low-Power entry.
QSL via the home callsign.

EU-010. Paul, M3KBU, will be active as MM3KBU/p from South Uist Island
(IOSA OH03, SCOTIA HI06, WLOTA 2972), Outer Hebrides, between
July 26th and August 2nd. Activivty will include the RSGB IOTA
Contest (July 27-28th). QSL via M3KBU, direct only (QRZ.com).

EU-023. Bruno, F4CZU, will be active as 9H3ZU from Gozo Island, Malta,
between May 11-18th. Activity will be on the HF bands, probably
40-10 meters. QSL via his home callsign.

EU-038. Roland, DL1EAL, will be active as PA/DL1EAL from Texel Island
(WLOTA 0043) until May 15th. Activity will be holiday style
on 40-10 meters using 100 watts into vertical antennas. QSL
via his home callsign, by the Bureau or direct.

EU-043. Joakim, SA7BGN, will be active as homecall/p from Krokholmen
Island, an uninhabited island in the Skagerak Sea, between
May 5-8th. Activity will be on 40/20/17 meters on SSB using
a simple wire antenna and 100 watts. QSL via SM5DJZ.

EU-048. Members of the Club Radio Amateurs of Lanester [CRAL] (F6KPQ)
will be active as TM2BI from Belle Ile en Mer Island between
July 24-31st Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB
and the Digital modes. They will also participate in the RSGB
IOTA Contest. Operators mentioned are Michel/F1SRC, Jean-Yves/
F4EHM, Gwena/F4FHZ, Mickael/F4FFZ, David/F4FDA, Jean-François/
F6DZD, Philippe/F6AUP, Chris/F5CBQ and Philippe/F5PHW. QSL
via F6KPQ, direct, by the Bureau and via LoTW. Visit their
Web page at: http://iota.f6kpq.org

EU-107. Members of the Babaow Island Gang will be active as TM0BIG
from Petite Island (DIFM MA055) between 0700z, June 4th and
1300z, June 5th. Operators mentioned are Gil/F4FET, Diego/
F4HAU and SWL Ludo. Activity will be on 40/20/17/15/10 meters.
QSL via F4FET.

EU-172. Noel, OO4O, will be active again as OZ/OO4O from Langeland
Island (WLOTA 0590) between May 19-25th. Activity will be
mainly SSB/CW on the HF bands. QSL via LoTW and the Belgian
QSL Bureau.

SA-060. (Update) Operators Renato/PY8WW, Ewerton/PY8AA, Fernando/PU8WZT,
Ronaldo/PS8RV, Pedro/PR8ZX and Gabriel/PU8RGV will be active
as PX8Z from Cotijuba Island (DIB PA-14, ARLHS-278, DFB PA-13,
WLOTA 2855) between July 26-28th. Activity coincides with the
RSGB IOTA Contest weekend. Operations will be on all bands
using CW and SSB. QSL via PY8WW.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (May 6-12th)....
May/06th AN May/09th AN May/11th AN
May/07th AN May/10th AN May/12th AN
May/08th AN

SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS/INDEXES AND GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE
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NORMALITY	GEOMAG K Values	Alpha
AN - Above Normal	Quiet K=0-1	0-7
HN - High Normal	Unsettled K=2	8-15
LN - Low Normal	Active K=3	16-29
BN - Below Normal	Minor Storm K=4	30-49
DIS - Disturbed	Major Storm K=5	50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed	Severe Storm K=6-9	100-400

KH9, WAKE ISLAND (Press Release). Joe, W8GEX, sent out the following press release on May 5th [edited]: "Press Release #3 - Wake Atoll Commemorative DXpedition -- The Wake Atoll commemorative team's operation at the beginning of October, 2013 is progressing nicely.
The initial phase of the operation, planning, is essentially complete and the Team has moved into equipment procurement and staging operations. The equipment will be pre-staged in California and Hawaii prior to transport to Wake. Staging, pre-testing, packing, and shipping under the direction of Tom, ND2T, and Kimo, KH6U, are major undertakings for DXpeditions and are essential to assure equipment arriving on-time and safely on Wake.
Our support Team has been expanded to include these additional Pilot Stations: Hiroo, JA1WSX (Japan/Asia); Stan, KH6CG (Oceania) and Rich, KY6R (USA). Additionally, Val, NV9L, has agreed to be the chief pilot for the operation. As mentioned in the previous release, this support Team is an essential part of the DXpedition's operation. The information they gather from the DX communities' feedback during the event, allows the 'on island team' to adjust their activities to meet changing band conditions and optimize QSOs worldwide.
Stu, K6TU, will be developing in-depth propagation summaries which will be posted on our website and Don, N1DG, has been guiding the team on Logistical issues.
The Team wants to thank the DX Community, including generous worldwide Foundations and Clubs, equipment manufacturers and outlets for their outstanding support of the Wake Commemorative efforts. These DXpeditions are extremely expensive and could not be accomplished without the support of the entire DX Community. Please visit the <wake2013.org> website to view our Sponsors and make your personal donation.
Please check our website often for updates. http://www.wake2013.org/
73, K9W Wake Atoll Management Team"

OA, PERU. DXer and World Traveller Vlad, UA4WHX, is currently active as OA4/UA4WHX from Peru. His length of stay is unknown at this time. Activity has been on 30/17/12m RTTY. QSL via details on QRZ.com.

OW75, FAROE ISLANDS (75th FOC Event). Carsten, OY1CT, will be active as OW75FOC from Faroe Islands during the month of May, to celebrate the 75th anniversary of the "First Class CW Operators' Club". Activity will be on the HF bands. QSL via OY1CT.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (For May 5th)

3B8BAE via K5XK HF55O via SP6PAZ RP68TG via RK9DC
5B75FOC via M0URX HF2013MAJ via SP9PDG RZ9ON/0 via UA9OA
9H3XX via DJ2EH HG7T via HA7TM S545DSW via S51DSW
9N7SZ via JA9LSZ HG8C via HA8EK SF3HF via SM3NXS
A25JR via N5JR IA5A via IK2AHB SP0CFF via SP2FAP
AH0J via JA1NVF II9K via IT9HBT SV9/OH1VR via OH1VR
E7/OE1LIC via OE1LIC JD1BLC via JP1IOF TM0SI via F5LOW
EA8/S55OO via S55OO K4D via WB4OMM TM02REF via F5BBD
ED4DOC via EA4DOC LZ110RF via LZ1YE TM57M via F-11734
EH2MEN via EG2MCK LZ125VZ via LZ2KLR TS8TI via IK2DUW
EM2G via UR7GO OA4/UA4WHX via UA4WHX UN/R9DA via R9DA
EM68U via UT4UZA OH0/OI3V via OI3V V6S via JH3AZC
EN1IFF via UR3IQT PH6KING via PD9ND V25PM via KB4GYT
EN68JK via UU4JDD R27UFA via RM8W VP2MRV via JA1HGY
F/DL9SEP/P via DL9SEP R1945HS via RW6HS (d) YE90PK via YB1LZ
GN4FOC via G3SWH RP68FA via RK3FV YN/IK2PFL via IK2PFL
HC2/AL1O via DH1TW RP68KA via RY3D Z320T via DJ0LZ (d)
HC2IWM/8 via DL5YWM RP68MZ via R9AV
(e) eQSL only (d) direct only (B) Bureau only (L) LoTW only

75TH FOC SPECIAL EVENT QSL INFO (TNX Lothar, DL1SBF).....
4X75FOC via 4Z4KX HZ1FOC via 7Z1HL PA75FOC via PA5V
5B75FOC via 5B4AGN II0FOC via IK0IXI R75FOC via R6AF
5T1FOC via 5T0JL II6FOC via IK6BAK S575FOC via S57WJ
7Q7FOC via G3MRC II7FOC via I7ALE SW5FOC via G2JL
9J75FOC via G3TEV IS0FOC via IS0AFM TM75FOC via F6HKA
A65FOC via G4BWP K0FOC via W0ZR V3FOC via V31JP
DJ75FOC via DJ5IL K2FOC via WB2YQH VA3FOC via VE3BHZ
DK75FOC via DJ6SI K6FOC via W6IJ VE6FOC via VE6BF
EM75FOC via UU5JZ K7FOC via AC2K VQ975FOC via ND9M
EO75FOC via US9PA KH6FOC via KH6LC W1FOC via K1AJ
GB75FOC via G3SWH KM4FOC via K2SX W2FOC via N2KW
GC4FOC via G3SWH LA5FOC via LA5HE W3FOC via KR3E
GH4FOC via G3SWH LY75FOC via LY2PX W5FOC via K5NA
GN4FOC via G3SWH LZ75FOC via LZ1AF W6FOC via W6CYX
GP4FOC via G3SWH N4FOC via W4CK W9FOC via W9RGB
GS4FOC via G3SWH N8FOC via W8AV WA1FOC via K1SA
GT4FOC via G3SWH OK7FOC via OK1TN WG4FOC via K3TW

For more details about the FOC event, see OPDX.1110 or go to:
http://www.g4foc.org

NEW QSL MANAGER. Ron, AC7DX, reports that he is now be the QSL manager for the "Six Stars Contest Station" - LP5D. QSL via AC7DX, direct, by

the Bureau or LoTW. Please see mailing info QRZ.com.

VY0/VE3VID (NA-174) QSL STATUS. David, VE3VID, states, "QSL cards are being sent out, and he is half way through answering QSL requests that have arrived". Please hold you E-mail inquiries.

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 5H1DX, 5U9AMO, D2EB, DU1IST, F6CSR, HA5BSW, JG7MFN, JH1BED, OX3IO, OZ/PA1H, RA0CHK, S55O, TO2D and ZS8M

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 9M4SLL, EA9/DL2RNS, HD2A, PJ7AA, PT0S, T2TT, TB4/DJ7RJ, VK3TZ/3, XR0YG, XV1X, XW4XR, ZK3T and ZL9HR

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 4L5O, 5X4DEL, 6W/AA1AC, 8P1A, AL9A, CR3E, CX1AA, E4/OM2DX, EY8/K4ZW, FM5WD, HI3/W1JNZ, HT2N, HZ1DX, IS0/OM3PC, J79UN, JY4NE, KH2L, KL1V, KL2RD, KL5E, KL7GLL, KL7IWC, NP2L, OX3PG, P40A, P40M, P41USA, PJ2T, PJ2/K2NV, PJ2/W8QID, PJ2/W9VA, PJ4W, PJ4/W9NJY, PY0FF, SV9/OM4KK, TF/OM5CD, UK8FF, V85TX, VP5/NE7D, VP5/K9PPY, VQ90JC, VQ99JC, YB0AZ, YI9AJ, ZF2DF, ZK2V, ZK2X and ZS6TQ

V3, BELIZE. Just a reminder that Bob, K4UUK, will be active as V31RD from Belize until May 18th. Activity will be on 80-6 meters SSB. QSL via his home callsign, direct (preferred) or by the Bureau.

V4, ST. KITTS (New Contest Callsign). John, W5JON/V47JA, informs OPDX that he has a new contest callsign for his vacation home in Calypso Bay, St. Kitts (NA-104, WW Loc. FK87SG). Look for him to sign V49J during the contests between July 9th and August 10th. His contest callsign is good until the end of the year, but he plans to renew it for two more years when he renews his V47JA and Cathy's, V47HAM for another two years this November. ALL QSLs go to W5JON direct or via LoTW. NO Bureau QSLs.

XR0, JUAN FERNANDEZ (Update/Press Release) [edited]. "After many months of careful planning, the XR0ZR team is pleased and proud to announce preparations for a multi-national Dxpedition to Robinson Crusoe Island in the Juan Fernandez Archipelago (CE0Z), using the callsign XR0ZR. It is our privilege to activate this entity during the period November 8□20th, 2013.
The Juan Fernández Islands (Spanish: Archipiélago Juan Fernández) are a sparsely inhabited island group reliant on tourism and fishing in the South Pacific Ocean, situated about 600 kilometers off the coast of Chile, and is composed of three main volcanic islands; Robinson Crusoe Island, Alejandro Selkirk Island and Santa Clara Island.
On the Club-Log's most wanted DXCC list, Juan Fernandez, CE0Z ranks as #35 on the most wanted list for all amateur radio operators, #23 on the most wanted list for Asia, #27 on the most needed list for CW operations, and #18 on the most needed list for Digital Operations.
The Team is meeting in Santiago, Chile, and will depart by a chartered aircraft on November 7th. The Team expects become active on November 8th.
The main goals of this DXpedition are to work every amateur radio operator who needs Juan Fernandez, (CE0Z) for a new DXCC country. In addition, we will be active on all bands and modes from 1.8 MHz to 50 MHz with special attention to be made to accommodate distant stations during periods when

propagation permits. We are planning to have 4 stations running simulta-
neously and hope to make thousand contacts worldwide.
We are kindly seeking Club and Individual Sponsors to help us defray
the costs of carrying out this important Dxpedition.
Our team will consist of the following Operators: Fabri-IW3SQY (Team
Leader), Franco-IZ8GCE, Paolo-IV3DSH, Josep-EA3AKY, Les-SP3DOI, Dino-CE3PG,
and Art-WA7NB.
We wish everyone good propagation and we hope that you enjoy working
the XR0ZR Team.
Thank you for your assistance in helping make this a world class
DXpedition. You can follow us on:
Website : http://www.juanfernandez2013.com
Facebook : https://www.facebook.com/groups/xr0zr/
Twitter : @xr0zr
73 de XR0ZR Team"

YE30, INDONESIA (Special Event). Members of the Organisasi Amateur Radio Indonesia (ORARI) will be active as YE30P from Merauke between 0000z, May 15th and 2400z, May 17th. Activity is to celebrate the 30th Anniversary and Provincial Congress of "ORARI Daerah Papua". Operations will be on all modes (CW/SSB/RTTY) by 2 stations on at the same time. QSL Manager is YB9WR. All qsl card should be addressed ONLY to: PO BOX 1096, Jakarta 10010 Indonesia (see details on QRZ.com). For more details, see their Web page at: http://ye30p.wordpress.com

YB8/YE8, INDONESIA (IOTA Op). Operators John/YB5NOF, Anton/YB5QZ Anton and possibly two others will activate two IOTA islands in Indonesia.
The tentative days, callsigns and IOTAs are as follows:
May 16-19th - Callsign YE8P; Banggai Island (OC-208), located at the far eastern end of Central Sulawesi, Indonesia.
May 22-26th - Callsign YB8P; Togian Island (OC-213), in the Gulf of Tomini, off the coast of Central Sulawesi, Indonesia.
Watch the IOTA frequencies. QSL Manager will be announced soon.

Z8, SOUTH SUDAN (Mission Goodwill To Juba). Operators Olli/OH0XX and Martti/OH2BH posted a press release/update on May 3rd, about their operations in Juba on QRZ.com at: http://www.qrz.com/db/Z81X

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21183. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-05-06 14:01:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21183

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:Issued: 2013 May 06 1303 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
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SIDC URSIGRAM 30506
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 06 May 2013, 1305UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 06 May 2013 until 08 May 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Active conditions expected (A>=20 or K=4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 06 May 2013 10CM FLUX: 139 / AP: 016
PREDICTIONS FOR 07 May 2013 10CM FLUX: 127 / AP: 010
PREDICTIONS FOR 08 May 2013 10CM FLUX: 125 / AP: 007
COMMENT:Solar activity has been active during the past 24 hours, featuring one M1.4
flare released by NOAA AR 11739on May 5 with peak time 17:56 UT. In
addition, 13 C flares were registered. More C-level flares are expected
within the next 48 hours, with a chance for an M flare from AR 11739 and
11734. The IMF started rising at about 7h UT on May 5 (4 nT), and has been
turbulent since about 15h UT on May 5. Current values lie around 12 nT, but
no large negative excursions of Bz occurred since then. Solar wind speeds
as observed by ACE started a turbulent rise at about 15h UT on May 5 (400
km/s), and are now near 520 km/s. These effects are probably caused by a
co-rotating interaction region followed by a positive-polarity coronal hole
high speed stream. The influence of this high speed stream is expected to
decrease on May 7. Geomagnetic activity was at quiet to active levels (K
Dourbes between 0 and 4; NOAA Kp between 1 and 3) during the past 24 hours.
Quiet to Active (K Dourbes < 5) conditions are expected for May 6 to 8.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 078, BASED ON 17 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 05 May 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 137
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : ///
AK WINGST : 012
ESTIMATED AP : 010
ESTIMATED ISN : 075, BASED ON 25 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
END
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21184. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-05-07 14:01:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21184

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:Issued: 2013 May 07 1246 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30507
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 07 May 2013, 1205UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 07 May 2013 until 09 May 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 07 May 2013 10CM FLUX: 127 / AP: 012
PREDICTIONS FOR 08 May 2013 10CM FLUX: 125 / AP: 010
PREDICTIONS FOR 09 May 2013 10CM FLUX: 125 / AP: 007
COMMENT:Solar activity has been eruptive during the past 24 hours, featuring three
C flares from NOAA AR 11731, 11734 and new region 11736. More C-level
flares are expected within the next 48 hours, with a slight chance for an M
flare. In the last 24 hours, the IMF has decreased from 14 to 6 nT,
probably due to the influence of a coronal hole high speed stream. Solar
wind speeds have ranged between about 460 and 540 km/s, and currently lie
around 520 km/s. Bz has been mainly positive, hence geomagnetic activity
has been at quiet levels (K Dourbes between 2 and 3; NOAA Kp between 2 and
3) during the past 24 hours. Quiet geomagnetic conditions (K Dourbes < 4)
are expected for May 7 to 9.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 078, BASED ON 16 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 06 May 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 131
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 015
AK WINGST : 012
ESTIMATED AP : 010
ESTIMATED ISN : 078, BASED ON 23 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
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21185. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-05-08 14:01:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21185

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:Issued: 2013 May 08 1250 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
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# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
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SIDC URSIGRAM 30508
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 08 May 2013, 1205UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 08 May 2013 until 10 May 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 08 May 2013 10CM FLUX: 127 / AP: 010
PREDICTIONS FOR 09 May 2013 10CM FLUX: 127 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 10 May 2013 10CM FLUX: 127 / AP: 007
COMMENT:Solar activity has been eruptive during the past 24 hours, featuring five C
flares from NOAA AR 11731, 11738, and a new unnumbered region near N03E89.
More C-level flares are expected within the next 48 hours, with a slight
chance for an M flare. In the last 24 hours, the IMF has decreased further
from 6 to 4 nT. Due to the influence of a coronal hole high speed stream,
solar wind speeds have ranged between about 480 and 560 km/s, and currently
lie around 500 km/s. Similar solar wind speeds are likely on May 8 and 9,
with a probably return to lower values on May 10. Geomagnetic activity has
been at quiet levels (K Dourbes between 2 and 3; NOAA Kp between 2 and 3)
during the past 24 hours. Quiet geomagnetic conditions (K Dourbes < 4) are
expected for May 8 to 10.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 079, BASED ON 10 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 07 May 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 111
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 129
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 014
AK WINGST : 010
ESTIMATED AP : 009
ESTIMATED ISN : 076, BASED ON 27 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
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21186. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
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From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21186

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#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30509
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 09 May 2013, 1205UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 09 May 2013 until 11 May 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 09 May 2013 10CM FLUX: 127 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 10 May 2013 10CM FLUX: 127 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 11 May 2013 10CM FLUX: 128 / AP: 007
COMMENT:Flaring activity remains at low level. A C3.4 flare peaked at 05:23 UT in
NOAA AR 1734 (Cat 59). More C-class flaring can be expected in the coming
days, with a slight chance for an M-flare. Two filament eruptions are
visible in AIA 304 data around 05:20 UT, one to the north and one to the
south. Several CMEs were observed in coronagraph data, but none are earth-
directed. Geomagnetic conditions remain quiet. The solar wind speed
remains elevated (around 500 km/s) due to the influence of a coronal hole.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 078, BASED ON 11 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 08 May 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 127
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 012
AK WINGST : 009
ESTIMATED AP : 008
ESTIMATED ISN : 082, BASED ON 18 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
END
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21187. ARLD019 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-05-09 21:51:30 UTC
From: jjreisert@...
Topic: 3912 Message: 21187

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ARLD019 DX news

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DX Bulletin 19 ARLD019
>From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT May 9, 2013
To all radio amateurs

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ARLD019 DX news

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by NC1L, QRZ DX, The Weekly DX, the OPDX Bulletin, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, DXNL, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

AZERBAIJAN, 4J. Special event stations 4J20RO and 4K20RO are QRV to the end of 2013 in celebration of the 20th anniversary of the Russian Centre of Science and Culture in Baku. Activity of late has been on 30 to 10 meters using mainly CW. QSL both calls via 4J6RO.

MALDIVES, 8Q. Jim, G3VDB will be QRV as 8Q7EJ from Komandoo Island, IOTA AS-013, from May 13 to 26. Activity will be holiday style mainly on 20 meets using CW and SSB. QSL to home call.

CUBA, CO. Lazaro, CO2WL, Gustavo, CO2NO, and Rene, CO2RVA will be QRV as T42T for the Volta World Wide RTTY Contest. QSL via HA3JB.

JERSEY, GJ. Members of the Jersey Contest Group will be QRV with special call sign GH3IT on May 11 and 12. The purpose of this operation is for pile-up training purposes prior to major contests. Activity will be on all HF bands using CW and SSB. QSL via operators' instructions.

SCOTLAND, GM. Members of the Camb-Hams are QRV as GS3PYE/p from the Isle of Mull, IOTA EU-008, until May 16. Activity is with five stations on 160 to 10 meters, including 60 meters and possibly 6, 4 and 2 meter with some EME if conditions allow. They may also be active on 472 kHz. QSL via operators' instructions.

GALAPAGOS ISLAND, HC8. Operators Alex, HD2A and Alberto, HC2AQ will be QRV as HD8A from Santa Cruz Island, IOTA SA-004, from May 15 to 19. Activity will be on the HF bands. QSL direct via HD2A.

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC, HI. Ronny, OT4R is QRV as HI7/OT4R from Punta Cana, IOTA NA-096, until June 1. Activity is on 20, 15 and 10 meters each day around 2000 to 2200z. QSL to home call.

JAPAN, JA. Special event station 8J2KSG7X is QRV until October 31 in celebration of the 70 year jubilee of the city of Kasugai. Activity is on all bands and modes. QSL via bureau.

FAROE ISLANDS, OY. Carsten, OY1CT is QRV as OW75FOC during the month of May in celebration of the 75th anniversary of the First Class CW Operators' Club. Activity is on the HF bands. QSL to home call.

NETHERLANDS, PA. A group of operators will be QRV as PF24MILL on May 11 and 12 in celebration of Holland's National Windmill Day. Activity will be on 40, 20 and 10 meters using SSB and digital modes. QSL via bureau.

POLAND, SP. Special event station HF500PILA is QRV until May 31 in celebration of 500 years of the city Saw and 100 years of Pila airport. QSL via SP3YAC.

DODECANESE, SV5. A group of operators are QRV as SX5KL from Kalolimnos Island, IOTA EU-001, until May 20. Activity is on all bands and modes. QSL via SV1GRM.

CRETE, SV9. Alessandro, IK4ALM and Carlo, IZ4WJA will be QRV as SV9/home calls from May 13 to 20. Activity will be on 40 to 10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL to home calls.

ANGUILLA, VP2E. Rich, KE1B and Anna, W6NN are QRV as VP2EAQ and VP2EAR, respectively, until May 16. Activity is on 40 to 10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL to home calls.

INDONESIA, YB. Members of the Organisasi Amateur Radio Indonesia will be active as YE30P from Merauke from May 15 to 17 in celebration of the 30th Anniversary and Provincial Congress of ORARI Daerah Papua. Activity will be on all HF bands and modes with two Stations. QSL via YB9WR.

PRINCE EDWARD AND MARION ISLANDS, ZS8. Carson, ZR6CWI and David, ZS1BCE will be QRV as ZS8C and ZS8Z, respectively, from Marion Island, IOTA AF-021, while on work assignment until April 2014. QSL via ZS1HF.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The CQ-M International DX Contest, Portuguese Navy Day Contest, FISTS Spring CW Sprint, NCCC RTTY Sprint, NCCC Sprint CW Ladder, Slobozhansky Sprint Contest, VK/Trans-Tasman 80-Meter Phone Contest, EUCW Fraternizing CW QSO Party, SKCC Weekend CW Sprintathon, VOLTA World Wide RTTY Contest, HPC World Wide DX BPSK63 Contest, Nevada Mustang Roundup and the 50 MHz Spring Sprint will certainly keep contesters busy this upcoming weekend. The RSGB 80-Meter Club Data Championship is scheduled for May 15. Please see May QST, page 80, and the ARRL and WA7BNM

Contest websites for details.
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21188. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-05-10 14:01:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21188

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#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30510
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 10 May 2013, 1205UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 10 May 2013 until 12 May 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 10 May 2013 10CM FLUX: 133 / AP: 006
PREDICTIONS FOR 11 May 2013 10CM FLUX: 133 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 12 May 2013 10CM FLUX: 128 / AP: 017
COMMENT:Solar activity has been active during the past 24 hours, featuring eleven C
flares and one M3.9 flare. The M flare was produced by AR 11744 (which also
released the majority of the C flares) and had its peak around 00:57 UT on
May 10. More C-level flares are expected within the next 48 hours, with a
good chance for an M flare, especially from NOAA AR 11744. A large filament
eruption was observed in the southwest by AIA imagery around 17h UT on May
9. A bright associated CME was registered by LASCO C2 and STEREO COR2 A and
B around 19h UT. This CME and its shock wave will likely not reach Earth.
In the last 24 hours, the IMF has been steady around 4 nT, while solar wind
speeds have decreased from about 480 and to 430 km/s. A further decrease is
expected, up to May 12, when a weak coronal hole high speed stream may
cause solar wind speeds to increase again. Geomagnetic activity has been at
quiet levels (K Dourbes between 0 and 3; NOAA Kp = 1) during the past 24
hours. Quiet geomagnetic conditions (K Dourbes < 4) are expected for May 10
to 12, with a chance for active levels (K Dourbes = 4) on May 12, due to a
weak coronal hole high speed stream.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 081, BASED ON 10 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 09 May 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 140
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 128
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 006
AK WINGST : 004
ESTIMATED AP : 004
ESTIMATED ISN : 077, BASED ON 21 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
10 0044 0057 0108 ////// M3.9 VI/1 1744
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21189. 425 DX News - #1149

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-05-10 16:58:48 UTC
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Topic: 21189 Message: 21189

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** DX INFORMATION ****
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8Q - Jim, G3VDB will be active again as 8Q7EJ from the Maldives (AS-013) on 13-26 May. He will operate holiday style on 20 metres CW and possibly SSB. Logsearch on Club Log; QSL via home call and LoTW.
9A - Once again Jan, PA4JJ will be active holiday style as 9A/PA4JJ from Porec (Croatian mainland) from 20 May to 6 June. He will operate mainly digital modes on 30, 17 and 12 metres. QSL via home call. Logsearch at www.pa4jj.nl. [TNX PA4JJ]
9A - Look for Stefano 9A/IV3LZQ, Paolo 9A/IV3PUT, Francesco 9A/IV3EDU and Andy 9A3JH to be active from the island of Sveti Nikola (EU-110) on 25-29 July. They will operate CW and SSB on 80-6 metres, and will participate in the IOTA Contest as 9A/IV3LZQ. QSL via IV3LZQ. Online logs will be available on www.arimanzano.it. [TNX IV3LZQ]
CO - CL6RLD, CO6EC, CO6LC, CO6LP, CO6WYR and CO6YAC will be active as T46C from IOTA group NA-204 on 13-17 June. They will operate SSB, CW and RTTY on all bands with three stations. QSL via EA5GL. [TNX NG3K]
DL - Hans, DL2RU will be active as DL2RU/p from Schlossinsel (not IOTA, GIA O-31 for the German Islands Award) on 19 or 20 May. He plans to start around 13 UTC on 7028 kHz. [TNX DL2RU]
E5_sc - Tony, ZL2AGY will be active as E51AGY [425DXN 1148] from Rarotonga (OC-013), South Cook Islands on 9-29 May. Being a member of the First Class CW Operators' Club, he might also apply for and be QRV as E51FOC to celebrate FOC's 75th anniversary. QSL via home call (direct).
EI - Lukas, IW3FWT will be active as EJ/IW3FWT from Bere Island (EU-121) on 10-12 May. He will operate SSB and digital modes on 40-10 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau, and LoTW. [TNX IW3FWT]
EX - Special event station EX20ARUK will be active on 12-18 May to celebrate the 20th anniversary of the Amateur Radio Union of Kyrgyzstan. QSL via operator's instructions. Information on the "Kyrgyzstan Award" at http://www.qrz.ru/awards/detail/2213.html (scroll down the page for the English version). [TNX EX8AB]
F - A group of operators from the Castres DX Gang will be active as

TM5FI from Ratonneau Island (EU-095) on 15-22 May. QSL via F5XX.
F - Gil, F4FET and Rodolphe, F0FMI will be active as TM0AI from Anneret Island (EU-039) on 18-20 May. They plan to be QRV on 40, 20, 17, 15 and 10 metres. QSL via F4FET.
F - Gil, F4FET and Diego, F4HAU will be active as TM0BIG from La Petite Ile (EU-107) from around 7 UTC on 4 June until around 13 UTC on the 5th. They will be QRV on 40, 20, 17, 15 and 10 metres. QSL via F4FET.
G - The Cray Valley Radio Society will be active as GB6MW from Meopham Windmill on 11-12 May for the Mills on the Air weekend (www.mills-on-the-air.net). QSL via G4DFI. [TNX M0MCV]
GJ - Roger, G3SXW and Nigel, G3TXF will be active as GH4FOC (QSL via G3SWH) from Jersey until 12 May. This operation is part of the month-long 75th anniversary celebration activity being organised by the FOC First Class CW Operators' Club. During the weekend there may also be some operation as GJ3SXW (QSL via G3SXW) and GJ3TXF (QSL via G3TXF). All logs will be uploaded to both Club Log and LoTW.
GJ - Raf ON5RZ , Eddy ON6EF and Mick ON4RAW will be active as MJ/OT1S from Saint Brelade, Jersey (EU-013) on 16-19 May. They will operate mainly SSB on 80-6 metres. QSL via ON6EF, direct or bureau.
HC8 - Two operators will be active as HD8A from the Galapagos Islands (SA-004) on 15-19 May. QSL via HD2A.
HR - The tentative dates for HM2DMR's three IOTA operations [425DXN 1148] are as follows:
27-30 May HQ3W Cayos Cochinos (NA-160)
16-20 June HQ8S Swan Islands (NA-035)
16-20 July HQ8D Vivorillos Bank (NA-223)
QSL all calls via KD4POJ. Bookmark http://hriotas.com/ for updates and further information.
I - A large multi-national team (HA1YA, IT9BUN, IW9ELR, JH5GHM, LZ1QN, N3BNA, ON4LG, PC5A, PE1ETR, RT4RO, S52RU, S54W, S57UN and S59A) will be active as IG9Y from Lampedusa Island (AF-019) on 17-30 October. They will run four stations on 160-2 metres SSB, CW and RTTY, and will participate in the CQ WW DX SSB Contest as a Multi-Two entry. QSL via ON4LG, direct or bureau. QSLling instructions and further information at http://ig9.ii9p.com/
JA - Look for Masa, JF3ELH/6 to be active from Iki Island (AS-036) on 10-11 May. He will be QRV on 80-10 and maybe 6 metres mainly CW. QSL via home call. [TNX JI3DST]
OZ - Noel, OO4O (ON4APU) will be active again as OZ/OO4O from Langeland Island (EU-172) on 19-25 May. He will operate SSB and CW on the HF bands. QSL via home call (bureau preferred) and LoTW. [TNX OO4O]
OZ - Ric, DL2VFR will be active as OU1RAEM from Samso Island (EU-172) on 18-24 May. He will operate mainly CW. All of the QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau. Direct cards go to DF5LW. [TNX rsgbiota.org]
OZ - Tom, DL7UZO will be active as 5P9Z from Bornholm Island (EU-030) from 25 May to 1 June. He will operate CW, RTTY and SSB on 80-10 metres. QSL via DL7UZO, direct and bureau. Further information and

logsearch at www.5p9z.com
PJ6 - Bob K4UEE, Steve VE7CT, Gregg W6IZT and Roger G3SXW will
participate in the CQ WW WPX CW Contest as PJ6A from Saba
(NA-145). Activity is planned before and one day after the
contest. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW quickly after their return,
paper QSLs go via N4NX. [TNX K4UEE]
VP5 - Dave, W5CW will be active again as VP5/W5CW from the Caicos
Islands (NA-002) from 16 May to 11 June. He will operate CW and
SSB on 160-6 metres. [TNX DL6GV]
YB - Look for YB8RB/p, YB8REY/p, YB8RW/p, YB8STP/p, YB8TK/p, YB8TON/p,
YB8UFL/p, YC1BPO/p, YC8RRC/p, YC8RU/p, YC8RUC/p, YC8RUU/p,
YC8TV/p, YD8ROQ/p and YD8UBY/p to be active from Bunaken Island
(OC-236) until 12 May. They plan to operate SSB and possibly some
CW on 160, 80, 40, 20, 17, 15, 10 metres. QSL via operator's
instructions. [TNX JN6RZM]
YB - Special event station YE30P (http://ye30p.wordpress.com) will be
active from the city of Merauke (New Guinea, OC-034) on 15-17 May
to celebrate the 30th anniversary and congress of the Papua
Province branch of ORARI. Plans are to operate CW, SSB and RTTY on
80-10 metres with two stations. Logsearch will be provided by Club
Log; QSL via YB9WR direct to P.O. Box 4245 JKTM, Jakarta 12700,
Indonesia. [TNX YE30P]
YB - YB3BOA, YB3EDD, YB3GZS and YB3VPP will be active as YE3I from Gili
Ketapang (OC-237) on 7-9 June. QSL direct to YB3EDD.
YJ - Bill, K2PO will participate in the CQ WW WPX CW Contest as YJ0PO
from Efate (OC-035), Vanuatu. He will be QRV on 80-10 metres for a
few days before and after the contest. QSL via home call and LoTW.

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** GOOD TO KNOW ... ****
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425 DX NEWS MAGAZINE ---> The April 2013 issue is now available for
download at www.425dxn.org/monthly/index.html. [TNX IZ3EBA]

9M2SE ---> A web page, with pictures, video and wrap-up of the recent
Malaysian Special Expedition Team's activity as 9M2SE from Perhentian Besar
Island (AS-073) can be found at http://9m2pju.blogspot.com [TNX 9M2PJU]

AMSTERDAM 2014 ---> Two new team members - Neil VA7DX and Andy UA3AB - have
joined the FT5ZM DXpedition to Amsterdam Island [425DXN 1147]. The team will
assemble in Perth, Australia on 10-11 January 2014 and depart for their
9-day voyage on the 15th. Once ashore, they will have 18 days to set up,
conduct the DXpedition and tear down for departure. "Thus far, we have only
raised just over 53% of the money that we need to complete this DXpedition",
the team says. "As payments on the vessel begin next month, we must ask the
world-wide DX community for their support. Visit our website at
www.amsterdamdx.org and contribute whatever you can. We need your help".

[TNX K0IR]

GRENADA ---> AC8G and J39AL are putting together a team to cover the CQ WW SSB contest from Grenada, with time for individual DX activity. The group will have access to antennas and amplifiers "for a major entry in the contest", but each member will have to provide transceivers, related accessories and computers. Please contact Harry, AC8G for detailed information (htflasher[@]gmail.com, Skype flasher-ac8g). [TNX AC8G]

W9DXCC DX CONVENTION ---> A six session class, designed for both new and experienced DXers, will be held on 20 September in conjunction with the 61st W9DXCC DX Convention. Each session will cover a different aspect of DXing, including operating practices, digital DXing, chasing awards, QSLling, antennas and propagation. Registration for the class may be done online at the W9DXCC web site (www.w9dxcc.com) when Convention registration is active. Please contact W9MU (jack[@]w9mu.net) for additional information. [TNX K9EL]

WAKE 2013 ---> K9W, the Commemorative DXpedition to Wake Atoll in early October [425DXN 1141], "is progressing nicely. The initial phase of the operation, planning, is essentially complete and the team has moved into equipment procurement and staging operations". Read the latest information (Press Release #3) and details on how contribute to this expensive project on the expedition's website (www.wake2013.org) [TNX W8GEX]

YASME ---> At its annual meeting held at the International DX Convention in Visalia, the Board of Directors elected Ward Silver, N0AX, as its new President. The remaining officers were re-elected. Fred Laun (K3ZO, Director and Vice-President), Rusty Epps (W6OAT, Director and Treasurer), Kip Edwards (W6SZN, Director and Secretary), Martti Laine (OH2BH, Director), Mac McHenry (W6BSY, Director) and Robert Vallio (W6RGG, Director).
The necessity of an election for a new President was occasioned by the resignation of Wayne Mills, N7NG. Wayne has founded DX University (www.dxuniversity.com) and takes over as the new DX Editor for CQ Magazine. The Board also decided to acknowledge Mr. Mills' many years of service to the Yasme Foundation by making a contribution to DX University in support of the goals shared by the two organizations. Additional information about The Yasme Foundation can be found at www.yasme.org. [TNX W6SZN]

+ SILENT KEY + Maurizio Potenza, I1YUM is one of the victims of the tragic accident occurred at the port of Genoa on 7 May, when a container ship smashed into the 50m control tower, bringing it crashing down. Seven people died, four were injured and two are still missing.

QSLs received direct or through managers: 1A0C, 3B8/HB9ARY, 3B9/OH1LEG, 3D2C, 3D2RX, 4L1MA, 5W0AP, 5X8C, 6Y5WJ, 7Z7AB (AS-190), 8P6DR, 9K2/SP4R, 9M4SLL, 9U4U, BM0LF, BY8AC, BY8DX, C6AVA (NA-054), CE3/LU1FAM, CP6UA, CW2C, D3AA, D44BS, DL2RVL/HI9, E40VB, EA9/DL2RNS, EA9/DL2RVL, EP3SMH, ES5QD, FH/DL7BC, H44KW, H44RK, HC1HC, HD2A, HK0/F6BFH, HK6F, HS0ZKG (AS-101), HV0A, J28NC, J5NAR, J6/KA9P, J8/G4DVB, JX5O, JX9JKA, KH2L, KH9/WA2YUN,

MJ/OP9X/p (EU-099), OD5NJ, OD5ZZ, OY1CT, PJ7AA, PT0S, PY0F/PP1CZ, RI0K, RI1ANC, S21XV, S79VJG, T2TT, T46RRC (NA-204), T47RRC (NA-086), T48RRC (NA-218), TB4/DJ7RJ, TF3FIN, TM7CC (EU-065), TO7BC, TR8CA, TT8TT, TU2T, UA0ABK, UA2FB, UA2FX, UK/UA1ZEY, UK8AJ, UK8OM, UK9AA, V5/DJ2HD, V63PR (OC-078), V73TS, VK0JJJ, VK3TZ/3 (OC-136), VK9/OH1VR, VP2EMR, VU2PAI, VY0/VE3VID (NA-174), XR0YG, XT2TT, XV1X, XW0ZJZ, XW4XR, XW8XZ, YB8HZ/p (OC-236), Z81D, ZK3T, ZL9HR, ZP6/IZ1GLO, ZP9MCE.

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21190. 425 DX Calendar - #1149

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******* CALENDAR *******
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PERIOD CALL REF
till 11/05 HC2IWM/8: Galapagos Islands (SA-004) 1148
till 11/05 JF3ELH/6: Iki Island (AS-036) 1149
till 11/05 MS0RWR: Isle of Skye (EU-008) 1148
till 11/05 PG6KING: special callsign 1143
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21191. ARLP019 Propagation de K7RA

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QST de W1AW
Propagation Forecast Bulletin 19 ARLP019
>From Tad Cook, K7RA
Seattle, WA May 10, 2013
To all radio amateurs

SB PROP ARL ARLP019
ARLP019 Propagation de K7RA

Average daily sunspot numbers remained about the same this week, with the number nudging up from 120.9 to 121.7. The average of the daily solar flux numbers went from 136.5 to 137.5.

An odd thing happened too. For two weeks in a row the average planetary A index was the same as the mid-latitude A index. Last week they were both 9.9, and this week both values were 8.

Predicted solar flux for the near future is 125 on May 10, 115 on May 11-13, 110 on May 14, 105 on May 15-16, 110 on May 17, 120 on May 18, 130 on May 19-20, 135 on May 21-22, then rising to 160 on May 28.

Predicted planetary A index is 5 on May 10-11, 8 on May 12-13, 5 on May 14-20, then 15, 10 and 15 on May 21-23, 5 on May 24-27 and 15 and 10 on May 28-29.

F.K. Janda, OK1HH predicts the geomagnetic field will be quiet to unsettled on May 10, quiet to active May 11-12, and quiet to unsettled May 13-19.

The forecasts from OK1HH have been getting shorter. At first the text was shorter because there was less variation over the forecast period. So instead of shifting between five different levels of activity over the course of nearly four weeks, we've seen two levels, as in this week's forecast.

When I checked every bulletin since the first of the year, I found that the number of days the forecast covers varied. The first two bulletins of 2013 each covered 23 days, the next was 25 days, then the fourth bulletin was 23 days, followed by 24 days on each of the next three. The eighth (Propagation Forecast Bulletin ARLP008) covered just 17 days, and the next six weeks varied from 21-24 days. For bulletins ARLP014 through ARLP019 (this bulletin) the coverage

was 23, 19, 25, 24, 17 and 10 days. So the predictions for this bulletin and the previous two all end on the same date, May 19. I will see if I can find out what his methods are, and if perhaps variation in conditions leading up the date of the forecast in some way limits the number of days that are predicted.

At 0119 UTC today (May 10) I received an alert from http://SpaceWeatherLive.com (not to be confused with http://spaceweather.com). The message is in Dutch, and it looks like it says there was a "Class M3.95" solar flare. But the message does not say whether the flare was geo-effective (Earth directed) or how long it lasted.

I note that http://spaceweather.com says the flare was just over the Sun's eastern horizon, so it was not aimed at Earth, but it will move toward Earth "in the days ahead." An event at the eastern horizon should take about a week to move into a position where it is aimed toward Earth, although another variable is the latitude of the region.

The English version of their web site is http://www.spaceweatherlive.com/en. In the group of six graphs at the top, five of them cover the previous two hours, and the Kp Index covers the previous 24 hours.

At the bottom of the page is a flattened version of the STEREO image at http://stereo.gsfc.nasa.gov/. Instead of watching the rotating globe, you see all sides of the sun at once.

David Moore sent a link to Phil Plait's "Bad Astronomy" blog (see http://www.slate.com/blogs/bad_astronomy/2013/05/08/solar_eruption_different_spacecraft_see_a_solar_eruption_from_different.html) with an article and an impressive NASA video showing a May 1 solar event, as seen from SOHO, SDO and STEREO. You can see Phil's website at http://www.badastronomy.com/index.html. Bad Astronomy refers to Phil's attempts to correct popular misconceptions about science.

Lance Collister, W7GJ of Frenchtown, Montana wrote about recent 6-meter adventures: "Well, I think the SFI being over 145 on Saturday May 4 probably moved the TEP further north than usual - and with the early onset of Es, which just happened to connect me to Texas just at the right time of late afternoon - I got my first ionospheric link to South America on TEP this cycle. Saturday I completed CW contacts with CX3AN, LW3EX, LU2DPW, LU5FZ, CX9AU, LU5FF, and PY3FF. CX1FK, LU2DEK, LU9DO, CX5CR, LU6DC, PY3OR and LU9EHF were worked on SSB. On Sunday, May 5, the SFI was still over 135 and I worked CE2AWW weakly on CW, although I didn't seem to have a good strong Es link like on Saturday. Still searching for HC, CP and PZ."

TEP refers to Trans-Equatorial Propagation. Check the W7GJ website at http://www.bigskyspaces.com/w7gj/. Lance invites us to use EME

(moonbounce) and check some of the references on his website.

Paul Harden, NA5N of Socorro, New Mexico wrote about a fascinating project at the Very Large Array, the world's largest radiotelescope, where he works:

"I am an electronics engineer at the Very Large Array (VLA) radio telescope. My current project is our low-band system (60-500 MHz) and the Long Wavelength Array (LWA) for 10-88 MHz. Though a few years away, one of the science goals of LWA is to make real time 3D maps of the ionosphere. The prototype system clearly paints the locations of the E/F layers and it's depths as it migrates around. Really cool, and when completed, should be made publicly available on the web and a great tool for hams."

He sent this link to the project:
http://www.aoc.nrao.edu/~pharden/LBR/lbr.htm.

Jay Miller, N4NUI of Sandy, Utah wrote about what happened on 6-meters on May 2:

"During the afternoon of May 2 there was a great opening on 6-meters. It was obvious there were many paths open north and south from the QSOs I could hear. I was mobile up in Antioch, Illinois (EN52wk) and heard stations to the SE down to South Florida and SW to West Texas. It was pouring rain and I couldn't get out of the vehicle to tune the manual screwdriver without getting soaked to the bone.

"I fixed that problem this afternoon (May 3) by driving up to Milwaukee and buying a Little Tarheel II. I got it on the vehicle in time to make a contact in the early evening with K5WLT and WP4O with good signals as the opening started to close. Let's hope this is a harbinger of things to come this summer.

"I travel for my job and I am sure glad I haul around a HF rig and a Gorilla magnetic mount for the rental cars. A traveling ham using rental cars has to ask for the same rental models each time once one finds out how to get through specific firewalls to the battery."

Floyd Chowning, K5LA of El Paso, Texas wrote on May 4: "I had a nice contact on 2-meter SSB this morning on 144.2 MHz at 1516 UTC with WA7KYM in Cheyenne, Wyoming. Cheyenne is 639 miles from El Paso, TX according to QRZ using grid squares. I am in DM61 and WA7KYM is in DN71. This was my first contact with a Wyoming station."

Jon Jones, N0JK of Kansas wrote on May 4: "Interesting opening today from the Midwest to South America.

"I was mobile (XYL driving) on K-10 just east of the K-7 intersection in Olathe and heard K3PA, K0HA and N0XA CQing or calling some of the DX.

"No DX heard until 2150 UTC when PY3RO showed up on 50.115 MHz SSB. He worked a local in Kansas City and I called after their Q. Had a quick QSO with Raoul, he peaked to 5x7. During our QSO another KC local came up on freq. and said my transmit audio was bad! (It was due to voltage drop using a cigarette lighter plug to run the radio in the car. I normally use jumper cables directly off the car battery to run the radio). The next couple of times I went back to PY3RO and listened, the local kept telling me 'OM your audio is bad.' Guess he didn't hear the PY. First Brazil 6 meter QSO since 2001. I did not hear any other DX stations. My mobile set up is a 2 meter 5/8 wave whip and the FT-897."

Jeff Hartley, N8II of West Virginia wrote on May 7 about great conditions back on April 7-11. He worked both Europe and Asia on 12 meters, and on April 9 on 10 meter CW running 5 watts he worked 9A4WY in Croatia who gave Jeff a signal repot of S9 plus 10 dB.

Jeff continued, "Throughout the last month, except during disturbed conditions, 15 has been open to EU many hours, sometimes as late as 2200-2400 UTC and open about 90% of the days to Indonesia with good signals from around 1300-1600Z. 20 meters is consistent every morning with good VK signals from about 1115-1430 UTC or so and long path southern Africans. On April 28, 15 meters was in good shape to Russia in the UA1DZ contest logging Many stations in northern Europe as well as UP0, UC0, and RN9. Many St. Petersburg area Russians were active and it was fun working them as well as hearing them working each other.

"On the April 29-30 with only 200 watts between 0200-0315 UTC, I had a huge number of Russian stations call on 20 CW, some of the most fun and biggest number of Russian callers in 40 years on the air. 43 stations were logged in an hour. Conditions were extremely good from central Asia all the way east to DL on April 29, logging all Russian call areas except for 0 as well as EX8AD and many Ukrainians. On April 30, Asia was not quite as good, but many UA3 and UA6 area stations called with the third QSO of the run being UA0YM in zone 23. Earlier around 2340-0030 UTC there was a large increase in EU and Middle East activity on 17 meter CW logging UT3, A65BR, YO5, SV1NN/3, and MU0FAL. On 20 CW I logged Z33Z. there was a real air of excitement on both sides of the Atlantic over the great conditions."

If you would like to make a comment or have a tip for our readers, email the author at, k7ra@....

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service web page at http://arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals. For an explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin, see http://arrl.org/the-sun-the-earth-the-ionosphere. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at http://arrl.org/w1aw-bulletins-archive-propagation. More good information and tutorials on propagation are at http://k9la.us/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://arrl.org/propagation.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of ARRL bulletins are at http://arrl.org/bulletins.

Sunspot numbers for May 2 through 8 were 102, 139, 156, 103, 122, 118, and 112, with a mean of 121.7. 10.7 cm flux was 149.4, 147.9, 141.6, 137.1, 130.7, 128.7, and 126.9, with a mean of 137.5. Estimated planetary A indices were 13, 6, 5, 7, 8, 10, and 7, with a mean of 8. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 11, 5, 5, 7, 9, 11, and 8, with a mean of 8.
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21192. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-05-11 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21192

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:Issued: 2013 May 11 1126 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30511
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 11 May 2013, 1105UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 11 May 2013 until 13 May 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Active (M-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 11 May 2013 10CM FLUX: 125 / AP: 003
PREDICTIONS FOR 12 May 2013 10CM FLUX: 125 / AP: 014
PREDICTIONS FOR 13 May 2013 10CM FLUX: 125 / AP: 007
COMMENT:Solar activity has been active during the past 24 hours, featuring four C
flares and one M1.3 flare. The M flare was produced by AR 11745 (which also
released the majority of the C flares) and had its peak around 12:56 UT on
May 10. More C flares and even M flares are likely within the next 48
hours, especially from NOAA AR 11745. In the last 24 hours, the IMF has
been steady around 4 nT, while solar wind speeds have decreased from about
440 and to 390 km/s. On May 12, a weak coronal hole high speed stream may
cause solar wind speeds to increase again up to 500 km/s. Geomagnetic
activity has been at quiet levels (K Dourbes between 0 and 3; NOAA Kp
between 0 and 2) during the past 24 hours. Quiet geomagnetic conditions (K
Dourbes < 4) are expected for May 11 to 13, with a chance for active levels
(K Dourbes = 4) on May 12, due to a weak coronal hole high speed stream.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 087, BASED ON 06 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 10 May 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 145
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 125
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 006
AK WINGST : 005
ESTIMATED AP : 004
ESTIMATED ISN : 081, BASED ON 15 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
END
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21193. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-05-12 14:01:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21193

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:Issued: 2013 May 12 1221 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30512
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 12 May 2013, 1205UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 12 May 2013 until 14 May 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Active (M-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 12 May 2013 10CM FLUX: 142 / AP: 011
PREDICTIONS FOR 13 May 2013 10CM FLUX: 142 / AP: 010
PREDICTIONS FOR 14 May 2013 10CM FLUX: 139 / AP: 007
COMMENT:Solar activity has been eruptive during the past 24 hours, featuring
eighteen C flares. The largest flare was released by NOAA AR 11746 and
reached a C8.0 peak around 19:48 UT on May 11. More C flares and even M
flares are likely within the next 48 hours, especially from NOAA AR 11744,
11745, and 11746. A large filament eruption took place near 40W 35N around
21:45 UT on May 11. An associated CME was registered by LASCO C2, STEREO
COR2 A and B. A glancing blow from this CME is possible, with an expected
arrival time at Earth in the first half of May 15. In the last 24 hours,
the IMF has varied between 2.5 and 3.5 nT, while solar wind speeds have
decreased from about 400 and to 360 km/s. In the second half of May 12, a
weak coronal hole high speed stream may cause solar wind speeds to increase
again up to 500 km/s. Geomagnetic activity has been at quiet levels (K
Dourbes between 0 and 3; NOAA Kp between 1 and 2) during the past 24 hours.
Quiet geomagnetic conditions (K Dourbes < 4) are expected for May 12 to 14,
with a chance for active levels (K Dourbes = 4) in the second half of May
12, due to a weak coronal hole high speed stream.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 094, BASED ON 06 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 11 May 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 137
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 007
AK WINGST : 004
ESTIMATED AP : 003
ESTIMATED ISN : 089, BASED ON 17 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
END
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21194. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1112

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** SPECIAL NOTE FROM EDITOR (By KB8NW): There will not be an OPDX Bulletin next week and "possibly the week after". I will be attending the Dayton HamVention (HOPEFULLY!!!!!). It is totally up in the air right now. Over the last several weeks, I have been experiencing shortness of breath. On Tuesday, May 7th, I had a "THALLIUM STRESS TEST" which showed some abnormalities. On May 10th, the Cardiac Doctor told me, or should I say she read me the riot-act, "no traveling or stressful work" until I have a heart catheterization. So some time this Monday before the HamVention, I will be at the Cleveland Clinic to have this procedure. If all goes well, I will be at Dayton. Some may remember that I had a double bypass in 2002. Let's hope I do not go there again.....
"IF" I receive a major announcements, (and if I am able to) I will probably send out a special bulletin. However, PLEASE continue to send your DX information. You never know what I might do.... 73 de Tedd KB8NW

DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 5th-May, through Sunday, 12th-May there were 228 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5U, 5W, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8Q, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C6, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FH, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HC8, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J6, J7, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JY, K, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY,

LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OJ0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ7, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S5, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV/a, SV5, SV9, T2, T7, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TR, TT, TY, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V6, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK9C, VK9L, VK9N, VP2E, VP2M, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XX9, XZ, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, Z8, ZA, ZB, ZD7, ZL, ZP, ZS, ZS8

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

5K3, COLOMBIA. Look for special event station 5K3YL to be active Sunday, May 18th, operated by a group of YLs during the "Ladies on the Air Contest". Activity is to honor women participating in amateur radio contests, as well as nationally and internationally. Operators mentioned are Sandra/HK3JJB, Mery/HJ3MCT, Paty/HK3KFM, Janeth/HK3PUE, Dora/HK3IAI, Maria/HJ8MFF, Yolanda/HK7YMF, Laura/HJ7LDV, Yuli/HJ3KMV, Cristina/HK3QYV, Dalia/HK3JI and Patricia/HK3IWL. Operations will be on 40 and 20 meters SSB. QSL via EA3DUF. A certificate is available (see QRZ.com).

6V, SENEGAL (Reminder). Vladimir "Vlad", RK4FF, will once again be active as 6V7S from Le Calao in Ngaparou between May 13-30th. Activity will probably be on 80/40/20/ 15/10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. He is scheduled to be here two more times this year: July 1-16th and October 22nd-November 27th. QSL via RK4FF.

8Q, MALDIVES. Just a reminder that Jim, G3VDB, will be once again active as 8Q7EJ, but this time from Komandoo Island (AS-013) between May 13-26th. Activity will be holiday style mainly on 20 meters using CW and SSB. If conditions are poor, then it will be CW only. Suggested frequencies are: CW - 14020-14025 kHz and SSB 14212 kHz. QSL via his home callsign. The 2009/2010/2011/2012 8Q7EJ logs are available on the Clublog Web page at: http://www.clublog.org/logsearch/8Q7EJ

ARCTIC/ANTARCTIC INFO NEEDED! John, KL7JR, is once again requesting that if you or any of your radio friends, SWL or Ham operators, have worked or heard any Arctic or Antarctic stations, he would love to hear from you for his monthly Arctic and Antarctic DX column which goes to CIDX (Canadian Int'l. DX Club) for publication in the monthly "Messenger". Scanned copies of QSLs or reception reports from anywhere north of 60 degrees or the Antarctica are also welcomed. You can receive a sample of his column by E-mailing him at: KL7JR@...

CS25, PORTUGAL (Special Event). A special event station signing CS25ARVM will be active between May 20-26th. Activity is to celebrate the 25th aniversary of ARVM - Associação de Radioamadores da Vila de Moscavide - Radioamadores do Concelho de Loures. Operations will be on 10, 15, 20, 40 and 80 meters, using CW and SSB, and also V/UHF at 145.350 MHz and 434.350 MHz. Qsl via CT1RVM.

DAYTON HAMVENTION CTU NEWS. Tim Duffy, K3LR, reports the following: "About 250 contesters will attend Contest University (CTU) USA this

coming Thursday (May 16) in Dayton, Ohio.
Starting at 8:00 AM EDT there will be a live webcast available from the CTU website <http://contestuniversity.com>. Go to the CTU website on Thursday and you will see a button to click on that will allow you to see and hear some of the topics being presented live. With four classrooms going most of the time, it is not possible to live stream everything, but you will definitely enjoy watching some of CTU from wherever you are. Last year hundreds of guys from all over the world got to experience CTU live via the web. Some of the Dayton CTU students even sat in one classroom session and watched the live CTU stream for another session on their smart phone or laptop - at the same time - is this SO2CC? Single Operator Two CTU Classes!
Thanks to the support of the Northern California DX Foundation, if you know of any amateur radio operator under the age of 26 that will be in Dayton and would like to attend CTU tuition free, please tell them to go to the CTU home page and click on Scholarships. Or just click here: <http://www.contestuniversity.com/main/page_scholarships.html>
Then use the contact us button to be considered for a scholarship. Or you can click here: http://www.contestuniversity.com/main/page_contact_us.html
Pat, N9RV's, 'Contesting Terminology Glossary' on the CTU website has recently been updated. It is in the files section. If you or someone you know is just getting started in contesting, this is an excellent resource that explains lots of the contesting language. Here is the direct link: http://www.contestuniversity.com/main/page_files.html
We are hoping to also live stream the 21st Annual Contest dinner live next Saturday night. Watch the Contest Dinner website for times and live stream connection information. <http://contestdinner.com>"

DAYTON HAMVENTION DX HOSPITALITY SUITE. The Northern Ohio DX Association (along with Janeen Hire, W8ZET) will once again sponsor a Hospitality Suite (17th year) at this year's Dayton Hamvention. It will be in Suite 1011 on the 10th floor of the Crowne Plaza Hotel on Thursday, Friday and Saturday evenings (Look for signs!). All DXers/Contesters are welcome. Munchies and refreshments will be available. Come and meet the members and friends of NODXA.

FS, ST. MARTIN. John, K9EL, will once again activate FS/K9EL in June. Operating dates this year are June 11-28th. Activity will be on 80-6 meters. Daily uploads to ClubLog and LoTW are planned. John has a new QTH this year and should have a better signal to the USA on 6 meters. QSL via his home callsign.

HH, HAITI (Update). Tom, KC0W, will be active as HH5/KC0W from the extreme northern tip of Haiti between July 6-25th. Activity will be 160-6 meters using CW only. He will use a vertical antenna placed directly over salt water. Tom states, "My operating location in Haiti has unobstructed HF takeoffs to North America, Europe & Africa. Haiti has been underrepresented on CW so hopefully HH5/KC0W will go into many CW enthusiast's logbooks." QSL only direct to his home callsign. No LoTW or Bureau QSLs.

HONDURAN IOTA EXPEDITION (Update/Tentative Dates). Dan, HM2DMR, plans to activate the following Honduran IOTA Islands between late May to July (dates depend on Navy permission:
NA-160 Cochinos (callsign HQ3W); May 27-30th
NA-035 Swan (callsign HQ8S); June 16-20th
NA-223 Vivorillos (callsign HQ8D); July 16-20th
Activity will be on 160-10 meters. For more details and updates, watch:
http://hriotas.com

IOTA NEWS.....
AF-083. A short video is available on the Web on the recent TS8TI DXpedition to Djerba Island by ARAT and Italian Team. The link is: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=v_qXTuF9CgM
The photos and videos are all available on ARAT Facebook Page at: https://www.facebook.com/arat.tunisia
http://www.laselki.net/vb/showthread.php?p=52261#post52261

AS-036. This one was late getting in, but if you worked JF3ELH/6 this past weekend, you work Masa, JF3ELH, on Iki Island (Iki-jima Gounuura-cho Iki-gun Nagasaki-ken). Activity was suppose to be on 80/40/30/20/17/15/12/10/6 meters CW/SSB. It was mentioned that in case of heavy rain or other condition, the operation condition may vary. QSL JF3ELH/6 via JF3ELH. Please check QRZ.com for details.

AS-060. Kang, DS4DRE, is now active as DS4DRE/5 from Hajo Island (WLOTA LH-1006) until December 31st. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via his home callsign, direct (he is a stamp collector) or by the Bureau.

EU-008. Operators Andy/M1LOL and Ray/M1REK will be active as MM1REK from the Isle of Coll (IOSA NH05, SCOTIA DI12, WLOTA 2123) in the Inner Hebrides group between August 5-10th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via M1REK, by the Bureau or direct. See the Web site at:
http://www.m1rek.co.uk/isle-of-coll

EU-008. Just a reminder that the members of the Camb-Hams are once again active from the Isle of Mull (IOSA NH15, SCOTIA CN10, WLOTA 2485), Inner Hebrides, as GS3PYE/p until May 16th. Activity will be on all HF bands (600-10m) using five stations with amps. Operations will also be on 6m, 4m and 2m. They will focus more effort on 2m EME and will also be on many of the VHF/UHF satellite passes. QSL via M0VFC (OQRS via QRZ.com). More details and updates can be found at:
http://dx.camb-hams.com

EU-030. Just a reminder that Tom, DL7UZO, will be active as 5P9Z from Bornholm Island (DIA BO-001, WLOTA 2203) between May 25th and June 1st. Activity will be focused on 160 meters and the Digital modes, as well as all bands on CW. QSL via DL7UZO, direct or by the DARC Bureau. A Web page is available at: http://www.5p9z.com

EU-051. Operators Stefano/IK6JRI, Fred/IK7JWX and Vincenzo/IZ8LFI will be active possibly as IE9DX from Ustica Island (IIA PA-001) between July 23-30th. Activity will include the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th). Before the contest they will be active on 30/17/12/6 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. Days after the contest they will be on any modes and bands. QSL via IK7JWX. ADDED NOTE: Anyone who wants to join the team for the contest (only 2 days) is welcome. For details, contact: ik6jri@... (Team leader)

EU-110. Operators Stefano/IV3LZQ, Paolo/IV3PUT, Francesco/IV3EDU and Andy/9A3JH will be active from Sveti Nikola Island (ACIA IC-016, IOCA CI-118, MIA MC-414, WLOTA 3152) between July 25-29th. Activity will be on 80-6 meters using CW and SSB. They will also be an entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th) using the callsign 9A/IV3LZQ. QSL direct only via IV3LZQ (see QRZ.com). For details and updates, see: http://www.arimanzano.it

EU-120. A group of operators from the North Northumberland area will be active as GB1VR from the Holy Island of Lindisfarne between 1500, June 7th and 1600, June 9th (local times). Activity is on the anniversary of the First Viking Raid 793AD and will be on all HF bands. Operators mentioned are Dave/M0DSS, Alan/ 2E0ZED, Tom/2E0VAI, Erick/M6ECK, Richard/M0VKX and Brendan/ M6HOS. QSL via eQSL only. For more details, see QRZ.com.

EU-127. Thomas, DJ6OI, is now active as DJ6OI/p from Helgoland Island until May 15th. QSL via info on QRZ.com.

EU-172. Ric, DL2VFR, will be active as OU1RAEM from Samso Island between May 18-24th. This is just one of many activities throughout the year to be used with this special callsign to celebrate the 110th anniversary/birthday of Ernst T. Krenkel. See QRZ.com for details. Ric will operate mainly CW. All QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the Bureau. For direct cards, QSL via DF5LW.

NA-128. Members of the "NA-128 Contest Group" will once again activate Ile Verte (C.IS.A QC-015, Grid FN58, ARLHS CAN-244, WLOTA 1404) using the special callsign CF2I between July 24-28th. Their activity will include the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th) as a Multi-Single entry. The group will operate many stations from the lighthouse keeper's quarters on many bands (SSB, CW and RTTY, PSK63) before and after the contest. The group will operate ONLY on SSB and CW on 10, 15, 20, 40 and 80m DURING the contest. The complete log will be uploaded to LoTW few days after the contest. Paper QSL is via VE2CQ. For more info, visit their Web page at: http://www.qsl.net/na128cg

NA-204. The Cuban T46A group will activate the special callsign T46C from Santa Maria Island between June 13-17th. The operators mentioned are Ore/CO6LC, Jose/CO6EC, Yordany/CO6YAC, Amaurys/

CO6WYR, CL6RLD and Luis/CO6LP. They will try to maintain three
stations on the air transmitting on 160-10 meters, including
30/17/12 meters, using CW, SSB and RTTY, into yagis, beverages
and verticals. QSL via EA5GL.

OC-237. A group of Indonesian operators will be active as YE3I from
Gili Ketapang between June 7-9th. Operators mentioned are
Edi/YB3EDD, Eddy/YB3VPP, Samsul/YB3GZS and Andy/YB3BOA. Activity
will be on 160-10 meters. QSL via YB3EDD. For more details,
see: http://www.iotadx-giliketapang.blogspot.com/
http://www.facebook.com/yethree.india#

J3, GRENADA (Team Members Needed). Harry, AC8G, is working with Gill,
J39AL, to arrange a team for the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th)
with time for individual DXing. Available to the team are antennas,
towers, etc. for a large MULTI-MULTI contest station. About all that is
needed are ops, transceivers (with accessories) and computers. Depending
on team size, Gill's QTH and the local EOC would be used. Harry states,
"I will send an info E-mail with more details to those interested. You
can contact me several ways, <htflasher@...>, 937-434-9616 or
Skype using flasher-ac8g. Between the two locations (within distance
rules), there are four beams already up and room for others. This is a
GREAT chance to be DX and be in a major contest. The major cost is airfare.
Costs on the island are fairly reasonable. This will be covered in my
info E-mail. For those with Goggle Earth, Gill's QTH is at 12 degree
2.971 N. & 61 degree 44.386 W. Feel free to call - I am retired and
home most of time."

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (May 13-19th)....
May/13th AN May/16th AN May/18th AN
May/14th AN May/17th AN May/19th AN
May/15th AN

SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS/INDEXES AND GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE
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NORMALITY	GEOMAG	K Values	Alpha
AN - Above Normal	Quiet	K=0-1	0-7
HN - High Normal	Unsettled	K=2	8-15
LN - Low Normal	Active	K=3	16-29
BN - Below Normal	Minor Storm	K=4	30-49
DIS - Disturbed	Major Storm	K=5	50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed	Severe Storm	K=6-9	100-400

PJ4, BONAIRE. Members of the PJ4G club station will be active from the
"Radio House" <http://www.pj4g.com> on Bonaire (SA-006, WLOTA LH-1279)
during the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 25-26th). Look for John, K4BAI,
to be active as PJ4A during the contest as a Single-Op/Single-Band (40m)
entry. Roger, N4RR, will be Single-Op/Single-Band (15m) entry as PJ4R.
David, NA2AA, will be Single-Op/Single-Band (10 or 20m - depending on
band conditions) entry as PJ4G. The team members will be active several

days before the contest on all bands using PJ4/homecall as their callsign. QSL via the QRZ.com addresses.

PJ6, SABA. "After the successful DXpedition of October 2010 (10-10-10), and a third place finish in the 2011 ARRL CW DX Contest as a Multi-Single, it is time for a return to Saba," states Bob, K4UEE. Operators Bob/K4UEE, Steve/VE7CT, Gregg/W6IZT and Roger/G3SXW will enter the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 25-26th) as Multi-Op entry. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW quickly after their return, paper QSLs go via N4NX. Activity is planned before and one day after the contest.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (For May 12th)

3A2CWG via 3A2LF HA/OE4VIE via OE4VIE R73ASP via RA3TYL
5W1SA via JA1DXA HB9/RV3DH via RV3DHC RI1ANP via RN1ON
9A8NXC via IZ3NXC HB9A via HB9JOE RP68RG via RK9CYA
AO1EU via EA3RKF HF700S via SP9EMI SA5A via SM5DXV
AO2EU via EA3RKF II3AC via IK3GES TA3CQ/6 via DL4CQ
AO4EU via EA3RKF IT9/DL1MBG via DL1MBG TF3IG via TF3MHN
E51FOC via ZL2AGY OF3I via OH3BHL TF3ML via TF3MHN
E720SRRS via E70EPC OG9W via OH2BCI TF3PPN via TF3MHN
EA6/DM5LS via DM5LS OH0CO via SM6CCO TM3B via ON8AZ
EH7ITU via EA7NL OR5T via ON4ALY TM35KOP via F6KOP
EJ/IW3FWT via IW3FWT OZ75FOC via OZ8SW UE70C via RX3F
EV68F via EW3LK PA6WACHTER via PA2PCH VK9NT via VK2CA
GJ3TXF via G3TXF PA800GTB via PA1BM XE1B via EB7DX
GS3PYE/P via M0VFC PJ2/DH2AK via DH2AK
(e) eQSL only (d) direct only (B) Bureau only (L) LoTW only

KX6BB NOW ON LoTW AND CLUBLOG. Bob, W4VQ, informs: "I have uploaded nearly 9700 QSOs made by me at KX6BB on Kwajalein in 1972-1975 to LoTW and Club Log. The ClubLog link at this time is:
https://secure.clublog.org/logsearch/KX6BB
While this is of interest only to old timers and many of today's calls do not appear there, I wanted to provide the data in an electronic medium for future reference. It should be noted that I have NO paper cards and inquiries to that end will be in vain." He does mention: "Interestingly, I did get 129 LoTW matches for QSOs 40 years old."

OW75FOC INCORRECT QSL INFORMATION. Phil, G3SWH, reports: "Please note that incorrect QSL routing information is in circulation. The correct route is via G3SWH, and *NOT* via OY1CT." Please see the following Web page at: http://www.g3swh.org.uk/ow75foc.html

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: EF7HQ, FK9DD, JA7MSQ, JH1BED, OM3LK, ON8NT and PY3KN

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 7Z7AB, 9K2F, 9M4SLL, HP1/IZ6BRN, JX9JKA, KH2L, RG9A, RI0K, TB4/DJ7RJ, TF3FIN, UK/UA1ZEY, XW0ZJZ, XW4XR, XW8XZ, YB8BRI/P, YB8HZ/P, and ZK3T

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 1A0KM, 3A/IZ1MHY, 3XY1D, 4K9W, 401OTA, 4U1VIC, 4Z5J, 5B/I5HLK, 5C2J, 5R8PR, 5T0SP, 7P8MM, 8P5A, A25JR, A60ISG, A61AB, A61TT, A61X, A62ER/ZM3, A62END, BD4QA, BD7MVZ, CT3AS, D44TBE, EP3MO, EP3PK, FM5BH, HB0/DK3RED/P, HB0/I2AE, HP1/IZ6BRN, HZ1PS, HZ1SK, IM0/IZ3DBA, IS0BKL, IS0BKS, IS0CDS, IS0ESG/QRP, IS0LFZ, IS0LLJ, IS0MNR, IS0UTA, IS0YTA, IS0/IK4RQJ, JD1BMH, JY4SK, K6VVA/KL7, KH2/N2NL, KH6/K1YR, KH6/K2WR, KL2SX, KL7IDA, KL7/AI5P/M, LX75RL, OA4/IK5ROP, OC3I, OD5LN, OH0Z, OY2H, PJ2/AC8AP, PJ4T, PJ7/IK2QPR, PJ7N, PY0FO, SV5/DF4IE/P, SV5/IZ4JMA, T2T, T6TL, TG9IRP, TK/IK2WZM, TK9E, TL0CW, TO4M, TS8P, TU2T, UA0FUA, UK7F, UK8FF, UK8UC, V5/DL2AZ, VK9GMW, VK9OL, VP2MPL, VP8ORK, XF3/IZ2LSC, XV2W, XV4YY, YI3DX, Z38/IZ4JMA, ZA/I2GPT, ZA/IW7DZJ, ZD7X, ZD8D, ZD8W and ZK2C

SV5, DODECANESE. Members of the "DX Plus Hellenic Amateur M. I. Team" and "Radio Amateur Association of Greece" are now active as SX5KL from Kalolimnos Islet (EU-001, GIOTA DKS-048, WLOTA 0662) until May 20th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. Suggested frequencies are as follows:
CW - 1815, 3525, 10120, 14025, 18070, 21025, 24895 and 28025 kHz
SSB - 1845, 3770, 7110, 14225, 18130, 21275, 24950 and 28400 kHz
RTTY - 3590, 7038, 10140, 14090, 18098, 21090, 24920 and 28090 kHz
6m - 50103/CW and 50150/SSB

Operators mentioned are John/SV1GE, Cliff/SV1JG, Manos/SV1ME, Spiros/SV1RC, George/SV1RP, Vangelis/SV2BFN, Takis/SV2FWV, Mike/SV8GKE and Theodoros/SV1GRM. QSL Manager is SV2FWV (sv2fwv[at]gmail.com). QSL via direct, by the Bureau or OQRS (via ClubLog) and LOTW. For more details see the DXpediton's Web site at: http://SX5KL.no-ip.org

VP8, FALKLAND ISLANDS. Andy, M0HLT, is expected to be active as VP8DOH possibly for 2 years. He is now based on the Falklands as an electrician. Activity will be limited between his work commitments. Operations will be SSB only and mainly on the higher HF bands, preferring 10 meters when conditions allow but will try 20 meters and above. QSL via eQSL only or LoTW.

W9DXCC DX CONVENTION (Press Release). John, K9EL, sent the following dated May 6th [edited]: "W9DXCC DX CONVENTION COMMITTEE ANNOUNCES -- 'DX□ing from the Black Hole 2'
A six session presentation sponsored by NIDXA and DX-u,
in conjunction with the 61st W9DXCC DX Convention

(Schaumburg, Illinois) The W9DXCC convention committee has announced it will offer a six session class on Friday, September 20th, 2013, to help inform all hams interested in DX'ing about general topics of interest to the DX community. The class will be held the day before the W9DXCC convention and has been designed for both new and experienced DX'ers. Each session will cover a different aspect of DX'ing including operating practices, digital DX'ing, chasing awards, QSL'ing, antennas and propagation.
All presenters are accomplished DXers and include NN1N, K9LA, K9AJ, K9EL, K9NU and W9MU. Between them they have over 100 years of experience

that includes participation in DXpedition operations to rare locations around the world and numerous awards.
Registration for the class may be done online at the W9DXCC web site <www.w9dxcc.com> when Convention registration is active. Discounts will be available for persons signing up for both the class and the convention. Please contact W9MU (jack@...) for additional details and information."

XZ, MYANMAR. Simon, HS0ZIB, announced on QRZ.com over the past week that he is now in Kawthaung. He mentioned on May 1st that he will be there during the months of May and June, and will operate as XZ1K from Tanintharyi State. He adds, "I will only operate on PSK-31, according to when I have free time. From 1st July, I will be working in Laos, but I will try to return each holiday to re-activate XZ1K." According to his QRZ.com page, he has made 20 meter PSK QSOs with JA, VU, VK..etc., using Digipan. He suggests for you to transmit up to 1 kHz high of his frequency, and he can do a 'split' QSO. You can check QSOs and request QSLs from his online log at: http://www.myradioclub.org/xz1k
He states on May 11th, "LoTW is not yet available. I submitted documents to the ARRL for DXCC approval and LoTW account on 30/4/13, (by courier service from Yangon), but although the package is shown as delivered to the ARRL, I have had no feedback. If/when I am allocated an LoTW account, I will upload to LoTW for requested QSLs."

YASME FOUNDATION NEWS (Press Release). Kip Edwards, W6SZN, Director and Secretary of the Yasme Foundation, sent out the following press release on May 9th [edited]: "YASME BOARD OF DIRECTORS ELECTS NEW PRESIDENT AND HONORS OUTGOING PRESIDENT WAYNE MILLS, N7NG -- At its annual meeting held at the International DX Convention in Visalia, California, the Board of Directors elected Ward Silver, N0AX, as its new President. The remaining officers were re-elected. The necessity of an election for a new President was occasioned by the resignation of Wayne Mills, N7NG. Wayne has founded DX University (www.dxuniversity.com) and takes over as the new DX Editor for CQ Magazine.
The Board also decided to acknowledge Mr. Mills' many years of service to the Yasme Foundation by making a contribution to DX University in support of the goals shared by the two organizations.
The Yasme Foundation is a not-for-profit corporation organized to conduct scientific and educational projects related to Amateur Radio, including DXing (long distance communication) and the introduction and promotion of Amateur Radio in developing countries. For additional information about The Yasme Foundation, visit our website at <www.yasme.org>.

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ZL, NEW ZEALAND. Holger, ZL3IO, is expected to be active during the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 25-26th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via ZL3IO, direct or by the Bureau.

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21195. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-05-13 14:01:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21195

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:Issued: 2013 May 13 1325 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30513
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 13 May 2013, 1305UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 13 May 2013 until 15 May 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Active (M-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 13 May 2013 10CM FLUX: 148 / AP: 010
PREDICTIONS FOR 14 May 2013 10CM FLUX: 150 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 15 May 2013 10CM FLUX: 155 / AP: 010
COMMENT:An active region behind the east limb produced an X1.7 flare with peak at
02:17 UT and several M class flares. There were Type II and III radio
bursts and a CME associated with this flare. The CME is not expected to
arrive to the Earth. Active conditions are expected with more M and X class
flares possible, in particular when this AR rotates over the visible disk
in a few days. C and M class flares can be expected mostly from NOAA AR
1744, 1745 and 1746. Geomagnetic conditions are quiet, unsettled conditions
may occur with the expected arrival of a mildly fast speed stream from a
coronal hole today and tomorrow.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 094, BASED ON 08 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 12 May 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 147
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 007
AK WINGST : 006
ESTIMATED AP : 004
ESTIMATED ISN : 093, BASED ON 18 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
13 0153 0217 0232 ////// X1.7 III/2VII/3II/1CTM/1
13 1157 1203 1209 ////// M1.3
END
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21196. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-05-14 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21196

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:Issued: 2013 May 14 1301 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30514
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 14 May 2013, 1305UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 14 May 2013 until 16 May 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Major flares expected (X-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Active conditions expected (A>=20 or K=4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Warning condition (activity levels expected to increase, but no numeric
forecast given)
PREDICTIONS FOR 14 May 2013 10CM FLUX: 150 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 15 May 2013 10CM FLUX: 153 / AP: 015
PREDICTIONS FOR 16 May 2013 10CM FLUX: 156 / AP: 007
COMMENT:NOAA AR 1748 rotated into view, it is still not possible to infer its
magnetic configuration but it is a big region with mixed magnetic
polarities. It produced two X-class flares in past 24h and can produce
more. The first one was an X2.8 with peak at 16:05 UT on May 13, the second
one an X3.2 at 01:11 UT today. Both were related to radio bursts and fast
limb CMEs. The first CME has a speed of 1500 km/s in the LASCO C3 field of
view (decelerated with respect to the 1800 km/s seen in C2), while the
second one was travelling at 1900 km/s in LASCO C3 (accelerated from the
1600 km/s measured in C2). Due to the source region location right at the
limb, we expect at most a shock arriving to the Earth early on May 15
(09:00 UT for the first one and 13:00 UT for the second one). There is also
a CME from May 12 expected to arrive around the same time as the first CME
from yesterday. The second X flare and corresponding CME produced also a
rise on the proton flux, which is still below the threshold and seems
stable for the moment. NOAA AR 1745 has also potential for M flares. High
solar activity is expected for the next 48h. Geomagnetic conditions are
currently quiet. The possible arrival of a shock from the two halo CMEs and
a mild fast speed stream from a coronal hole may increase conditions to
active and possible minor storm levels in the next 48h.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 106, BASED ON 14 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 13 May 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 147
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 150
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 007
AK WINGST : 006
ESTIMATED AP : 005
ESTIMATED ISN : 097, BASED ON 15 STATIONS.
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NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
END

21197. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-05-15 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21197

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:Issued: 2013 May 15 1238 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
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# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
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SIDC URSIGRAM 30515
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 15 May 2013, 1205UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 15 May 2013 until 17 May 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Major flares expected (X-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Active conditions expected (A>=20 or K=4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Proton event expected (10 pfu at >10 MeV)
PREDICTIONS FOR 15 May 2013 10CM FLUX: 150 / AP: 017
PREDICTIONS FOR 16 May 2013 10CM FLUX: 152 / AP: 014
PREDICTIONS FOR 17 May 2013 10CM FLUX: 153 / AP: 011
COMMENT:A class X1.2 solar flare occurred today with peak time 01:48 UT, from NOAA
AR 1748 which has a beta-gamma-delta magnetic configuration. It was
associated with radio bursts and an increase of GOES proton flux levels,
now at 5 protons/cm2-s-sr, the threshold of 10 protons/cm2-s-sr will likely
be reached soon (at >=10 MeV). The increases in proton flux likely come
from the CME driven shock. If the strong flares from this AR continue, the
proton increases will likely be more abrupt when the magnetic connection
between the flare site and the Earth is better (i.e. when the AR is in the
western hemisphere). A CME was associated with the event, a shock and
glancing blow can probably be expected at the Earth late on May 16 (CME
speed 1700 km/s in LASCO C2). Geomagnetic conditions are quiet, but ACE
data shows a disturbance starting this morning, with currently magnetic
intensity close to 15 nT (northwards, so no geomagnetic effect). There is
not enough data yet to discern clearly its cause, but it is likely related
to the CME on May 12 (and possibly those from the two previous days related
to X-flares from NOAA AR 1748). Geomagnetic conditions are expected to be
unsettled to active, with possible isolated minor storm periods.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 099, BASED ON 11 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 14 May 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 176
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 148
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 012
AK WINGST : 009
ESTIMATED AP : 008
ESTIMATED ISN : 102, BASED ON 14 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
15 0125 0148 0158 N12E64 X1.2 2N IV/2II/1 1748
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END
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21198. Ohio/Penn DX Special Bulletin #1112.1

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-05-15 19:12:45 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 21198 Message: 21198

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** SPECIAL NOTE FROM EDITOR (By KB8NW): Just a reminder that there will not be an OPDX Bulletin next week and "possibly the week after". I "will" be attending the Dayton HamVention, but will be limited to conditions and how I feel. As far as the update on my health -- hopefully things are better. Monday, May 13th, I had a heart cathe-terization at the Cleveland Clinic to view my abnormalities. The results were -- I had a balloon angioplasty to the saphenous vein bypass graft to the diagonal anastomosis. There was a 99% blockage where my bypass graph tied into my natural artery (main left artery in the heart). It's now open and blood is flowing again. They could not use a stent because of the difference in size between the bypass graph (vein) and the artery (much smaller). If you would like to see the before and after pictures of my heart cath, go to:
before -
https://sphotos-b.xx.fbcdn.net/hphotos-frc3/970493_261897223955204_1679757670_n.jpg
after - https://fbcdn-sphotos-b-a.akamaihd.net/hphotos-ak-prn1/923415_261897357288524_363321367_n.jpg
I did spend the night in the hospital and was released Tuesday after-noon. I am sore, but feel fine. I would like to thank the many well wishers who E-mailed me, and I hope to see them at Dayton.... 73 de Tedd

DAYTON HAMVENTION BROADCAST. Tom Medlin, W5KUB, reports the following [edited]: "It's time for the 2013 Dayton Hamvention broadcast!! -- Please join us during our live, online broadcast of the Dayton Hamvention this week. To join the broadcast go to <http://W5KUB.com> where the fun begins!
New venue for 2013: We will be located inside Hara Arena at Booth SA302 to provide you with a totally different program. There will be no rain, hail, sleet, or snow on our cameras this year!!
During the Hamvention W5KUB will interview vendors regarding their latest products. We will have many special guests such as Bob Heil

(K9EID) of Heil Sound; Martin F. Jue (K5FLU) founder of MFJ Enterprises; John Amodeo (NN6JA) producer of ABC TV☐s hit show, "Last Man Standing"; and many more.
During the live broadcast, you will also have the opportunity to meet and chat with other ham radio operators from all over the world. During the 2012 Dayton Hamvention we had 47,400 viewers that followed our broadcast for the 5 day broadcast!
You could win one of 43 prizes, valued over $5,300, which will be awarded during the broadcast! The prizes include dual band mobile, HTs, D-star ID-51A, Comet Antenna Analyzer, Heil microphone and headset, antennas, weather station, computer to radio interface, spool LMR-400, auto antenna tuners, and much more. These prizes are made possible because of our relationship with partners; such as, GigaParts, Ten-Tec, NCG Company, Kantronics, MP Antenna, Heil Sound, ARRL, MFJ, and many more. In the past year over $10,000 in prizes have been awarded! Of course, no purchase is necessary to win a prize. W5KUB is not affiliated with any products or companies and does not sell any products or services.
Dayton Hamvention broadcast schedule (all times are subject to change):
* Wednesday, May 15th: 1300 UTC (8:00 AM CT) drive from Memphis to Dayton, Ohio (10 hours). Yes, this will be a live broadcast!
* Thursday, May 16th: 1300 UTC - 2030 UTC (9:00 AM - 4:30 PM ET), set up at Hara Arena and visit with vendors.
* Friday, May 17th: 1200 UTC - 2100 UTC (8:00 AM ☐ 5:00 PM ET), Dayton Hamvention
* Saturday, May 18th: 1200 UTC - 2100 UTC (8:00 AM ☐ 5:00 PM ET), Dayton Hamvention
* Sunday, May 19th: 1200 UTC ☐ 1600 UTC (8:00 AM ☐ noon ET), Dayton Hamvention
* Sunday, May 19th: 1700 UTC (1:00 PM CT) drive from Dayton to Memphis (10 hours). Yes, this will be a live broadcast!

Join our group on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/w5kub/> to keep up with us year-round.
Also, please help spread the word by posting this announcement in Facebook and forwarding this message to your ham radio friends that may not have received this message!

We'll 'see' you at Hamvention!.....
73, Tom Medlin, W5KUB -- <http://w5kub.com>"

VK0H, HEARD ISLAND (DXpedition Reschedule!). Press release from the Heard Island Web page dated May 15th [edited]: "PROJECT RESCHEDULING AND RESTRUCTURING -- We wish to announce that the expedition to Heard Island has been rescheduled for January, 2015. The primary reason for this decision was the cost of using the preferred vessel, the Marion Dufresne to put the team on Heard Island for the required time. In spite of extensive negotiations and rescheduling of the cruise, it became clear that the cost of using this vessel will exceed $1 million, and therefore the total cost for the project would be about $1.5 million, as we noted earlier. In spite of our plan to increase the team size to

50 (which the M-D can accommodate) to partially cover this cost, we reluctantly concluded that sponsorship at this level would be impossible. We have therefore decided to delay the expedition to January, 2015, to allow more time to restructure the project, locate a more suitable vessel, and bring the cost more in line with projected available resources.
One benefit of this rescheduling will be to enable the mountain science team to carry out the exploration of Big Ben on the 50th anniversary of the first ascent (in 1965). The 3000-meter volcano on Mawson Peak is currently erupting, and study of the changes brought by this eruption will be safe and significant during the 2015 season. A major component of the expedition will be to document the effects of the eruption, the state and condition of the flanking glaciers, and the changes in evanescent lagoons on the east slopes of the mountain.
A second benefit of the restructuring is that we will plan for amateur radio operations to be carried out over a longer time, up to 30 or more days. Furthermore, the campsite will be located on the east side of Heard Island, enabling paths to areas of the world that were not accessible in the last operation (in 1997). With the requirement of the longer stay on Heard Island, we will be assembling a new radio team with operators who are highly experienced and dedicated to the challenge of activating Heard Island with the new project requirements.
The third benefit of rescheduling is to have the time to develop sophisticated instrumentation and systems for state-of-the-art real-time communications with the expedition. We will have satellite links to enable real-time reporting of the radio log (using a new version of DXA, which was successfully used on previous DXpeditions (K7C and TX5K). In addition, we plan to implement real-time interactive communications and reporting from the mountaineering team as they explore the volcano, and to enable scientific and educational groups to work interactively with the onsite team.
The budget for the restructured project will likely be significantly less than $500k. We plan for a total team of 12-15 persons, and we will solicit team members with experience, motivation, and multiple skills. Except for the organizing principals, we are starting anew to build the team for this very different mission. We will work to keep the cost to participants below $15k, and will expect the team to work together to find support and make the appropriate preparations. Safety will be paramount.
We will post an update on 15 June 2013, including an updated Project Description (under DOCUMENTS). For more information, please contact Dr. Robert Schmieder, KK6EK Organizer and Expedition leader, Schmieder (a) cordell.org, or Rich Holoch, KY6R, Co-planner rholoch (a) comcast.com. We have posted updates on the expedition website <www.heardisland.org>.

Z8, SOUTH SUDAN. The following is a press release from Martti, OH2BH, dated May 15th [edited]: "As part of the April 2, 2013, visit to South Sudan by a delegation headed by the Foreign Minister of Finland, several supporting elements were discussed. Just three weeks later, following a series of meetings focusing on practical matters in Juba, there was a high-level presentation, with relevant endorsements, made to the South

Sudan government. The presentation was made with a view toward enlisting support on telecommunications matters in general and Amateur Radio's role in society in particular. Ultimately, a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) was signed specifying several elements of Amateur Radio as a study case for local administrators. These elements include Amateur Radio□s role in society, frequency allocations, regulatory matters and promotion of Amateur Radio as part of an educational agenda. The MoU calls for a workshop to be held for the senior staff of the Ministry of Telecommunications and Postal Services. Members of the Ministry of Higher Education and the Research and Technology agency will also attend the workshop.
In early June, a senior South Sudan telecommunications official will attend an IARU Administrator's Course in Accra, Ghana to observe ITU and IARU. This travel will be made possible thanks to the valuable support of the Yasme Foundation <www.yasme.org>.
As Amateur Radio is only provisionally regulated in South Sudan, the Radio Arcala Fellowship Group of Finland, OH8X, was granted a provisional license □ Z81X □ to facilitate operating events during visits by the project representatives. We expect that Z81X will be activated several times during the course of this project, notably on low bands and in CQWW Contests.
Just today, the initial Z81X activity, with one radio only, was concluded with more than 20.000 QSOs. QSOs were split evenly between the three major population areas of the world - Europe 8693 (43%), North America 5774 (29%) and Asia 5162 (26%). The Finnish duo - Olli, OH0XX and Martti, OH2BH - has now returned to their native Finland. See <www.qrz.com/db/Z81X>.
As the entire project is carried out on a voluntary basis, the group will accept donations to be used solely for offsetting direct project expenses incurred in South Sudan. ClubLog OQRS is now active for QSL requests (bureau or direct) and project support..
We are pleased to acknowledge the support of Mr. Pekka Haavisto, the Finnish Foreign Minister's Special Representative to the Horn of Africa and Sudan. We also acknowledge the supporting efforts of Mr. Amul Behera of Rock City Investments, Juba, Dr Anu Kantele of Helsinki University Central Hospital, Massimo, Z81B (IZ0EGB), Diya, Z81D (YI1DZ) and Ken, Z81Z (K4ZW) for supporting the project and welcoming the latest country of the world to the valued ranks of Amateur Radio.
Z81X QSL manager is OH0XX, QRZ.com."

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SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 16 May 2013, 1305UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 16 May 2013 until 18 May 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Major flares expected (X-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Active conditions expected (A>=20 or K=4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Proton event in progress (>10 MeV)
PREDICTIONS FOR 16 May 2013 10CM FLUX: 147 / AP: 010
PREDICTIONS FOR 17 May 2013 10CM FLUX: 149 / AP: 025
PREDICTIONS FOR 18 May 2013 10CM FLUX: 151 / AP: 007
COMMENT:No major flares in past 24h, the largest one was a C1.6 from NOAA AR 1748
peaking at 12:37 UT on May 15. This AR is still expected to produce major
flares. NOAA AR 1745 has potential for M-class flares. The proton flux
remains over the threshold of 1 protons/cm2-s-sr for the past 24h. This
increase is related to the CME and X1.2 solar flare from May 15.
Geomagnetic conditions have ranged from unsettled to active. ACE data shows
an ICME arriving at 08:00 UT on May 15, most likely corresponding to the
CME of May 12. A glancing blow of the CME from May 15 can be expected in
the first half of May 17, increasing geomagnetic conditions up to storm
levels (estimated max K = 6).
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 139, BASED ON 08 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 15 May 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 146
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 028
AK WINGST : 011
ESTIMATED AP : 011
ESTIMATED ISN : 111, BASED ON 23 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM RADIO BURST TYPES Catania NOAA NOTE
NONE
END
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21200. ARLD020 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-05-16 22:05:47 UTC
From: jjreisert@...
Topic: 4115 Message: 21200

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DX Bulletin 20 ARLD020
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Newington CT May 16, 2013
To all radio amateurs

SB DX ARL ARLD020
ARLD020 DX news

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CYPRUS, 5B. Tony, RT9T is QRV as 5B4ALB until May 28. Activity is on all HF bands and modes. This includes being an entry in the upcoming CQ WPX CW contest, possibly with a different call sign. QSL direct to home call.

SENEGAL, 6V. Vlad, RK4FF is QRV as 6V7S from Le Calao in Ngaparou until May 30. Activity is on 80 to 10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL to home call.

PORTUGAL, CT. Special event station CS25ARVM will be QRV from May 20 to 26 to celebrate the 25th anniversary of ARVM. Activity will be on 80 to 10 meters, as well as 2 meters and 70 cm, using CW and SSB. QSL via CT1VM. In addition, special call sign CR5AT will be QRV on May 18 from the castle Amieira do Tejo. QSL via CS5CRE.

FRANCE, F. A group of operators will be QRV as F6KUF/p from May 18 to 20 from the Ile de Noirmoutier. Activity will be on 80 to 6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY with three stations. QSL via F6KUF/p.

BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA, E7. Special event station E720SRRS is QRV until the end of 2013 in celebration of 20 years of the Savez radio-amatera Republike Srpske. QSL via bureau.

BELARUS, EW. Special event station EV196VTAP is used to commemorate the 70th anniversary of a military regiment. QSL via EW8LL.

GALAPAGOS, HC8. Alex, HD2A and Alberto, HC2AQ are QRV as HD8A from Isla de Santa Cruz, IOTA SA-004, until May 20. Activity is on the HF bands. QSL direct via HD2A.

COLOMBIA, HK. A large group of women operators will be QRV as 5K3YL on May 18 during the Days of YLs contest. Activity will be on 40 and 20 meters using SSB. QSL via EA3DUF.

REPUBLIC OF KOREA, HL. Kang, DS4DRE/5, will be active from Hajo Island, IOTA AS-060, until December. Activity is on 80 to 10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via home call.

US VIRGIN ISLANDS, KP2. Look for Fred, K9VV to be QRV as NP2X and Bob, WP2XX to be QRV from May 21 to 28 from the Radio Reef DXers Super-Station on St. Croix Island, IOTA NA-106. During the upcoming CQ WPX CW contest, they will be active as KP2M. QSL KP2M direct to AI4U, NP2X direct via K5WW and WP2XX direct.

BONAIRE, PJ4. John, K4BAI will be QRV as PJ4/K4BAI from May 22 to 27. Activity will be on the HF bands. He plans to be active as PJ4A in the upcoming CQ WPX CW contest. QSL both calls via K4BAI.

SLOVENIA, S5. Special event station S545DSW is QRV until May 31 in celebration of the founding of Radio Club Mozirje 45 years ago. Activity is on the HF bands using mainly SSB and digital modes. QSL via S51DSW.

GREECE, SV. A group of operators are QRV as SZ8S from Samos Island, IOTA EU-049, until May 30. Activity is holiday style on the HF bands. QSL direct via G1LAT.

TURKS AND CAICOS ISLANDS, VP5. Dave, W5CW is QRV as VP5/W5CW from Caicos Island, until June 11. Activity is on 160 to 6 meters using CW and SSB. QSL to home call.

FALKLAND ISLANDS, VP8. Andy, M0HLT is QRV as VP8DOH while on work assignment for the coming two years. He is active on the higher bands using SSB in his spare time. QSL via operator's instructions.

OPERATIONS APPROVED FOR DXCC CREDIT. The following operations have been approved for DXCC credit: Ghana, 9G5EME, 2013 operation; Cocos Island, TI9CCC, February 15 through February 28, 1984 operation.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The NCCC RTTY Sprint, NCCC Sprint, The Day of YLs, UN DX Contest, EU BPSK63 DX Contest, Aegean RTTY Contest, His Majesty King of Spain CW Contest, Feld Hell Sprint, Baltic Contest and the UA2 QSO Party are all on tap for this weekend. The Run for the Bacon QRP CW Contest is scheduled for May 20. The SKCC CW Sprint and CWops Mini-CWT CW Test are scheduled for May 22. Please see May QST, page 80, and the ARRL and WA7BNM Contest websites for details.
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21201. Ohio/Penn DX Special Bulletin #1112.2

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-05-17 12:00:00 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 21201 Message: 21201

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CQ NEWS (Press Release - 2013 Hall of Fame Inductees). CQ magazine today announced its 2013 Hall of Fame inductees, adding two members each to the CQ DX and Contest Halls of Fame along with eight new members of the CQ Amateur Radio Hall of Fame.

The CQ Amateur Radio Hall of Fame honors those individuals, whether licensed hams or not, who have made significant contributions to amateur radio; and those amateurs who have made significant contributions either to amateur radio, to their professional careers or to some other aspect of life on our planet. The 2013 inductees (listed alphabetically) are:

* Evelyn Garrison, WS7A (SK) - amateur radio industry leader
* Joel Kleinman, N1BKE (SK) - former Managing Editor of QST magazine
* Laurie Margolis, G3UML/GPC3L - Longtime BBC correspondent and contributor to amateur radio magazines
* Michael Owen, VK3KI (SK) - Longtime president of the Wireless Institute of Australia and chairman of IARU Region 3
* Harry Rubinstein (ex-9EEV) (SK) - Inventor of the printed circuit, the slider potentiometer and the combination potentiometer/on-off switch
* Walker Tompkins, K6ATX - Journalist, author and historian, his three dozen books included several well-known ham radio-related novels
* Joe Walsh, WB6ACU - Rock music performer and Rock & Roll Hall of Fame inductee
* William G. (Bill) Welsh, W6DDB (SK) - CQ Novice Editor for 20 years; responsible for helping thousands to get their ham licenses

CQ DX and Contest and DX Halls of Fame

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The 2013 inductees to the CQ DX Hall of Fame are:
* Vladimir Bykov, UA4WHX/AC4LN, has visited and operated from over 100 DX entities in the past ten years and operated from all six continents in 2012 alone. Has provided over 700,000 DX contacts for hams around the world (and QSLed them all).
* Robert "Gary" Dixon, K4MQG, is a founding member of the Carolina DX Association and as Founding President of INDEXA, the International DX Association, which has helped support over 200 DXpeditions in the past 30 years.

The 2013 inductees to the CQ Contest Hall of Fame are:
* Dale Green, VE7SV, is a world-class contester who has been hosting teams of new and experienced contesters at his superstation for the past 20 years, and recently helped start a contest group in Chile.
* Charles "Chas" Fulp, K3WW, also a multi-award winning contester and past president of the Frankford Radio Club (FRC), which saysChas "is our role model and sets the standard for other FRC members to strive to achieve."

Formal inductions to the CQ Contest and DX Halls of Fame were scheduled for the Dayton Hamvention.® More detailed descriptions of inductees will appear in the official announcement in the July 2013 issue of CQ magazine.

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Help: <mailto:opdx-request@...?subject=help>
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Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@...?subject=unsubscribe>
OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):
http://www.papays.com/opdx.html
ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB PAGES AT:
http://www.nodxa.org
http://www.facebook.com/NorthernOhioDxAssociation

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Sysop of the "Basic Amateur Radio Frequency BBS" (BARF80.ORG)

21202. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-05-17 14:01:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21202

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:Issued: 2013 May 17 1307 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
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# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
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SIDC URSIGRAM 30517
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 17 May 2013, 1305UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 17 May 2013 until 19 May 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Major flares expected (X-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Active conditions expected (A>=20 or K=4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Proton event in progress (>10 MeV)
PREDICTIONS FOR 17 May 2013 10CM FLUX: 149 / AP: 014
PREDICTIONS FOR 18 May 2013 10CM FLUX: 150 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 19 May 2013 10CM FLUX: 152 / AP: 013
COMMENT:Two M-class flares in past 24h, both from NOAA AR 1748. The first one
occurred on May 16 at 21:53 UT, with intensity M1.3. The second flare was
an M3.2 and peaked at 08:57 UT on May 17. This AR has still potential for
producing X class flares. It maintains its beta-gamma-delta magnetic
configuration, even though some fragmentation is seen in the trailing
region and there are some indications that polarities are separating within
the delta spot penumbra. The M3.2 flare of today was related to radio
bursts and a CME. SWAP detected clear dimmings and an EIT wave around NOAA
AR1748. There are no LACO data available yet, but a CME is indeed seen in
STEREO COR2 data, it can be Earth directed. The speed in COR2-B is
calculated to be 1300 km/s, making a possible arrival to the Earth on May
19 around noon. Protons levels (10MeV) are still above threshold, stable
around 3 protons/cm2-s-sr. Geomagnetic conditions have been unsettled to
active, due to long lasting periods of slow solar wind with sustained mild
negative Bz (around -5nT). These are not related to the arrival of the CME
of May 15, which is still not visible in ACE data, and may still arrive
later today and produce storm levels (estimated max K = 6). As a reminder,
this series of CMEs related to AR 1748 had a source region within 30
degrees of the solar limb, which reduces their possibility of arrival to
the Earth to around 30%.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 124, BASED ON 10 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 16 May 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 145
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 028
AK WINGST : 024
ESTIMATED AP : 023
ESTIMATED ISN : 142, BASED ON 16 STATIONS.
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NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
17 0843 0857 0919 N12E57 M3.2 2B 450 75/1748 IV/2II/2
END

21203. ARLP020 Propagation de K7RA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-05-17 15:12:37 UTC
From: jjreisert@...
Topic: 4144 Message: 21203

SB PROP @ ARL $ARLP020
ARLP020 Propagation de K7RA

ZCZC AP20
QST de W1AW
Propagation Forecast Bulletin 20 ARLP020
>From Tad Cook, K7RA
Seattle, WA May 17, 2013
To all radio amateurs

SB PROP ARL ARLP020
ARLP020 Propagation de K7RA

This is, after all, the peak of the current solar cycle, or close to it, so no surprise that solar indices are up. But based on past solar cycles, many of us expected more. The latest forecast predicts a peak for this cycle in Fall 2013, but of course that will be determined afterward, and based on a long running average of sunspot numbers. So don't miss this one. Don't wait until a year after the peak, then lament not being on back when. Today may have the best Spring propagation for a long time.

The past week saw average daily sunspot numbers increase by more than 34 points to 156.1. Average daily solar flux was up by nearly three points to 140.1. On Wednesday, May 15 the daily sunspot number was 186, the highest number since January 6-7, when the sunspot numbers were 186 and 196.

Predicted solar flux for the near term is 145 on May 17-18, 140 on May 19, 135 on May 20, 130 on May 21, 125 on May 22, 120 on May 23-24, 160 on May 25, 170 on May 26, 160 on May 27-28, 155 on May 29-30, 150 on May 31, 155 on June 1, 160 on June 2-3, 155 on June 4, 150 on June 5, and 145 on June 6-8.

Predicted planetary A index is 15 on May 17, 8 on May 18-19, 5 on May 20, 8 on May 21, 15 on May 22, 12 on May 23, 8 on May 24, 5 on May 25-27, 15 and 10 on May 28-29, 5 on May 30 through June 8, 8 on June 9, and 5 on June 10 and 12 on June 11.

Http://Spaceweather.com reports this morning (May 17) that a CME may strike Earth today from an X1 flare two days ago, but it is expected to be a glancing blow instead of a direct hit. NOAA predicts a 40% chance of polar geomagnetic storms. This is from sunspot group 1478, which should be pointing directly at Earth in a few days. ZDnet ran a story on this today:

http://www.zdnet.com/active-sunspot-fires-solar-flares-cme-toward-us-7000015460/

Http://space.com ran a mid-week piece on sunspot group 1478, complete with video and cinematic score:

http://www.space.com/21150-huge-solar-flares-busy-sunspot.html

OK1HH predicts quiet to active geomagnetic conditions May 17-18, mostly quiet May 19, quiet on May 20, mostly quiet May 21, active to disturbed May 22, quiet to active May 23-24, mostly quiet May 25-26, quiet May 27, quiet to active May 28, active to disturbed May 29, quiet to unsettled May 30, mostly quiet May 31 and June 1, quiet to unsettled June 2-3, mostly quiet June 4, and quiet on June 5-8.

David Moore sends along a link to a video from Phil Plait's Bad Astronomy blog on http://slate.com. This one shows time-lapse photography of aurora from Northern Michigan:

http://vimeo.com/65504232

This is a pretty high bandwidth HD video, so if you have an average broadband connection, you may want to turn off the audio and walk away from the computer for a while and let the buffer load up on data, then run the video from the beginning.

Phil Plait's commentary on the video is well worth reading, and you can find it on http://slate.com if you select "Health and Science" across the top, then page down to "Time Lapse Video."

There are a couple of space weather pages on Facebook of interest to hams. You will have to sign up for Facebook to read these, but it is free and painless. Check out http://www.facebook.com/232532740131296 and http://www.facebook.com/spacewx.hfradio.

Check out http://www.ipellejero.es/hf/english/index.html, an interesting and useful page found just by fooling around with a popular web search engine. Search about one-fifth down the page for "Solar Flux Index and Sunspots." You'll see an interesting plot correlating proton flux, solar flux and sunspot number.

Today (May 17) at 0915 UTC the http://www.spaceweatherlive.com/en site issued this alert: "There was a huge eruption on the Sun observed with class M3.21." At 0952 UTC their website said "In the past two hours there was a big solar flare with a class of M3.21."

Lee Gordy, W4KUT of Cartersville, Georgia sent this report about what he was up to over the past few days, along with a propagation query about solar flares and HF blackouts: "I participated in a GEMA/FEMA/Homeland Security exercise at Stone Mountain, Georgia this week. I was with Paulding County EMA/ARES. There were a couple dozen EMA, Fire & Rescue, LEO and National Guard MCVs gathered from all over the state for the four day event."

My guess is an MCV must be a Mobile Command or Communications Vehicle, and of course a LEO is a Law Enforcement Officer. I think EMA must be an Emergency Management Agency.

The exercise was Monday through Thursday, May 13-16.

Lee continues, "We were tasked with many activities, including checking-in to the statewide Georgia ARES HF net (80 and 40 meters) every hour, from 0900 through 1700 local, May 14-15, using CW, Voice (LSB), and PSK31.

"ARES played a big part in the exercise.

"The HF conditions were, according to local propagation experts, supposed to be a total HF blackout. But we had no problem on 80 and 40 meters. What happened?

"There was supposed to be a black-out due to CME or some kind of disturbance. Our take? Ol' Sol cannot be tamed! Much less predicted.

"Our station (WX4PCA Paulding County ARES), observed no anomalies on 80 or 40 meters during the entire period from Monday May 13 through Thursday May 16. Go figure."

Thanks, Lee! I believe the blackout predictions were based on worst case scenarios in which solar flares could have a big effect if they were aimed squarely at Earth, but they weren't.

If you check the archives for those days at http://www.spaceweather.com/ (check the upper right, and dial in your date) you will see plenty of coverage regarding solar flares, but all were around the eastern limb of the Sun, none really geoeffective toward Earth. But check the mid-latitude indices (on the left side) at http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/ftpdir/latest/DGD.txt and you don't see a lot of activity. Plus, Georgia is way down south, and not subject to the disturbances common at higher latitudes. For example, here in Seattle I am at 47.7 degrees north latitude, but the entire state of Georgia sits between 30.7 and 35 degrees north latitude.

Jon Jones, N0JK of Lawrence, Kansas wrote: "Every dog has his day. I worked LU9EHF FF95 in Argentina on 50.130 MHz with 59 signals at 2159 UTC May 10. My antenna was a dipole in the attic over the garage, the radio a 100 watt FT-897.

"I was watching our two grand children while the XYL was out on errands. I checked the radio and DXscape from time to time in between entertaining them. At 2145 UTC K0HA EN10 spotted LU9EHF on 50.130. I tuned to .130 not expecting to hear anything, but heard some weak Spanish accented SSB on frequency. It was LU9EHF. He worked a W8 then suddenly got much louder. Very loud, way over S-9. He worked N0LWF EN10wm in Nebraska at 2157 UTC. I waited anxiously for them to finish their QSO. LU9EHF went QRZ, I dropped my call in. Bam! Luis came right back and we exchanged reports. LU9EHF is in FF95, 8,914 km away.

"I recorded parts of LU9EHF's QSOs with K9KU EN61 and WF0N EM28 after I signed with him. Luis was so loud the speaker on the radio was distorting. Larry, N0LL EM09 spotted LU9EHF at 2220 and K0GU DN70 at 2248 UTC. I suspect a fairly high wave angle to the Es link given the strength of LU9EHF's signal on the dipole. Perhaps chordal hop Es to TEP link? It was one of the more remarkable things I have heard on 6 meters.

"Let Hercules himself do what he may, the cat will mew and the dog will have his day." Spoken by Hamlet in William Shakespeare, The Tragedy of Hamlet, Prince of Denmark. Act V, Scene 1, page 13.

See http://www.dxscape.com/ for DXscape, mentioned by N0JK.

If you would like to make a comment or have a tip for our readers, email the author at, k7ra@....

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service web page at, http://arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals. For an explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin, see http://arrl.org/the-sun-the-earth-the-ionosphere. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at http://arrl.org/w1aw-bulletins-archive-propagation. More good information and tutorials on propagation are at http://k9la.us/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://arrl.org/propagation.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of ARRL bulletins are at http://arrl.org/bulletins.

Sunspot numbers for May 9 through 15 were 154, 149, 145, 173, 144, 142, and 186, with a mean of 156.1. 10.7 cm flux was 128.4, 124.8, 136.6, 147.3, 150.3, 147.9, and 145.6, with a mean of 140.1. Estimated planetary A indices were 5, 5, 4, 5, 6, 8, and 9, with a mean of 6. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 4, 4, 4, 6, 6, 7, and 10, with a mean of 5.9.
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21204. 425 DX News - #1150

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-05-18 09:21:22 UTC
From: r_brothers
Topic: 21204 Message: 21204

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** DX INFORMATION ****
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Direttore Responsabile I2VGW

CT - Special event station CS25ARVM will be active on 20-26 May to
celebrate the 25th anniversary of the Associacao de Radioamadores
da Vila de Moscavide/Radioamadores do Concelho de Loures. Activity
will be on 10, 15, 20, 40 and 80 metres SSB and CW. QSL via
CT1RVM. [TNX ARVM]
CT9 - DL8LAS, DL9EE and DK9IP will participate in the CQ WW WPX CW
Contest as CR3L (www.cr3l.de) from Madeira Island (AF-014). Look
for them to be active (also on RTTY) as CT9/homecall two days
before the contest. [TNX DK9IP]
DL - Sebastian, DL1AXX will be active as DL1AXX/p from Baltrum Island
(EU-047) on 20-26 May. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX
rsgbiota.org]
DL - Harald, DJ2II will be active as DJ2II/p from Langeness Island
(EU-042) on 21-29 May. He plans to operate SSB and CW on 80-10
metres. QSL via home call, direct ore bureau, and LoTW. [TNX
rsgbiota.org]
GJ - Seven Belgians (ON4ACP, ON4ANN, ON4CAU, ON4CCV, ON8CW, ON4CKM and
ON6MI) will be active as MJ/ON6NB from Jersey on 24-30 May. They
will operate SSB, CW and PSK on 160-2 metres with an emphasis on
the higher bands. QSL via ON4ANN, direct or bureau. Further
information at http://users.telenet.be/on4ann/MJ/index.html [TNX
NG3K]
HL - Look for DS4DRE/4 to be QRV from Hajo Island (AS-060) until the
end of the year. He operates SSB and CW on 80-10 metres. QSL via
home call, direct or bureau.
I - Special event station II9SUB will be active on 20-26 May for the
50th Convention of the International Community of Submariners to
be held in Catania. QSL via IT9MRM.
OH0 - Look for Hans OH0/PA0VHA, Steve OH0/PA2A, Wim OH0/PA2AM, Martin
OH0/PA2VMA, Wil OH0/PA3ALK and Jack OH0/PA3BAG to be active from
Eckero, Aland Islands (EU-002) from 25 May to 7 June. They will
operate SSB, CW and RTTY on the HF bands, and will also give 2m a
try. [TNX rsgbiota.org]
PJ4 - John K4BAI, Roger N4RR and David NA2AA will participate in the CQ
WW WPX CW Contest from Bonaire (SA-006). They will be signing PJ4A
(SOAB 40m), PJ4R (SOAB 15m) and PJ4G (SOAB 10 or 20m)

respectively. Before the contest they will use PJ4/homecall on all bands. [TNX OPDX Bulletin]
SV - Boyko, LZ1QN and others will be active as SV8/homecalls from Zakynthos Island (EU-052) on 19-27 May. They will participate in the CQ WW WPX CW Contest as SW8LZ (QSL via LZ1QN). [TNX NG3K]
VE - Ron, VA3RVK has been granted the special callsign XL3T to commemorate the 100th Anniversary of the Canadian Arctic Expedition (1913-1916). Look for him to be QRV on all bands and modes between 24 May and 23 June, including an entry in the CQWW WPX CW Contest. QSL via VA3RVK. [TNX VA3RJ]
VK - Special event call VI103WIA will be active on 23-27 May for the Wireless Institute of Australia AGM and National Conference (http://conference.vk6.net) that will be held in Freemantle (Western Australia). [TNX Southgate ARC]
YB - The 22-26 May YE8P operation from the Togian Islands [425DXN 1148] has been cancelled. [TNX JN6RZM]

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DXCC NEWS ---> Over the years some applicants have had TI9CCC for Cocos Island rejected in their DXCC application mostly due to "Incorrect Date Period". The issue with the dates for this operation have been resolved. If you had this operation rejected, and your confirmation falls between 15-28 February 1984, send an e-mail to bmoore[@]arrl.org to be placed on the list for an update to your record. Also approved for DXCC is 9G5EME (Ghana, 2013 operation). [TNX NC1L]

HEARD ISLAND 2015 ---> The expedition to Heard Island has been rescheduled for January 2015. "The primary reason for this decision was the cost of using the preferred vessel, the Marion Dufresne to put the team on Heard Island for the required time. In spite of extensive negotiations and rescheduling of the cruise, it became clear that the cost of using this vessel will exceed $1 million, and therefore the total cost for the project would be about $1.5 million, as we noted earlier. In spite of our plan to increase the team size to 50 (which the M-D can accommodate) to partially cover this cost, we reluctantly concluded that sponsorship at this level would be impossible. We have therefore decided to delay the expedition to January 2015, to allow more time to restructure the project, locate a more suitable vessel, and bring the cost more in line with projected available resources".
One of the benefits of this rescheduling/restructuring is that "we will plan for amateur radio operations to be carried out over a longer time, up to 30 or more days". A new radio team will be assembled: "the budget for the restructured project will likely be significantly less than $500k. We plan for a total team of 12-15 persons, and we will solicit team members with experience, motivation, and multiple skills". Read the complete announcement on www.heardisland.org.

LOTW SOFTWARE ---> The ARRL will release a new version of Trusted QSL, the open-source development project responsible for developing and maintaining the three Logbook of the World (LoTW) client-side applications: TQSL, TQSLCert and the TrustedQSL library. After six weeks of public beta testing, version 1.14 is ready for official release and will be available for download from the ARRL website beginning Monday, May 20.
Version 1.14 includes these new features:
- Log files can be signed and uploaded over the internet to LoTW in one operation.
- Errors in Station Locations are reported (for example, incorrect CQ and ITU zones).
- QSOs that need not be re-submitted ("duplicates") are brought to the user's attention.
- Error reporting has been improved.
- Installation on Windows has been improved.
- Users are notified when a new version becomes available.
- Documentation has been improved.
Upgrading to version 1.14 is not mandatory, but is encouraged. Users who choose not to upgrade will not be able to access the new features in version 1.14, but they will still be able to upload logs into the LoTW system.

QSL OJ0W ---> All of the oustanding QSOs (August-September 2012) have been confirmed automatically via the bureau. If a direct card is still needed, send it to Pasi, OH3WS. [TNX OH3WS]

WRTC 2014 ---> "We have implemented a new WRTC2014 volunteer and contact management database. We will use this to find people with skills/interests that match our needs": www.wrtc2014.org/wrtc2014-organization/volunteer/ [TNX K5ZD]

XZ1K ---> Simon, HS0ZIB is active as XZ1K [425DXN 1148] on 20 metres PSK-31 from Kawthaung, Myanmar during the weekends. QSOs can be checked and direct cards can be requested at http://www.myradioclub.org/xz1k/. "LOTW is not yet available", he says. "I submitted documents to the ARRL for DXCC approval on 30 April, but although the package is shown as delivered to the ARRL I have had no feedback". Check his qrz.com page for updates.

Z81X ---> "As Amateur Radio is only provisionally regulated in South Sudan, the Radio Arcala Fellowship Group of Finland (OH8X) was granted a provisional license (Z81X) to facilitate operating events during visits by the project representatives. We expect that Z81X will be activated several times during the course of this project, notably on low bands and in CQWW Contests.
The initial Z81X activity, with one radio only, was concluded on 15 May with more than 20,000 QSOs (Europe 43%, North America 29% and Asia 26%). Olli, OH0XX and Martti, OH2BH have now returned home. "As the entire project is carried out on a voluntary basis, the group will accept donations to be used solely for offsetting direct project expenses incurred in South Sudan. Club Log OQRS is now active for QSL requests (bureau or direct) and project support". Read the complete "Project Goodwill South Sudan Interim Report" at http://www.qrz.com/db/Z81X

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21206. Report SIDC Ursigram

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:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30518
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 18 May 2013, 1305UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 18 May 2013 until 20 May 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Active (M-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Minor storm expected (A>=30 or K=5)
SOLAR PROTONS : Proton event in progress (>10 MeV)
PREDICTIONS FOR 18 May 2013 10CM FLUX: 136 / AP: 014
PREDICTIONS FOR 19 May 2013 10CM FLUX: 135 / AP: 025
PREDICTIONS FOR 20 May 2013 10CM FLUX: 134 / AP: 010
COMMENT:Solar activity has been low, NOAA AR 1748 produced a C6.0 flare with peak
at 03:45 UT. This remains the most active region, although it is decreasing
in complexity, and may lose its delta configuration soon. M-class flares
can be expected, and X-class flares remain possible. Proton levels are
decreasing, but are still slightly over the threshold for 10 MeV. A shock
arrived to the Earth at 00:30 UT, it corresponds to the CME from May 15. It
arrived later than expected, which can happen for glancing blow events. A
short sheath was seen right after the shock. A solar wind speed of 450 km/s
and Bz up to -15 nT caused Kp = 5, between 00:00 UT and 06:00UT, while the
local Dourbes K value went up to 4. The CME from May 17 is expected to
arrive around noon on May 19 and cause up to major geomagnetic storms.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 088, BASED ON 08 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 17 May 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 200
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 136
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 030
AK WINGST : 012
ESTIMATED AP : 012
ESTIMATED ISN : 122, BASED ON 14 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21207. Report SIDC Ursigram

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# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30519
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 19 May 2013, 1305UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 19 May 2013 until 21 May 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Active (M-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Minor storm expected (A>=30 or K=5)
SOLAR PROTONS : Warning condition (activity levels expected to increase, but no numeric
forecast given)
PREDICTIONS FOR 19 May 2013 10CM FLUX: 132 / AP: 029
PREDICTIONS FOR 20 May 2013 10CM FLUX: 130 / AP: 014
PREDICTIONS FOR 21 May 2013 10CM FLUX: 128 / AP: 007
COMMENT:Only C-class flares occurred in past 24h. The strongest one was a C3.4 from
NOAA AR 1750 with peak at 09:15 UT. NOAA AR 1748 has lost complexity and
has now a beta-delta magnetic configuration, it still can produce M flares
and, less likely, X-class flares. The 10 MeV proton flux has descended
below the threshold of 10 protons/cm2-s-sr, for the first time since May
15. Geomagnetic activity has ranged from unsettled to active in past 24h.
It can reach up to major storm levels when the May 17 CME arrives to the
Earth today.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 087, BASED ON 12 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 18 May 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 132
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 019
AK WINGST : 019
ESTIMATED AP : 022
ESTIMATED ISN : 086, BASED ON 14 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21208. Report SIDC Ursigram

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#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30520
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 20 May 2013, 1205UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 20 May 2013 until 22 May 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 20 May 2013 10CM FLUX: 135 / AP: 011
PREDICTIONS FOR 21 May 2013 10CM FLUX: 133 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 22 May 2013 10CM FLUX: 133 / AP: 007
COMMENT:Solar activity was eruptive with 7 C flares mostly originating from NOAA
1750 (Catania 78) and 1 M1.7 flare from an active region just behind the
east limb peaking on May 20th 05:25 UT. There is insufficient data
available to determine an associated CME, but chances for arrival on Earth
are very low due to its location. Because the active region 1750 on the
West limb can still produce M flares, there is a possibility for a proton
event. A shock corresponding to the CME of May 17th arrived to the Earth at
22:23 UT on May 19 causing active geomagnetic conditions (K Dourbes = 4).
Geomagnetic conditions are currently quiet again and are expected to remain
so for the next 48 hours.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 077, BASED ON 08 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 19 May 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 135
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 018
AK WINGST : 014
ESTIMATED AP : 014
ESTIMATED ISN : 087, BASED ON 20 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
20 0516 0525 0603 ////// M1.7 ///////
END
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21209. Report SIDC Ursigram

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# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30521
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 21 May 2013, 1205UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 21 May 2013 until 23 May 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Active (M-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 21 May 2013 10CM FLUX: 130 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 22 May 2013 10CM FLUX: 132 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 23 May 2013 10CM FLUX: 135 / AP: 007
COMMENT:Solar activity was eruptive the last 24 hours with 7 C flares mostly
originating from AR NOAA 1748 (Catania 75) which has become more complex
again since yesterday. AR NOAA 1750 (Catania 78) is decaying, but still
has a possibility to produce M flares and due to its position, also a
proton event. A CME was detected by LASCO C2 on May 20th around 13:00
UT with an angle of around 150 degrees and a speed around 340 km/s. It
should reach Earth on May 24th around 19:00 UT, but should only have minor
impact. It originated from AR 1748 with a C flare around 10:30 UT.
Geomagnetic conditions where quiet to moderate and are expected to remain
so for the next 48 hours.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 076, BASED ON 06 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 20 May 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 120
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 132
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 011
AK WINGST : 010
ESTIMATED AP : 008
ESTIMATED ISN : 074, BASED ON 14 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
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21210. Report SIDC Ursigram

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# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30522
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 22 May 2013, 1205UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 22 May 2013 until 24 May 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 22 May 2013 10CM FLUX: 127 / AP: 008
PREDICTIONS FOR 23 May 2013 10CM FLUX: 128 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 24 May 2013 10CM FLUX: 130 / AP: 007
COMMENT:Solar activity was eruptive the last 24 hours with 6 C-class flares, with
the largest one a C2.9 flare from AR NOAA 1756. NOAA 1748 (Catania 75) has
become less complex and has only a small chance in producing an M-class
flare. Geomagnetic conditions where quiet to moderate and are expected to
remain so for the next 48 hours.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 084, BASED ON 11 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 21 May 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 125
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 012
AK WINGST : 006
ESTIMATED AP : 007
ESTIMATED ISN : 083, BASED ON 11 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
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21211. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-05-23 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21211

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:Issued: 2013 May 23 1207 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
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SIDC URSIGRAM 30523
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 23 May 2013, 1205UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 23 May 2013 until 25 May 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Major magstorm expected (A>=50 or K>=6)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 23 May 2013 10CM FLUX: 134 / AP: 011
PREDICTIONS FOR 24 May 2013 10CM FLUX: 135 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 25 May 2013 10CM FLUX: 135 / AP: 031
COMMENT:Solar Activity was active the last 24 hours with several C-class flares and
1 M5 flare peaking around 13:32 UT on May 22d with origin AR NOAA 1745. It
was associated with a proton event where levels were above the 10.0 pfu
treshold for > 10 Mev, > 30 Mev and > 50 MeV. A CME associated with this
M5 flare was detected by LASCO C3 around 15:00 UT, from the available
information, the CME has an angular width of around 120 degrees and a speed
around 1000 km/s. Based on this data the CME will reach Earth on May 25th
around 17:00 UT. A second, slower CME (500 km/s) with angular width around
90 degrees was detected by LASCO C3 at 10:18 UT from the same source region
(NOAA 1745) due to a C flare around 9:45 UT, this CME is not directed
towards Earth and will partially dissipate in the first CME. Geomagnetic
conditions where moderate (K=3) and are expected to remain quiet to
moderate until the arrival of the CME on May 25th around 17:00 UT where K
levels can reach major storm levels. (K = 6)
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 075, BASED ON 08 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 22 May 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 133
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 020
AK WINGST : 013
ESTIMATED AP : 013
ESTIMATED ISN : 087, BASED ON 19 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
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21212. ARLD021 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-05-23 21:48:08 UTC
From: jjreisert@...
Topic: 4447 Message: 21212

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ARLD021 DX news

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DX Bulletin 21 ARLD021
>From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT May 23, 2013
To all radio amateurs

SB DX ARL ARLD021
ARLD021 DX news

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by HA0HW, K1SFA, NC1L, The Weekly DX, the OPDX Bulletin, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, DXNL, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

AZERBAIJAN, 4K. Alim, 4K6FO plans to be active in the CQ WW WPX CW contest. QSL via operator's instructions.

GEORGIA, 4L. Vaho, 4L8A will be a Single Op/Single Band on 20 meter entry in the CQ WW WPX CW contest. QSL via operator's instructions.

CYPRUS, 5B. A group of operators will be QRV as P3N as a Multi/Single entry in the CQ WW WPX CW contest. QSL via RW3RN.

MADEIRA ISLANDS, CT3. Operators DL8LAS, DL9EE and DK9IP are QRV as CT9/homecalls. They will be active as CR3L in the CQ WW WPX CW contest. QSL CR3L via DJ6QT and all others to home calls.

CANARY ISLANDS, EA8. Luis, EA8AY will be QRV as EE8X from Tenerife, IOTA AF-004, in the CQ WW WPX CW contest. QSL direct via W2GR.

FRANCE, F. Special event station TM100USA will be QRV from the Montfaucon American Monument on May 25 and 26 as a special tribute to the American troops who served here during the first World War. Activity will be on 40, 20, 15 and 10 meters using CW, SSB and various digital modes. QSL via F6KUP.

JERSEY, GJ. Kazu, M0CFW is QRV as MJ0CFW from St. Brelade until May 27. He will be active as MJ5Z in the CQ WW WPX CW contest. QSL both calls direct to home call.

SVALBARD, JW. Operator DK8FD is QRV as JW/DK8FD until May 27. This includes an entry in the CQ WW WPX CW contest. QSL to home call.

LUXEMBOURG, LX. Look for LX7I to be a Multi/Two entry in the CQ WW WPX CW contest. QSL via LX2A.

ALAND ISLANDS, OH0. Tomi will be QRV as OH0Z from Fasta Aland, IOTA EU-002, in the CQ WW WPX CW contest. QSL via W0MM.

CZECH REPUBLIC, OL. Special event station OL2013DIG is QRV until June 6 during the international DIG-meeting. QSL via OK1AR.

GREENLAND, OX. Henning, OZ1BII is QRV as XP2I from Kangerlussuaq until May 27. Activity is on the HF bands using only CW. This includes an entry in the CQ WW WPX CW contest. QSL to home call.

SABA, ST. EUSTATIUS, PJ5. A group of operators are QRV as PJ6A from Saba, IOTA NA-145, until May 27. This includes an entry in the CQ WW WPX CW contest. QSL via N4NX.

GREECE, SV. Laci, HA0HW is QRV as SW8WW from Thassos Island, IOTA EU-174, until June 5. Activity is on all HF bands and 6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. This includes an entry in the CQ WW WPX CW contest as a Single Op/All Band entry. QSL to home call.

TURKEY, TA. Special event station TC1919ATA is QRV in commemoration of the landing of Kemal Atatuerk in Samsun in 1919. QSL via TA6P.

CANADA, VE. Ron, VA3RVK is QRV as XL3T until June 23 to commemorate the Canadian Arctic Expedition that took place from 1913 to 1916. This includes an entry in the CQ WW WPX CW contest. QSL via VE3AT.

AUSTRALIA, VK. Special event station VI103WIA is QRV until May 27 from Freemantle, Western Australia during the Wireless Institute of Australia AGM and National Conference. QSL via bureau.

VANUATU, YJ. Bill, K2PO is QRV as YJ0PO from Efate Island, IOTA OC-035. Activity is on 80 to 10 meters. This includes an entry in the CQ WW WPX CW contest. QSL to home call.

NEW ZEALAND, ZL. Holger, ZL3IO will be QRV from Hawke's Bay on the North Island, IOTA OC-036, as a Single Op/All Band entry in the CQ WW WPX CW contest. QSL direct to home call.

PRINCE EDWARD AND MARION ISLANDS, ZS8. David, ZS8Z has been QRV on 20 meters using SSB around 1340 to 1500z and 10 meters around 1230z. QSL via ZS1HF.

OPERATION APPROVED FOR DXCC CREDIT. The following operation is approved for DXCC credit: North Cook Island, E51WL.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The CQ World Wide WPX CW Contest, NCCC RTTY Sprint, NCCC Sprint CW Ladder, Portuguese Navy Day Digital Contest, QRP ARCI Hootowl CW Sprint and the SARL Digital Contest will certainly keep contesters busy this upcoming weekend. The MI QRP Memorial Day CW Sprint is scheduled for May 27 and 28. Please see May QST, page 80, and the ARRL and WA7BNM Contest websites for

details.
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21213. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-05-24 14:01:03 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21213

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:Issued: 2013 May 24 1253 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
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SIDC URSIGRAM 30524
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 24 May 2013, 1205UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 24 May 2013 until 26 May 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Active (M-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Major magstorm expected (A>=50 or K>=6)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 24 May 2013 10CM FLUX: 135 / AP: 017
PREDICTIONS FOR 25 May 2013 10CM FLUX: 135 / AP: 038
PREDICTIONS FOR 26 May 2013 10CM FLUX: 135 / AP: 011
COMMENT:Solar activity has been eruptive the past 24 hours featuring several
C-class flares mostly originating from AR NOAA 1756 (Catania 82). Active
conditions are expected with M-class flares especially from AR NOAA 1755
(Catania 83) and NOAA 1756 (Catania 82). Proton levels of 30 MeV and 50
Mev have dropped below the 10.0 pfu treshold, but 10 MeV, although going
down, is still above the 10.0 pfu treshold. Geomagnetic conditions where
quiet to moderate. The interplanetary magnetic field Bz component is
currently low, but turbulent which could indicate the arrival of the May
20th CME. A jump in solar wind speed is not expected with this CME. Major
Storm conditions (K >= 6) are expected on May 25th around 17:00 UT due to
the arrival of the CME of May 22.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 074, BASED ON 12 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 23 May 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 120
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 135
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 015
AK WINGST : 011
ESTIMATED AP : 010
ESTIMATED ISN : 074, BASED ON 18 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
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21214. RE: SV2ASP/A

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-05-24 14:35:03 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 21214 Message: 21214

Hi Jeff, ditto ol' chap.

Monk apollo is an enigma for us VK6s.
Many of us still need SV/A for an all time new one (all modes/bands) including me.

Since 2006, I have heard him once 44 LP 20m SSB but couldn't break the EU pile.

I put a spot on the cluster every time he is spotted hoping that he will see it or someone will convey a message to him. I reckon I have been on air 10 times when he has been QRV in the last 7 years and zip. Some guys from the US visited Monk Apollo last year to put an antenna up on the hill, I haven't heard the outcome.

The Dear Monk's Monastery is on the east side of a hill, so I guess we will only hear him LP.

I did once write to Monk Apollo but nothing has been forthcoming.

Keep at 'em.

73, Lance -VK6DU

On May 24, 2013, at 9:18 PM, "Jeff Gaylard" <jeffg@...<mailto:jeffg@...>> wrote:
Hi there

Seen your spot . I was always looking for an email to set a sked up with SV2 but could never find it.
IF you ever know of them coming on line for VK, I would appreciate to know.

Best Regards

Jeff Gaylard
VK3JEF

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----------End of Mail----------

21215. Re: [DX-IS] RE: SV2ASP/A

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-05-24 15:08:14 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 21214 Message: 21215

On 5/24/2013 11:35 AM, Lance Martin wrote:
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> VK3JEF
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Hi Lance,

I worked him this AM on 17M (12:57 UTC.) He was 419 at best with a lot of QSB, and CQing with few takers, listening up 1. That's going to be a tough path for you guys. What would be great would be if a DXpedition team went there and put it on for a week with multiple beams and amps.

However, that isn't likely to happen. As I recall back in the 90s, DJ6SI got in there and operated under his CEPT license. (Monk Apollo must have been on vacation!) I read weekly rants in "The DX Bulletin" (then edited by VP2ML (SK)) where Monk Apollo declared he'd go QRT permanently if the ARRL didn't disallow DJ6SI's operation. The ARRL never did, Monk Apollo wasn't heard for a year or two. Then he got over it and is back on self-regularly. Apparently he has some pretty good gear, including a SteppIR antenna, but he is the only operator and intends to keep it that way.

I don't think he has any email address, but a snail mail letter explaining the situation might result in him listening for Oceania. The problem I've observed is that Mount Athos is just rare enough to generate pretty big NA and EU pileups. Monk Apollo doesn't have a lot of patience and when the pileup gets unruly, as most do, he goes QRT.

He's not too hard for us on the east coast of NA to work, but the West Coast must find it very difficult. As for VK and ZL, I'd say it would be next to impossible unless he can get NA and EU to be quiet and just work Oceania for awhile. I hate to be the bearer of bad news, but I can't see a scenario where you guys would get a shot. He rarely works SSB, and the CW and RTTY Skimmers announce his presence before he finished his first CQ.

Another problem is pirates . . . once or twice a year someone gets on falsely signing SV2ASP/A and works a number of stations. I got sucked in last year or the year before on 12M RTTY by this. Got a reply to my QSL request saying he wasn't QRV that day.

73, Paul VE1DX

21216. Re: [DX-IS] RE: SV2ASP/A - Supplemental

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-05-24 15:16:03 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 21214 Message: 21216

He's S5-S6 now (15:10 UTC) on 18.080 QSX UP 2-3 with a huge NA/EU pileup.

73, Paul VE1DX

21217. RE: [DX-IS] RE: SV2ASP/A - Supplemental

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-05-24 15:26:34 UTC
From: KQ8M
Topic: 21214 Message: 21217

I hear him good. Guess I should get on and tell him how loud he is and that it has been a few months since we have worked last. Oh
yea, how are you, Monk Apollo? How's your weather? Still have clean underwear?

Nah maybe not.

73,
Tim Herrick, KQ8M
Charter Member North Coast Contesters
kq8m@...

AR-Cluster V6 kq8m.no-ip.org
User Ports: 23, 7373 with local skimmer, 7374 without local skimmer
Server Ports: V6 3607, V4 Active 3605, V4 Passive 3606

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Paul M Dunphy
Sent: Friday, May 24, 2013 11:16 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] RE: SV2ASP/A - Supplemental

He's S5-S6 now (15:10 UTC) on 18.080 QSX UP 2-3 with a huge NA/EU pileup.

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Yahoo! Groups Links

21218. Re: SV2ASP/A

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-05-24 16:32:01 UTC
From: ve7tk
Topic: 21214 Message: 21218

That is an understatement. Yes he was spotted today on 17 metres but I did not hear a peep. Then at 1600 UTC he was gone.

At least this was CLOSE to propagation that might work for the West Coast. That in itself is a refreshing change!

He's still on my list of 7 needed all-time! I keep hoping!

73, Rick
VE7TK

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...> wrote:

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> Hi Lance,
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> West Coast must find it very difficult.
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> 73, Paul VE1DX
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21219. Re: [DX-IS] Re: SV2ASP/A

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-05-24 16:48:46 UTC
From: Axel Schernikau, DL6KVA
Topic: 21214 Message: 21219

If you wont to know why it's so difficult for not so far regions like
Russia and Australia check his location Docheiariou Monastery on google
earth. You'll see that it's south west of the mountain peak so Russia is
completely blocked by the mountain range. Very nice pictures of the
region can be found from lot of people who posted them on google earth.

And yes ... good luck to everybody who's still hunting for this "DXCC" :)

Axel, DL6KVA

Am 24.05.2013 16:32, schrieb ve7tk:
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21220. 425 DX News - #1151

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-05-24 17:09:48 UTC
From: r_brothers
Topic: 21220 Message: 21220

25 May 2013 A.R.I. DX Bulletin
No 1151
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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** DX INFORMATION ****
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Edited by I1JQJ & IK1ADH
Direttore Responsabile I2VGW

8Q - Fred, G4ZWI will be active as 8Q7FC from the Maldives (AS-013) from 26 May to 8 June. He will operate holiday style running 5 watts on CW and possibly PSK on 20 and 15 metres. [TNX The Daily DX]
EA - The Asociacion de Radioaficionados Vega Baja (www.arvb.es) and URE Orihuela will be active as EG5SUB from the S-61 Delfin submarine during the Museum Ships Weekend (1-2 June). They plan to operate SSB, CW and digital modes on the HF bands. [TNX ON5JV/EA5HZB]
EI - Andy, G7SQW will be active as EJ/G7SQW from Arranmore Island (EU-121) on 27-29 May. He will be QRV on 40-6 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX rsgbiota.org]
F - Special station TM100USA will be active on 25-26 May from the Montfaucon American Monument, as a tribute to the American troops who served here one century ago. This will be the first of a series of activations to commemorate the 100th anniversary of World War I in the area of Verdun. QSL via F6KUP (bureau) or F5LPY (direct).
F - Gil, F4FET and Diego, F4HAU have brought forward their TM0BIG operation from La Petite Ile (EU-107) [425DXN 1149] and now plan to be QRV for 24 hours on 3-4 June. On 1-2 June they will operate as F4FET/p and F4HAU/p from several islands (not IOTA) in Northern Brittany: Ile Molene (DIFM MA080), Ile Losquet (MA079), Ile Grande (MA016), Ile du Renard (MA077), Ile Aganton (MA076) and Ile Bolennec (MA078). Complete information on the Diplome des Iles de la France Metropolitaine (Metropolitan France Islands Award) can be found at www.difm.org
F - In June-July 1944 the BBC war correspondents used the tower of the castle at Creully as a radio studio, from where the first reports of the Battle of Normandy were broadcast. Look for special callsign TM5BBC to be aired again from Creully on 5-13 June. QSL via F2UW. [TNX Les Nouvelles DX]
FJ - Father and son team, Jeff FJ/K5WE and Erik FJ/N5WR, will be active from St. Barthelemy (NA-146) on 3-10 June. They will be QRV on 80-6 metres mostly CW, with some RTTY and SSB. QSL via home calls. [TNX K5WE]
GD - The Isle of Man Amateur Radio Society will be active on the HF

bands as GB4JDF on 2 June. The suffix stands for the Joey Dunlop Foundation, a charity set up to cater for injured riders and named after the 26 times IOM Tourist Trophy winner. QSL via 2D0YLX.
I - Members of ARI Sanremo will operate as IQ1SM/p from Lago Campo Golf on 1 June. They plan to operate CW, SSB and RTTY on 40, 20 and 17 metres. QSL via bureau. Information on the Italian Lakes Award can be found at www.dlit.it [TNX I1UWF]
I - The 'Elettra' was a two-masted steam yacht that Guglielmo Marconi used as a floating laboratory for many experiments. Part of her keel stands in the grounds of Villa Griffone, at Pontecchio near Bologna, from where special event station II4BTK will be active during the Museum Ships Weekend (1-2 June). QSL via IQ4FE, direct or bureau. [TNX IZ4MJP]
I - Eighty-five years ago the airship 'Italia' crashed on the ice on its way back from the North Pole, and a small tent dyed red for maximum visibility was the only shelter for the survivors. Commemorating the role of radio (and amateur radio) in rescuing the Red Tent survivors, ARI Arona will operate special callsign II1ITR from 25 May to 25 June. QSL via IQ1LM, direct or bureau. [TNX IZ1ETD]
KL - Jeff, KL2HD will be active as KL7NWR on 20, 17 and 15 metres from Attu Island (NA-064) on 2-5 June (but actual dates depend on ship schedule and weather). This operation commemorates the 70th anniversary of the Battle of Attu during World War II. The island is part of the Alaska Maritime National Wildlife Refuge which celebrates its 100th anniversary of establishment. QSL via KL2HD, direct or bureau, and LoTW. [TNX K6VVA]
LA - Keith, G3TTC will be travelling in his motorhome to visit and operate from quite a number of IOTA groups in Sweden and Norway between early June and late July. His tentative itinerary (subject to change) for the Norwegian part of his trip is as follows:
4-5 July Vardo EU-141
8-9 July Mageroya EU-044
13 July Tromsoya EU-046
15-16 July Hinnoya EU-033
18-20 July Lofoten EU-076
22-23 July Tomma EU-062
27-28 July Tjome EU-061 (IOTA Contest)
Look for him on 14260, 7055 and 7100-7125 kHz. QSL via home call, direct or bureau.
OH - Thomas, SM3DMP and Jan, SM3CER will be active holiday style as OH/SM3DMP and OH/SF3A Bjorkon Island (EU-101) on 16-19 June. They will operate mainly CW on 30, 20 and 17 metres. QSL OH/SM3DMP via home call, QSL OH/SF3A via SM3CER. [TNX rsgbiota.org]
OX - Henning, OZ1BII has had to cancel his 23-27 May XP2I operation [425DXN 1147] "due to illness". It will be rescheduled later in the year. [TNX NG3K]
OX - Bo, OX3LX (http://geronne.dk/index.php/ox3lx/ox3lx-dxped) expects to be active from Tasillaq Island (NA-151) between 29 May and 5 June and again between 20 July and 1 August. He plans to be QRV on

4/6 metres (WWL HP15eo) and the HF bands. [TNX DX World]
OZ - Tom, DL4VM, will be active as OZ/DL4VM from Vendsyssel-Thy (EU-171) on 1-15 June. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX rsgbiota.org]
PJ4 - Steve, 9M6DXX plans to operate as PJ4V from Bonaire (SA-006) from 4 or 5 June until the 16th. Activity will be holiday style on SSB only using 100 watts to a Spiderbeam. QSL via M0URX, direct or bureau (preferably using the OQRS at www.m0urx.com/oqrs). Logs will be uploaded to LoTW within a few days of the end of the operation at the latest. [TNX 9M6DXX]
SM - SB6A, SM6IQD, SM6MIS, SM6U, SM6XMY and SM6YOF will be active as 7S6W from Vinga Island (EU-043) on 6-9 June. They will have three stations active on 80-10 metres SSB with some CW and RTTY. Logsearch at http://sm6.se/7s6w/. QSL via bureau to SM6MIS, plus LoTW and eQSL. [TNX rsgbiota.org]
SM - Keith, G3TTC will be travelling in his motorhome to visit and operate from quite a number of IOTA groups in Sweden and Norway between early June and late July. His tentative itinerary (subject to change) for the Swedish part of his trip is as follows:
6-7 June Ven EU-137
8-9 June Hasslo EU-138
12-14 June Kattilo EU-177
16-17 June Fogdo EU-084
22-23 June Limon EU-176
24-26 June Alnon EU-087
27-28 June Holmon EU-135
30 June-1 July Seskaro EU-139
Look for him on 14260, 7055 and 7100-7125 kHz. QSL via home call, direct or bureau.
VE - David, VE3VID is back to Igloolik Island (NA-174) until around mid-June. He is active as VY0/VE3VID in his spare time, on 20 metres RTTY with some SSB. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX DX World]
VE - Special callsign CK3C will be aired between 1 June and 1 July to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Canadian Arctic Expedition of 1913-1916. QSL via VE3RHE, direct or bureau, and LoTW. [TNX VA3RJ]
VP9 - Yuri, VE3DZ will be active as VP9FOC from Bermuda (NA-005) until 30 May, including participation in the CQ WW WPX CW Contest. The special callsign celebrates the 75th anniversary of the First Class CW Operators' Club. QSL via VE3DZ. [TNX NG3K]
W - The South Jersey DX Association, Old Barney ARC and Tuckerton Wireless ARC will be operating W2WSC/WSC from the last active operating site of coastal marine station WSC (aka The Tuckerton Wireless) in West Creek, NJ on 1 June. Bands planned will be 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 metres CW and SSB. QSL VIA W2WSC. [TNX N2OO]
W - The Brazos Valley Amateur Radio Club (KK5W) will be active from the radio rooms of USS Cavalla (submarine) and USS Stewart (destroyer escort) during the Museum Ships Weekend (1-2 June). The ships are located at Seawolf Park on Pelican Island (NA-143). QSL

direct to KK5W. [TNX VA3RJ]
W - AD5WB, K0JCC, K0KS, K5WRN, KJ5WRN, KT5MR, N5TCB and W5AOO will participate in the Museum Ships Weekend (1-2 June) as N5E from the tall ship 'Elissa' at the Texas Seaport Museum on Galveston Island (NA-143). They will operate SSB, CW and/or digital modes on 40-40 metres, from 14 to 22 UTC approximately. QSL via AD5WB, direct or bureau. [TNX rsgbiota.org]
ZS - Gert, ZS6AYU will be active holiday style as C91GR from Bilene, Mozambique from 28 May to 1 June. He will operate CW only. QSL via ZS6AYU, direct or bureau. [TNX NG3K]

CQ WW WPX SSB CONTEST ---> The following stations have announced their participation in this year's event (25-26 May):

Call	Category	Country	QSL
3V8BB	SO	Tunisia	LX1NO
4K6FO	SO	Azerbaijan	4K6FO
4L8A	SOSB 20m	Georgia	LoTW
9A33P	M/?	Croatia	9A2NA
AO2URD		Spain	EA2URD
CR2X	M/S	Azores	OH2BH
CR3L	M/?	Madeira	DJ6QT
E7DX	M/?	Bosnia-Hercegovina	E77E
EA6/OK2BFN/p	SO LP	Balearic Isls	OK2BFN
ED1R	M/2	Spain	LotW
EE8X	SOAB	Canary Isls	W2GR
GM9W	SOAB HP	Scotland	M0DXR
HF55O		Poland	SP6PAZ
HI3TT	SOAB HP	Dominican Rep.	ON4IQ
IF9/IT9PPG	SO	Italy	IT9PPG
IO0T	M/S	Italy	IK1RQT
J47X	SOAB	Greece	SV7BVM
KP2M	M/S	Virgin Isls	AI4U
KP2MM	SOAB	Virgin Isls	LoTW
LO5D	SOSB 10m	Argentina	LotW
LP5D	SOSB 80m	Argentina	AC7DX
LS1D	SOSB 20m	Argentina	AC7DX
LX7I	M/2	Luxembourg	LX2A
LY605W	SO LP	Lithuania	LY5W
LY7A	M/M	Lithuania	LotW
MJ5Z	SOAB LP	Jersey	M0CFW
OG0Z	SOAB HP	Aland Isls	W0MM
P3N	M/S	Cyprus	RW3RN
P40A	SOAB	Aruba	WD9DZV
PJ4A	SOSB 40m	Bonaire	K4BAI
PJ4G	SOSB 10 or 20m	Bonaire	WA2NHA
PJ4R	SOSB 15m	Bonaire	N4RR
PJ6A	M/?	Saba	LotW
PQ5FB	SOAB HP	Brazil	PY5FB
RG3K	M/S	EU Russia	UA3QDX

RT27WW SOAB HP EU Russia RT4RO
RW0A M/2 AS Russia LotW
SW8LZ M/? Greece LZ1QN
SW8WW SOAB Greece HA0HW
TP2CE M/2 France F5LGF
VC7M M/? Canada VE7UF
VP9FOC SOAB Bermuda VE3DZ
XL3T Canada VA3RVK
YJ0PO SO Vanuatu K2PO
YN2GY SOAB LP Nicaragua K9GY
YS1/NP3J SOSB El Salvador EA5GL
ZL3IO SOAB New Zealand ZL3IO
ZM4T M/S New Zealand ZL2AL
ZP9MCE SOSB 10m LP Paraguay EA5ZD
ZV2K SOAB HP Brazil ZV2K
Do not forget to give a look at the Announced Operations listing maintained by Bill, at http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/wpxc2013.html - good contest to you all!

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** GOOD TO KNOW ... ****
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DODENTOCHT FOR CHARITY ---> On 9 August Chris, DL1MGB will participate in the 44th Dodentocht (a long-distance march of 100 kilometers organized annually in Bornem, Belgium) for charity. Details can be found at www.100-km.org [TNX DL1MGB]

DXCC NEWS ---> E51WL (North Cook Islands) has been approved for DXCC credit. The operator's former callsign (ZK1WL) was approved for DXCC previously. If you had E51WL rejected in a recent submission, send an e-mail to bmoore[@]arrl.org for an update to your record. [TNX NC1L]

IOTA NEWS ---> The following operations in the period March to May 2013 have provided acceptable validation and are therefore approved for IOTA credit: TS8TI (AF-083), SU8N (AF-109), XF2E (NA-171), V31HU (NA-180), V31MV (NA-180), V32EE (NA-180), A35UD (OC-049), YB6N (OC-161), DX8DX (OC-174 & OC-225). AF-109 is now confirmed as a valid IOTA group. [TNX G3KMA]

LOTW SOFTWARE ---> It was announced last week that TQSL 1.14 would be available on 20 May. However, three defects were reported - they have been corrected, but "we must test the corrected version before publicly releasing it" at the end of the month. [TNX AA6YQ]

NORTH SLOPE IOTA TOUR ---> Last year Rick, K6VVA planned to operate from IOTA groups NA-172, NA-050 and NA-004, but the expedition was rescheduled "for hopefully better propagation". Now he says that "the prognosis for this Summer from observations of solar trends and my perspective appears that things will likely be similar to last Summer (2012), when he decided

to postpone the operation to July 2013". Mike, K9AJ is only interested in doing NA-172 with him. So Rick is "breaking up the Tour into three separate chunks which may, or may not be done in one lengthy trip vs. separate ones (NA-172, NA-004 & NA-050). At this point, there is a 50-50 possibility that any of these activations will take place until 2014, and a final decision will not be made until mid June to possibly the first week in July". [TNX K6VVA]

MUSEUM SHIPS WEEKEND ---> Sponsored by the Battleship New Jersey Amateur Radio Station (NJ2BB), this year's Museum Ships Weekend will be held from 00.00 UTC on 1 June until 23.59 UTC on the 2nd. Information on the event, including the relevant certificate and the listing of participating ships, can be found at www.nj2bb.org

QSL YB8P: NEW ROUTE ---> The new QSL route for the 15-19 May IOTA expedition to Pulau Peleng in the Banggai Islands Group (OC-208) is via W2FB, direct or bureau. QSO details and donations "For Banggai OC 208" are accepted via PayPal (sbusono[@]gmaildotcom) or cash and will be transferred to the team. [TNX W2FB]

THE MOST TRAVELLED WATCH IN THE WORLD ---> "The watch would visit as many different countries [DXCC Entities, Ed.] as possible, being photographed, and the record of journey will remain in public domain. If you intend to visit one or more DXCCs in the near or distant future and don't mind taking with you our watch, then we would be not only grateful, but happy to make a donation toward your DXCC project". For further information please visit http://clockmaker.com.au/the-most-travelled-watch-in-the-world.html or email Nick, VK2DX (nick[@]clockmaker.com.au)

THE P5 PROJECT ---> Paul, N6PSE and David, AH6HY have received visas to visit the Democratic People's Republic of Korea (North Korea) in June. Plans are to "present and discuss our proposal for a major Dxpedition, involving two teams of twelve members each to operate consecutively over a thirty day operation", and to "visit and evaluate possible venues for the DXpedition". Complete announcement on www.intrepid-dx.com/p5/news.php

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QSLs received direct or through managers: 3B9/OH1LEG, 3D2NB, 3D2RX, 3W3B, 4J5A, 4U1ITU, 5A1A, 5C5W, 5Z4EE, 6W/HA0NAR, 6W2SC, 7Z7AB, 9H3KK, 9K2KCBB, 9K2RA, 9M4DXX, 9X0ZM, A41MX, A45XR, CS2F, DX8DX (OC-174 and OC-225), EA9/DL2RNS, EA9/DL2RVL, EP3SMH, GB100TMD, H40T, H44G, H44KW, HB0/SP7VC, J35X, J5NAR, J5UAP, J88DR, JG8NQJ/JD1, JX9JKA, KL7AIR, KP2/JS6RRR, L22D (SA-022), P29FR, P29NI (OC-099), P29VCX (OC-103), P29VPB(OC-069), PJ2/DL5AXX, PT0S (SA-014), RI0K/p (AS-092), RW0BG/9 (AS-109), TF3DC, TF3IMD, TF3Y, TO7BC, TR0A/p (AF-089), TZ6BB, V63XG, V85AVE, VP8LIZ, VP8LP, WH7P/KP2, XR0YG, XT2TT, XU7AAJ, XV2DLH, XW0ZJZ, XW4XR, XX9THX, YB8BRI/p (OC-236), YB8HZ/p (OC-236), YB8XM/p (OC-271), YI9AJ, Z81D, Z81Z, ZD8RH, ZP6CW.

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21221. 425 DX Calendar - #1151

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Topic: 21221 Message: 21221

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21222. Re: SV2ASP/A

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-05-24 17:18:37 UTC
From: Bob
Topic: 21214 Message: 21222

Lance/Jeff

I have worked Monk Apollo on 2Bands & 4Modes from MA and 20M-RTTY off a LP dipole in Maine. Not too difficult for the NE USA. He is a very good op and prefers acting a LP DX so you have to wait for propagation to pick him up. If he is strong then forget it, EU buries everyone.

Not a brag....I have never heard S2 from your side of the world so it works both ways.

Forget thinking email, clusters, social media, etc. No Way!

I have communicated several times via snail mail with Monk Apollo and have received a lovely card and hand written note each time.

I suggest you put together a group and try the mail again. The other option is to wait until someone visits him (as with the antenna installation) and then communicate through them. As you know it would be almost impossible to arrange a SKED via snail mail since schedules and propagation months away are unknown.

Good luck
Bob

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, Lance Martin <L.Martin@...> wrote:
>
> Hi Jeff, ditto ol' chap.
>
> Monk apollo is an enigma for us VK6s.
> Many of us still need SV/A for an all time new one (all modes/bands) including me.
>
> Since 2006, I have heard him once 44 LP 20m SSB but couldn't break the EU pile.
>
> I put a spot on the cluster every time he is spotted hoping that he will see it or someone will convey a message to him. I reckon I have been on air 10 times when he has been QRV in the last 7 years and zip. Some guys from the US visited Monk Apollo last year to put an antenna up on the hill, I haven't heard the outcome.
>
> The Dear Monk's Monastery is on the east side of a hill, so I guess we will only hear him LP.
>
> I did once write to Monk Apollo but nothing has been forthcoming.
>
> Keep at 'em.
>
> 73, Lance -VK6DU
>
> On May 24, 2013, at 9:18 PM, "Jeff Gaylard" <jeffg@...<mailto:jeffg@...>> wrote:
> Hi there

>
> Seen your spot . I was always looking for an email to set a sked up with SV2 but could never find it.
> IF you ever know of them coming on line for VK, I would appreciate to know.
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>
> Best Regards
>
> Jeff Gaylard
> VK3JEF
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> RF Parts Australia Pty Ltd
> Factory 6
> 277 Middleborough Road
> Box Hill South, Victoria,
> Australia, 3128
>
> TOLL FREE 1800 RFPARTS
> PH 61 3 9897 1886
> FX 61 3 9897 1884
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> E-mail jeffg@...<mailto:jeffg@...>
> Web www.rfparts.com.au<http://www.rfparts.com.au/>
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> ----------End of Mail----------
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21223. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1113

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-05-24 15:46:09 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 21223 Message: 21223

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** EDITOR'S SPECIAL NOTICE: This week's bulletin was sent out earlier than normal to accommodate the late CQWW WPX CW Contest announcements. Also, we wanted to provide the readers with a consolidated listing of the CQWW WPX CW Contest participants.

** SPECIAL NOTE FROM EDITOR (Short Dayton HamVention Wrap-Up By KB8NW):
I has been an interesting couple of weeks due to my health issues, but things seem to be better now since my heart procedure, and I was able to attend Dayton. It is always great to see the many DXers from all over the world. It is the special camaraderie I enjoy, visiting and talking to the DXers/Contesters of the world. The NODXA Hospitality Suite is a great place to share this camaraderie with well-known DXers. Anyway, I did miss the DX Dinner Banquet because of my duties of helping to run the NODXA suite with our hostess Janeen Hire (W8ZET). We did hear, however, that the NH8S Swains Island operation received the "SWODXA (SouthWest Ohio DX Association) DXpedition of the Year for 2012-2013".
The weather was almost perfect for the flea market, but it did not fair too well for my bad knee (with all the walking). This year's DX Forum included talks on:
* DX legend Al Hix, W8AH (SK) - speaker Hal Turley, W8HC
* Interesting talk on propagation, Cycle 24 and a possible second peak - by Carl Luetzelschwab, K9LA

* DXpedition to St. Peter & St. Paul Rocks - by George Wallner, AA7JV
* DXpedition to Yemen (Socotra Island) - by Dave Collingham, K3LP
The 2013 Dayton HamVention in all was a great time and experience.

DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Saturday, 18th-May, through Saturday, 25th-May there were 217 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3DA, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5B, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5U, 5V, 5W, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7X, 8P, 8Q, 8R, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9Q, 9U, 9V, 9Y, A2, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, BV, BY, C3, C6, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, F, FG, FH, FK, FM, FO, FR, FS, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HC8, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J6, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JY, K, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ5, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S5, S7, SM, SP, SU, SV, SV/a, SV5, SV9, T5, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TR, TT, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VP2E, VP5, VP6, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YJ, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, Z8, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD8, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS, ZS8

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

4K, AZERBAIJAN. Alim, 4K6FO, Alim, will be active during the CQWW WPX CW Contest as a Single-Op entry. QSL via his home callsign.

4L, GEORGIA. Operator Vaho, 4L8A, will be active in the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 25-26th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (20m) entry. QSL via K1BV or LoTW.

A7, QATAR. Mark, G0MGX, is currently working and spending some of his time in the state of Qatar. After a long wait, he now has the appropriate permissions to operate as A71/G0MGX in accordance with the reciprocal licensing agreement between the Qatar and UK governments. Mark states, "I will be operating casually during evenings and some weekends (Fri and Sat in the Middle East) primarily in RTTY and JT65 modes. So far I have experienced some very big pileups on RTTY so please be patient - I am not an experienced DXpedition operator! The Qatar Amateur Radio Society have made me very welcome and I am very grateful to them for the support and help they have given me." Mark's setup is a FT-450 and Buddypole. He has provided the ARRL with the necessary documents of licensing for all his callsigns and uploads to LoTW regularly. Visit his Blog page for updates and other details at:
http://g0mgx.blogspot.co.uk/2013/02/a7-land-a71a-ah-qatar.html

C8, MOZAMBIQUE (Attention PFX Hunters!). An international team of operators will be active as C82DX during mid-October. Operators mentioned are Doug/N1DG, Tom/N4XP, Jose/CT1EEB, Franz/DJ9ZB, Massimo/I8NHJ, Mike/N6MZ, Dave/WB4JTT, Charles/W6OAT, Chris/ZS6EZ, Tjerk/ZS6P and Christian/ZS6RI. Activity will be on 160-10 meters. More details are forthcoming, and a Web page is currently under construction at: http://c82dx.com

C9, MOZAMBIQUE. Gerard, ZS6AYU, will be active as C91GR from Bilene between May 28th and June 1st. Activity will be holiday style on CW only using a Cushcraft R7000 vertical and 350-400 watts. Operations will between 1600-0500z. QSL via ZS6AYU, direct or by the Bureau.

CQ3/CT9, MADEIRA ISLANDS. Operators Winfried/DK9IP, Andree/DL8LAS and Holger/DL9EE will be active as CQ3L during the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 25-26th) as a Multi-? entry. QSL via DJ6QT. Look for operators to be active two days before the contest as CT9/homecall. Some activity on RTTY is planned. QSL via Bureau. Visit the CR3L Santana, Madeira Island (AF-014), Web page at: http://www.cq3l.de

DXCC NEWS. Bill Moore, NC1L, ARRL Awards Branch Manager, reports: "Over the years some applicants have had TI9CCC for Cocos Island rejected in their DXCC application mostly due to 'Incorrect Date Period'. The issue with the dates for this operation have been resolved. If you had this operation rejected, and your confirmation falls within the dates noted below, send an E-mail to <bmoore@...> to be placed on the list for an update to your record.
TI9CCC ☐ Cocos Island; February 15 through February 28, 1984"

DXCC NEWS. Bill Moore, NC1L, ARRL Awards Branch Manager, reports that the following operations are approved for DXCC credit:
9G5EME - Ghana; 2013 operation
E51WL ☐ North Cook Island; PLEASE NOTE: The operator is a native there, and his callsign was previously ZK1WL which was approved for DXCC previously, so this is just a change in callsign. If anyone had this contact rejected in a recent submission send an E-mail to <bmoore@...> for an update to your record.

E2, THAILAND. Charly, HS0ZCW, reports that the members of the Radio Amateur Society of Thailand (RAST) will be active as E2E part time during the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 25-26th) as a High/Power entry. QSL via HS0AC.

EA6, BALEARIC ISLANDS. Tom, OK2BFN, will be active as EA6/OK2BFN/P from Mallorca Island (EU-004, DIE E-021, MIA MB-004, WLOTA 1902) during the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 25-26th) as a Single-Op/Low-Power entry. QSL via his home callsign.

EUFF GREEN PARTY 2013 (Field Day Operations). The YOFF team of the SRR (Romanian Society of Radioamateurs) and the ARER (Romanian Association of Environmentalists Radioamateurs) invite all the radio amateurs to join them in the EUFF Green Party 2013. Purpose: To stimulate the ham operators to leave their house and be involved in portable/outdoor operations related to the nature and ecology and to familiarize the world-wide radio amateurs with protected natural areas. Dates: 0600-1759z, June 8th. For complete details, see: http://wff-yo.blogspot.ro/p/blog-page_5.html

FJ, ST. BARTHELEMY. Father and son team, Jeff/K5WE and Erik/N5WR will be active as FJ/homecall from St. Barts (NA-146) beginning June 3rd and ending June 10th. Activity will be on all bands 80-6 meters, mostly CW,

some RTTY and SSB. QSL to their home callsigns.

FS & PJ7, ST. MARTIN AND SINT MAARTEN. Operators YL Kjerstin/AF6KJ and Travis/AF6WU will once again be active as PJ7/homecall from Sint Maarten (NA-105, WLOTA 0711) between July 5-9th. Then both Kjerstin and Travis will move onto St. Martin (NA-105, WLOTA 0383) and be active as FS/homecall between July 10-14th. Activity from both islands will be on multi-bands and multi-modes on HF according to the best available propagation. QSL both callsigns via AF6WU, direct or by the Bureau. Also eQSL, LoTW and Clublog. For direct QSLs, U.S. stations send 1 US stamp, $0.33 does it. DX stations send $1 USD or 1 IRC. Don't send him a standard envelope, the card is large, 4" x 5.25", and it won't fit.

IK, ITALY (Lighthouse Op). Members of the Calabria DX Team will be active from the Punta Stilo Lighthouse (ARLHS ITA-147, CL-010 WAIL) on May 26th. Callsign will be IK8YFU/p and possibly others. For more info, see: http://www.calabriadxteam.it

IOTA NEWS.....
AF-109. Photos and video are now available online for the recent SU8N Nelson's Island and World Lighthouse DXpedition (WLOTA 2694) by the Egyptian Radio Amateurs Society. Visit the ERASD Facebook Page at: https://www.facebook.com/erasdnet/photos_stream
A short video on YouTube can be seen at: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=l600euAOeOw&feature=youtu.be
QSL Manager is SM5AQD (see QRZ.com).

EU-047. Oliver, DK7TX, will be active as DK7TX/p from Wangerooge Island between June 5-10th. Activity will be holiday style 20-10 meters. QSL via hishome callsign.

EU-114. Members of the Martello Tower Group will once again be active as GP0PKT from Herm Island between October 4-9th. Operators mentioned are Keith/G6NHU/KB3WPE, Tony/G0MBA, Richard/G7HJK, Colin/M1EAK, Kevin/M0GWE, Yan/M0YNK and Chris/2E0DBY. The plans are to have three stations on the air: 2x TS-590 and 1x TS-2000. Activity will probably be on 80/40/20/15/10 meters using SSB and RTTY (same as last time). Herm is one of the smallest Channel Islands, and although it's part of the EU-114 IOTA group, it's not activated very often. QSL via G6NHU, direct or by the Bureau. For updates and details, see: http://martellotowergroup.com/gp0pkt

EU-123. William, GM0OBX, will be active as GM0OBX/P from Inchcolm Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th) as a Single-Op/Unassisted/SSB-Mode/QRP/DXpedition entry. QSL via his home callsign.

NA-029. Operator Ken, K6LA, will once again operate from Prince Edward Island in eastern Canada using the VY2TT superstation (Grid Square FN76vs, CISA PE-001) during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Mixed/24H/High-Power entry.

QSL by the Bureau.

NA-064. Jeff, KL2HD, will be active as KL7NWR on Attu Island, Aleutian Islands, Alaska, between June 2-5th. Actual dates depend on ship schedule and weather. This is a relatively rare IOTA that many would like to contact. Look for KL7NWR on 20, 17, and 15 meters as propagation allows. Details on QRZ.com under KL7NWR. Spotting assistance appreciated.

JW, SVALBARD. Svein, LA9JKA (ex-JX9JKA), will be active as JW9JKA from Bear Island (EU-027) between (Approx.) June 16th and December 15th. Activity will be limited to his sparetime, and Svein will be focusing on the bands from 160-4 meters. QSL only direct to his home address (see QRZ.com).

K6VVA/KL7 IOTA TOUR INFO UPDATE. Rick, K6VVA, informed OPDX on May 16th [edited]: "I have received several inquiries as to the status of the K6VVA/KL7 - North Slope IOTA tour, which was QRX'd from 2012 (NA-172 QRX'd again from the NA-242 trip in 2011).
Here is the situation as of today, as I have continued to monitor solar condx and trends. If anyone wonders why, you can read my previous historical comments on the <dx-world.net> website also relating to 70 Degree North Latitude HF operating, the Auroral Oval concerns, and that Mike, K9AJ, and I would have set foot on NA-172 right in the middle of a major solar X-Flare had we gone to NA-172 last Summer. This would NOT have resulted in a successful activation in spite of enormous expenses involved. In less than a month now, on 3 different occasions the K Index has spiked to K=4. The prognosis for this summer from observations of solar trends and my perspective appears that things will likely be similar to last summer (2012). And, that escalated CME and X-Flare activity is more common near and at the peak of any sunspot cycle (if you can call this a peak). Mike, K9AJ, has decided he is only interested in doing NA-172 with me, and NA-050 is pretty much a one-person activation anyway. So I am breaking up the 'Tour' into 3 separate chunks which may, or may not be done in one lengthy trip vs. separate ones (NA-172, NA-004 & NA-050). NA-004 is NOT the 'Drive-On' QTH many have worked in the past. It is a boat journey & Bear Guards venue like NA-172.
At this point, there is a 50-50 possibility that any of these activations will take place until 2014, and a final decision will not be made until mid June to possibly the first week in July. I am not going to make any official date changes at this point. Mainland lodging reservations will remain in place for NA-172 unless it may be determined to QSY that activation plan again to Summer 2014. My personal NA-004 and NA-050 plans will remain fluid, and hope to at least make one or more quick attempts at least to NA-050 this year if solar condx coooperate (or in-between any CME's or X-Flares), because this one requires the least advance logistics beyond several airline leg seats and local lodging. I also have some other business to attend to in NA-050 when I finally get up there.
I have various other IOTA Projects on the back burner, one or more of which may occur without much advance notification, if any. As I am ready to push the send button on this Info Update, the solar K Index has spiked back up to K=5. No Bueno..... FYI & 73... Rick, K 6 V V A * The Locus"

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (May 27th-June 2nd)....
May/27th AN May/30th AN Jun/01st AN
May/28th HN May/31st AN Jun/02nd AN
May/29th HN

SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS/INDEXES AND GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE
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NORMALITY	GEOMAG	K Values	Alpha
AN - Above Normal	Quiet	K=0-1	0-7
HN - High Normal	Unsettled	K=2	8-15
LN - Low Normal	Active	K=3	16-29
BN - Below Normal	Minor Storm	K=4	30-49
DIS - Disturbed	Major Storm	K=5	50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed	Severe Storm	K=6-9	100-400

KP4, PUERTO RICO (USI Op). Members of the Puerto Rico Amateur Radio League (PRARL) will be active as KP4ES from Cayo Algodones (US Island PR015) on/around July 27th. QSL KP4ES via NP3O. Visit their FaceBook and Web site for updates at: https://www.facebook.com/PRARLPR http://prarl.org

LX, LUXEMBOURG. A team operators (not provided) will be active as LX7I during the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 25-26th) as a Multi-2 entry. QSL via LX2A. Visit the following Web page at: http://www.lx2a.com

P3, CYPRUS. Operators Alex/5B8AD, Jack/R2AA, Valery/R2DA, Dimitri/RA3CO, Alexey/RN3TT, Dmitry/RT5K, Tony/RT9T and Max/RV3BA will be active as P3N during the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 25-26th) as a Multi-Op/Single-Transmitter entry. QSL via RW3RN.

P5, NORTH KOREA (P5 Project). Members of the Intrepid-DX Group (Paul/N6PSE and David/AH6HY) have received visas to visit the Democratic People's Republic of Korea sometime in June. Read the complete press release at: http://www.intrepid-dx.com/p5/news.php

PJ4, BONAIRE. Steve, 9M6DXX, plans to operate as PJ4V from Bonaire (SA-006) starting June 4th or 5th until June 16th. Activity will be "holiday-style" on SSB only using 100 watts to a Spiderbeam. QSL via M0URX, direct or by the Bureau, preferably using OQRS (see www.m0urx.com/oqrs). Logs will be uploaded to LoTW within a few days of the end of the operation at the latest.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (For May 19th and May 24th)

3B8CW via NI5DX F/DF3FS via DF3FS PJ2/WI9WI via WI9WI
5B/RT5K via RT5K F/G3TOE via G3TOE PJ4/NA2AA via NA2AA
5K0W via HK3W FO8WBB via N6JA R95PW via RW4PUG
8J1ITU via JA8CCL GB0HSM via G4LKW R155C via RZ0CWA
9A/DL1NEO/P via DL1NEO GB5PT via M0XIG R230CF/MM via RV6AWW
9A/DL4OCE/P via DL4OCE GB8CC via G0VXC RY9C via UA9CGA
9A13P via 9A1CBK (B) GB70BOA via M0BZZ SE5P via SA5BUM

9H3E via PA1FW GB70WA via G3UFO SF4J via SM4CJY
A60ITU via IZ8CLM GM/DH5JBR via DH5JBR SG0U via SM3CXS
AO6FOC via EA6BF (L) GM3WOJ via N3SL SM4R via SM4RGD
C4Z via G3SWH GS5NB via GS5NB SM6E via SM6FUD
CE3/UA4WHX via UA4WHX GW100RSGB via M0VFC SN100PSP via SP5YOW
CO8LY via EA7ADH (d) HB0/OE9HBV/P via OE9HBV SV9/IK4ALM via IK4ALM
CP6LA via HA3JB (d) HB0/PC5A via PC5A SX5KL via SV2FWV
CR5AT via CS5CRE (d/e) HF2ZPM via SP7PRA SZ4SRM via SV4FFL (d)
CR5CQK via CT1CQK HG8C via HA8EK SZ8S via M0SCG (B)
CT7/DL4IAL via DL4IAL HR5/F2JD via F6AJA TC19MAY via YM4XA (d)
CU2KG via OH2BH IH9YMC via IH9YMC (e) TC19MAY via YM4XA (d)
DD0D via DK5AN IK1/DH2SAQ via DH2SAQ TC19MYS via YM6KA (d)
DL0DSA via DH0BRO IQ9SY via IT9DAA TC1919ATA via TA6P
EA1/DH1TW via DH1TW IZ2ZEX via DF5DN TM5FI via F5XX
EA3/DF1ZA via DF1ZA K5N via W5TFW TM5JST via F4BTD
EA7/G1WUU via G1WUU (e) KL7/SP7EWX via SP5EWX TM75FOC via F6HKA
EA8/UA5C via UA5C (d) LT5D via LU2DT UA4WHX/CX via UA4WHX
ED5T via EA5ELT LU/AI6V via AI6V UN3M via EA7FTR
ED8RCP via EA8RCP LY605W via LY5W UN7QF via EX2A
EE6R via EA6TS (L) LZ1876SMB via LZ1KCP UN9LBB via W3HNK
EG1FPF via EB1FPF LZ2013KM via LZ1BJ VP5/W8RHM via W8RHM (d/L)
EG3FTV via EA3BDE OE/S57MS/P via S57MS VU3RWP via OE1ZKC
EH2WFF via EA2CTQ OE/S57NAD via S57NAD W2WSC/100 via W2WSC
EH6ITU via EA6QY OE3KIDS via OE3CFC W7P via W7BBQ (d/L 2013)
EH8DDC via EA8RKL OH0/SK3SN via SM3KIF YB8P via W2FB
EH8ITU via EA8ED OK7GU via OK1FM YE30P via YB9WR
EM40CU via UR5CJN OL2013DIG via OK1AR YL44WFF via YL2SW
EM70LL via UX4LL ON44BLH via ON3EA YP7ARDF via YO7KFX
EM100U via UT7UK OP7V via ON7VA YP100S via YO7HKR
ER0ITU via ER1DA OS0C via ON7KC YR625RMV via YO7HKM
EX20ARUK via EX2T PA/II7FOC via I7ALE ZP9SC via EA5KB
(e) eQSL only (d) direct only (B) Bureau only (L) LoTW only

3D2XX QSL INFO. Kip, W6SZN, reports: "I have the logs and blank cards for our 1988 3D2XX operation from Rotuma. Cards sent to Eddie, VK4AN, will eventually get to me."

NEW LoTW Software Available: Last week the ARRL Letter and Web page reports: "After much testing, the ARRL will release a new version of Trusted QSL, the open-source development project responsible for developing and maintaining the three Logbook of the World (LoTW) client-side applications: TQSL, TQSLCert and the TrustedQSL library. After six weeks of public beta testing, version 1.14 is ready for official release and will be available for download from the ARRL website beginning Monday, May 20th." For details on improvements, see: http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-announces-new-version-of-LoTW-software However, on May 21st, the League reported that they found three defects in the software:
☐Incorrect behavior when the user specifies the wrong ITU zone
☐Incorrect behavior when TQSL is invoked via command line without

the ☐I switch present
☐Incorrect behavior when processing an ADIF file containing duplicate QSOs when TQSL is running on MacOS
These defects have been corrected, but they must test the corrected version before publicly releasing it. Expect the public release within the next 10 days (by the end of the month). For more details and the download for the fixed version, go to:
http://www.arrl.org/logbook-of-the-world

QSL CORRECTION. The QSL Manager for the EJ7NET DXpedtion to the Aran Islands (EU-006) has been changed to HB9ASZ (not EI6FR), direct and/or by the Bureau. LoTW will be uploaded once HB9ASZ receives the log.

VK9NT OQRS is available/active now at: http://vk9nt.odxg.org

Z81X OQRS is available/active now at: http://www.qrz.com/db/Z81X

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 4O3A, 5B75FOC, 9A4PA, 8Q7EJ, 9A3W, 9A4KW, 9M2PJU, 9M2TO, 9M6YBG, BV1EL, CE2AWW, CO2HQ, CO2WF, CP4BT, CU3EQ, D3AA, D9K, DJ9RR, DS2XUM, E21EIC, EJ7NET, ER6A, EV50WB, FG4NO, FM5CD, GJ100C, GS3PYE/P, HB9BLQ, HC1MD, HC2/AL1O, HK1T, HK3JJH, IO5O, IV3BTY, J49C, J75PL, JA0EQL, JA1XMS, LA6XAA, LT6E, LZ833MBB, M0RSE, NH7O, OK1URO, OT4A, PA3PCV, PS2T, PY2GH, PY2WC, RK6CI, RY3D, RZ3FW, SU9AF, TM1W, TO2D, TS8TI, TZ6BB, UN5J, UN7AM, V44KAI, VK9IR, VK9NT, VP2EAQ, VP2MRV, YB4IR, YI1RZ, YY4DNN, YY4HAH, ZL3KQ, ZP9EH and ZW7MGY

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3B8/HB9ARY, 3D2NB, 3D2RX, 4J5A, 5C5W, 5Z4EE, 6W2SC, 9X0ZM, CS2F, H40T, H44G, J5NAR, J5UAP, JG8NQJ/JD1, JX9JKH, KP2/JS6RRR, PJ2/DL5AXX, PT0S, TO7BC, TT8TT, V63XG, VY0/VE3VID, WH7P/KP2, XT2TT and XV2DLH

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 8J1ING, 8J1RL, AH0BT, B3C, C31CT, FM5LD, HF2112UFC, HS0ZJU, IS0HFE, LX1NO, LZ916SS, LZ1500PNB, LZ1737SSS, SN2012JZU, SN2012WA, SV9COL, TJ3AY, TK5AE and TO4M

SPECIAL REQUEST FROM DL1MGB: "Hello DXers all over the world! This time I am not announcing a new DXpedition (don't worry, the planning for the next one has already started). This time I want to call your attention to a campaign a colleague of mine (Tobias Höher) and me initiated.
We are going to participate in the Dodentocht <http://www.dodentocht.be/> which takes place on August 9th, 2013, around the city of Bornem in Belgium. The Dodentocht is a 100 km hike which has to be finished by foot in minimum 10 and maximum 24 hours.
100 km or 24 hours can get very long, and we will have definitely our lows. So we decided to find as many supporters as possible, who are willing to donate a pre-determined amount of money for every commenced kilometer. These donations will go 100% to the Kinderkrebshilfe Berchtesgadener Land und Traunstein e.V. (Childern's Cancer Aid), an incorporated society with a lot of voluntary helpers. They are giving advise, help and financial support not only to children having cancer but also to children and teenagers whose parents suffer from cancer or already died as a result of cancer.

What has it to do with DXing? -- At first glance nothing. I will not carry any radio with me giving out ON / Belgium to the deserving. At second glance maybe. Going on a DXpedition is not only taking a plane or boat, going to a remote place, sit there and work pile-ups. The work to around it (carrying equipment, building antennas and stations and even sitting in front of the radio with 45 °C inside the tent) can be physically demanding. So if you don't want to fail, you have to be fit. And my way to stay fit is: Walking.
What can you do? -- You may come to Belgium. We still need some cheer-leaders for the second 50 km :-) But mainly you should support our campaign with your donations. The most interesting way is to make your donation dependent on how far we will go at the Dodentocht.
Just go to http://www.100-km.org/ and learn more about our campaign and register to commit your willingsness to donate.
Thank you very much for your support! .... 73 Chris DL1MGB"

V5, NAMIBIA. Operator Hans/DF2UU and Hardy/DF3GY will be active as V55V from Omaruru, the QTH of Martin, V51W, during the SSB Field Day (September 7-8th) and the Worked All Europe DX SSB Contest (September 14-15th). QSL via DJ8VC, by the Bureau or direct. Activity outside of the contest will be on 160-6 meters using CW and SSB.

V7, MARSHALL ISLANDS. Mike, KJ6MZ (ex-V73/KJ6BBP), will be active as V73MZ from Kwajalein Island (OC-028) starting June for a few months. Look for updates and more details on his QRZ.com page soon. QSL via: Mike Szelazek, P.O. Box 22409, San Diego, CA 92192, USA.

VK0H, HEARD ISLAND (Update). If you missed the special OPDX Bulletin last week, it was announced that the DXpedition to Heard Island has been rescheduled for January, 2015. The primary reason for this decision was the cost of using the preferred vessel, the Marion Dufresne, to put the team on Heard Island for the required time. In spite of extensive negotiations and rescheduling of the cruise, it became clear that the cost of using this vessel will exceed $1 million, and, therefore, the total cost for the project would be about $1.5 million, as they noted earlier. In spite of their plan to increase the team size to 50 (which the M-D can accommodate) to partially cover this cost, they reluctantly concluded that sponsorship at this level would be impossible. They have therefore decided to delay the DXpedition to January 2015, to allow more time to restructure the project, locate a more suitable vessel, and bring the cost more in line with projected available resources.

VP9, BERMUDA. By the time you read this, Yuri, VE3DZ, will be active as VP9FOC until May 30th, to celebrate FOC's 75th anniversary. Activity will include the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 25-26th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via VE3DZ.

VP9, BERMUDA (Early Announcement). Michael, G7VJR, the author of ClubLog, will be active as VP9/G7VJR from Bermuda (NA-005) between February 19-27th, 2014. QSL via M0OXO.

W2, UNITED STATES (Special Event). The South Jersey DX Association, Old Barney ARC and Tuckerton Wireless ARC will be operating W2WSC/WSC from the last active operating site of coastal marine station WSC (aka The Tuckerton Wireless) in West Creek, NJ, on Saturday, June 1st from 1300 to 2000 or later. Bands planned will be 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 CW and SSB. QSL VIA W2WSC.

XP, GREENLAND (Update/Cancelled). Henning, OU2I/OZ1BII, who was expected to be active as XP2I from Kanger-lussuaq this week and during the contest, had to cancel do to an illness. He'll try again later this year.

YS, EL SALVADOR. Hiro, JA6WFM, will be active as YS1/NP3J during the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 25-26th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (possibly 10m)/Low-Power entry. QSL via EA5GL or LoTW. Hiro will be here until January 2014.

ZD8, ASCENSION ISLAND. Oliver, W6NV, will once again be active as ZD8W from Ascension Island (AF-003) between November 19-21st. Activity will include the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th) with two other operators to make it an international team. Look for activity outside of the contest on the HF bands and 6 meters. QSL via W6NV.

ZP, PARAGUAY. Manu, ZP9MCE, will be active from Hohenau-Itapúa during the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 25-26th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (10m)/Low-Power entry. QSL only via EA5ZD.

ZS, SOUTH AFRICA (60m News). The "60m News" reports that the Independent Communications Authority of South Africa (ICASA), South African's national telecommunications regulator, has approved two 5 MHz frequencies for the South African Radio League (SARL) to carry out propagation research. The frequencies allocated are 5250 and 5260 kHz. These are 'center frequencies', the 'USB Dial' frequencies being 1.5 kHz below this (i.e. 5248.5 and 5258.5 kHz). All modes are permitted (USB/CW preferred) with 3 kHz maximum bandwidth. Maximum Power is 100W (400W PEP) measured at the output of the radio. No antenna restrictions. The 5250 kHz channel is intended for propagation experiments (e.g. SARL News Bulletin transmissions) and 5260 kHz for general contacts (this channel being common to a number of countries). The licence is a pilot licence which has been purchased, so the channels are private and licensed to the SARL who allow their members to use the frequencies. Participating stations, who need to be SARL members, must register. For further information and a list of registrants, visit: http://www.amateurradio.org.za/propresearch.htm

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The following stations are expected to be active in the
CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 25-26th, 2013)

Thanks to Bill, NG3K, for providing OPDX readers with the following consolidated listing of the participants in the 2013 CQWW WPX CW Contest. For a more detailed listing (and up-to-date changes/corrections) in HTML format, please visit Bill's Web page at:
http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/wpxc2013.html (By callsign)
http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/wpxcd2013.html (By entity)

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Contest DXCC Class QSL
Callsign Entity Route
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3V8BB Tunisia SO LoTW; QSL via LX1NO
4K6FO Azerbaijan SO 4K6FO
4L8A Georgia SOSB 20M LoTW
9A33P Croatia M/? 9A2NA
AO2URD Spain M/S EA2URD
CR2X Azores M/S OH2BH
CR3L Madeira M/? DJ6QT
E7DX Bosnia & Herzogovina M/? E77E
EA6/OK2BFN/p Balearic Islands SO LP OK2BFN
ED1R Spain M/2 LoTW
EE8X Canary Islands SOAB W2GR
GM9W Scotland SOAB HP M0DXR
HF55O Poland SO SP6DVP
HI3TT Dominical Republic SOAB HP ON4IQ
IF9/IT9PPG Italy SO IT9PPG
IO0T Italy M/S IK1RQT
J47X Greece SOAB SV7BVM
KP2M US Virgin Islands M/S AI4U (d)
KP2MM US Virgin Islands SOAB LoTW
LO5D Argentina SOSB 10M LoTW
LP5D Argentina SOSB 80M AC7DX
LS1D Argentina SOSB 20M AC7DX
LX7I Luxembourg M/2 LX2A
LY605W Lithuania SO LP LY5W
LY7A Lithuania M/M LoTW
MJ5Z Jersey SOAB LP LoTW; QSL via M0CFW
OG0Z Aland Island SOAB HP W0MM
P3N Cyprus M/S RW3RN
P40A Aruba SOAB WD9DZV
PJ4A Bonaire SOSB 40M LoTW
PJ4G Bonaire SOSB WA2NHA
PJ4R Bonaire SOSB 15M N4RR
PJ6A Saba & St Eustatius M/? LoTW; QSL via N4NX
PQ5FB Brazil SOAB HP LoTW; QSL via PY5FB
RG3K Russia (Europe) M/S UA3QDX
RT27WW Russia (Europe) SOAB HP RT4RO
RW0A Russia (Asia) M/2 LoTW
SW8LZ Greece M/? LZ1QN
SW8WW Greece SOAB HP HA0HW
TP2CE France M/2 F5LGF
VP9FOC Bermuda SOAB VE3DZ
XL3T Canada VA3RVK
XP2I Greenland SO LP LoTW
YJ0PO Vanuatu SOAB LoTW; QSL via K2PO
YN2GY Nicaragua K9GY
YS1/NP3J El Salvador SOSB LoTW; QSL via EA5GL
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ZL3IO New Zealand SOAB ZL3IO
ZM4T New Zealand M/S ZL2AL; QSL (d) or (OC)
ZP9MCE Paraguay SOSB 10M EA5ZD
ZV2K Brazil SOAB HP ZV2K
(e) eQSL only (d) direct only (B) Bureau only (L) LoTW only
(OC - OQRS/Clublog only)

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21224. ARLP021 Propagation de K7RA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-05-24 19:57:48 UTC
From: jjreisert@...
Topic: 4457 Message: 21224

SB PROP @ ARL $ARLP021
ARLP021 Propagation de K7RA

ZCZC AP21
QST de W1AW
Propagation Forecast Bulletin 21 ARLP021
>From Tad Cook, K7RA
Seattle, WA May 24, 2013
To all radio amateurs

SB PROP ARL ARLP021
ARLP021 Propagation de K7RA

Overall, solar activity is still pretty quiet, but one positive sign was on May 16, when the daily sunspot number was 212. I eyeballed the records, and had to keep searching further and further back to find a higher sunspot number.

One year, six months and one week earlier, on November 9, 2011 the sunspot number was nearly that high, at 208. We look clear back seven years, 10 months and 12 days to July 4, 2005, another near miss at 192. To find activity beating the May 16 number we have to go back nearly a decade, to November 1, 2003 when the daily sunspot number was 277. This was way back on the downward slide of cycle 23, nine years, six months and 15 days earlier than our recent high number. Let's hope for many more days like this. That seems likely, as the peak of this solar cycle is predicted for this fall, which begins about four months from now, on Sunday, September 22.

Compared to the previous period (May 9-15) average daily sunspot numbers this week were down over 12 points to 144. Average daily solar flux sank nearly 6 points to 134.2. Geomagnetic activity was higher, with average daily planetary A index up 3.7 points to 9.7, and average daily mid-latitude A index up 4.4 points to 10.3. It should be noted that five of the eight daily geomagnetic readings which make up the A index were not recorded for May 16 at the mid-latitude observatory, so the mid-latitude A index of 12 for that day is an estimate.

The latest prediction from NOAA/USAF has solar flux at 135 on May 24-25, 130 on May 26-27, 135 on May 28-29, and then 130, 115, 105 and 110 on May 30 through June 2, 120 on June 3-5, and 125 on June 6-8, before rising to a short-term peak of 140 on June 12-13. This prediction is a bit far off, but it also shows a minimum flux value of 100 on June 26-27.

Turning to geomagnetic activity, predicted planetary A index is 15, 20, 12 and 8 on May 24-27, 5 on May 28 through June 10, and then 8, 12 and 8 on June 11-13, 5 on June 14-17, and then 15, 12, 8 and 5 on June 18-21. On June 24, a month and about one solar rotation from now, they show planetary A index rising from 5 to 15, perhaps an echo of current geomagnetic activity.

OK1HH predicts active to disturbed geomagnetic conditions May 24, quiet to active May 25, mostly quiet May 26-27, quiet to active May 28, quiet to unsettled May 29, quiet May 30, quiet to unsettled May 31 through June 1, mostly quiet June 2, quiet to unsettled June 3, quiet June 4-8, mostly quiet June 9-10, quiet to active June 11, active to disturbed June 12-13, quiet to unsettled June 14, and mostly quiet June 15-16.

The CQ World Wide WPX Contest, CW weekend begins tonight/tomorrow at 0000 UTC May 25. The geomagnetic activity predicted for this weekend may add some additional challenge to the test, which has a new set of rules. The multiplier used is the number of unique call sign prefixes of stations worked. See details at http://www.cqwpx.com/rules.htm.

The current geomagnetic activity is due to a May 22 M5 class solar flare, which is expected to deliver a glancing blow to our geomagnetic field today, May 24.

Jon Jones, N0JK reports that during a six meter e-layer opening last Sunday evening observed from coast to coast in North America, a rare Australia to North America opening took place. From 2355 UTC on May 19 until 0032 UTC on May 20 on CW VK4MA worked W9FF, NW0W, K9ZM, WZ8D, W9WZJ and K0GU. It appears the longest distance was to WZ8D, about 9,041 miles. N0JK believes the propagation path was via e-layer linked to trans-equatorial propagation.

Last Friday, May 17 Jim Smith, K3RTU took his backpack rig into Ridley Creek State Park in Southeast Pennsylvania (FM29). He wrote: "After some hiking I set up my Buddistick vertical and new KX3 about 1730. I tried 15 meters first, but had no luck and only heard a few stations, so I readjusted the antenna for 17 meters and after a few minutes worked Duncan, EA5ON/M with SSB and got a 54 report. Not too bad for vertical to vertical, but the QRN on his end was troublesome. Duncan told me it was raining there with lots of atmospheric noise and later contacts with Western Europe confirmed the bad weather was pretty wide spread. Then over the next two hours worked Dave VP5/W5CW (my report 59), Mario DJ2OR (55), Carolyn W5/G6WRW near Santa Fe, NM (53), Al VE7WJ (53), Joe DF9ZP (59), KB5AVE (56), and last, Mike IF9ZWA (55) on Favignana Island off the coast of Sicily. What amazed me the most was that I had good propagation both east and west of my location which I don't always find to be the case."

And finally, I just ran across a previously overlooked email from Wayne Mills, N7NG of Jackson Hole, Wyoming sent on January 4, 2013,

reflecting on cycle 19. Wayne said, "I have seen all of the solar peaks since 1956. What I have to say, however, is that I had absolutely no expectation of what cycle 20 might be like. The reason was that when I was a sophomore in high school in 1958, I had NO IDEA what sunspots were.

I started working DX in 1956 with 90 watts and a low 40M dipole. I was on 20M CW ONLY. No worries about other bands, what might be open, what long paths might be open. Just listen and work what I heard.

It was just a few high school friends and me; we had very little contact with local DXers. Eventually, I ran into W6MX (Honor Roll 1955) and W6BAX, a serious DXer and learned a few things.

Soon, I put up a 2 element 20M beam, and then I had to worry about where to point it. Still, it took more than 2 years to work DXCC.

Things will never be the same."

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service at http://arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals. For an explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin, see http://arrl.org/the-sun-the-earth-the-ionosphere. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at http://arrl.org/w1aw-bulletins-archive-propagation. More good information and tutorials on propagation are at http://k9la.us/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://arrl.org/propagation.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of ARRL bulletins are at http://arrl.org/bulletins.

Sunspot numbers for May 16 through 22 were 212, 198, 146, 113, 113, 119, and 107, with a mean of 144. 10.7 cm flux was 144.7, 136.4, 132.1, 135.3, 132, 125.3, and 133.4, with a mean of 134.2. Estimated planetary A indices were 14, 9, 21, 12, 7, 7, and 12, with a mean of 9.7. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 12, 9, 16, 11, 6, 8, and 10, with a mean of 10.3.
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21225. RW6HS

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-05-24 20:29:02 UTC
From: Tony Rogozinski
Topic: 21225 Message: 21225

Can anyone give me any info as to the whereabouts of RW6HS or contact info. The email address I have for him and that on QRZ.COM
has not worked for months. He is supposed to be my QSL Manager for HK1AR and other calls but no word since last fall.
I need to find another manager if unable to contact.

Thanks and 73

trogo at telegraphy.com

Tony W4OI/HK4AR
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HK0/HK1AR, 5V7BG, TU/N7BG, OJ0/N7BG
5B4/N7BG, ZC4/N7BG, ZF2AR, HB9/N7BG
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On the air since 1957

21226. Re: RW6HS

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-05-24 21:19:45 UTC
From: Bob
Topic: 21225 Message: 21226

Tony

Just received direct QSLs from him about a month ago for a couple of the calls he manages. Sent at the end of Jan 2013. So he is still QSLing. His web site is still up so I don't know why email would not work to that address.

Bob KB1JZU

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>
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>
> Tony W4OI/HK4AR
>

21227. Re: [DX-IS] Re: RW6HS

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-05-24 21:27:16 UTC
From: Tony Rogozinski
Topic: 21225 Message: 21227

Thanks. I guess at least he is still alive! I just sent another message to the email address on his web site. At least 5 have bounced over
the past few months.

Tony

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From: Bob
Sent: Friday, May 24, 2013 5:19 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: RW6HS

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> Tony W4OI/HK4AR
>

21228. Re: [DX-IS] RW6HS

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-05-24 21:46:57 UTC
From: Buzz Jehle
Topic: 21225 Message: 21228

For what it's worth, I received 2 cards from RW6HS in April this year, from Box 0. He still assumes to be active. Good Luck, Buzz

_____
A E BUZZ JEHLE
POB 2277
BANDERA TX 78003-2277 USA
1 830 796 4196
CELL 1 713 725 5914

EMAIL BUZZ@...

On May 24, 2013, at 8:29 PM, Tony Rogozinski <trogo@...> wrote:

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21229. Re: [DX-IS] Re: SV2ASP/A

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-05-25 09:56:34 UTC
From: David J. McAulay
Topic: 21214 Message: 21229

Bob

Just to let you know, as Im writing this email, Lance is getting ready
to go out to dinner he tells me....
I think he doesn't care what time he gets home, as he is about to be out
on the town CELEBRATING

You see Lance and I just worked monk Apollo on 18 mhz CW... through the
EU pileup (all 5 of them)
via the long path as a few had suggested because of the so called hill
in the way to Australia.

I like Lance, will be celebrating as the cw qso is one of 5 that i still
required, so its 4 to go for me now on cw

FWIW, I value a qso a few years ago i had with Apollo on SSB, his Qsl
card takes a lot of pride in my shack
more so because it reads "tnx for the qso on 3.799 SSB"

Dreams do really come true.! ask anyone who has a P5 cw qsl.

73 Regards David VK3EW

On 24/05/2013 5:18 PM, Bob wrote:
>
> Lance/Jeff
>
> I have worked Monk Apollo on 2Bands & 4Modes from MA and 20M-RTTY off
> a LP dipole in Maine. Not too difficult for the NE USA. He is a very
> good op and prefers acting a LP DX so you have to wait for propagation
> to pick him up. If he is strong then forget it, EU buries everyone.
>
> Not a brag....I have never heard S2 from your side of the world so it
> works both ways.
>
> Forget thinking email, clusters, social media, etc. No Way!
>
> I have communicated several times via snail mail with Monk Apollo and
> have received a lovely card and hand written note each time.
>
> I suggest you put together a group and try the mail again. The other
> option is to wait until someone visits him (as with the antenna
> installation) and then communicate through them. As you know it would
> be almost impossible to arrange a SKED via snail mail since schedules
> and propagation months away are unknown.
>
> Good luck

> Bob
>
> --- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>, Lance
> Martin <L.Martin@...> wrote:
> >
> > Hi Jeff, ditto ol' chap.
> >
> > Monk apollo is an enigma for us VK6s.
> > Many of us still need SV/A for an all time new one (all modes/bands)
> including me.
> >
> > Since 2006, I have heard him once 44 LP 20m SSB but couldn't break
> the EU pile.
> >
> > I put a spot on the cluster every time he is spotted hoping that he
> will see it or someone will convey a message to him. I reckon I have
> been on air 10 times when he has been QRV in the last 7 years and zip.
> Some guys from the US visited Monk Apollo last year to put an antenna
> up on the hill, I haven't heard the outcome.
> >
> > The Dear Monk's Monastery is on the east side of a hill, so I guess
> we will only hear him LP.
> >
> > I did once write to Monk Apollo but nothing has been forthcoming.
> >
> > Keep at 'em.
> >
> > 73, Lance -VK6DU
> >
> > On May 24, 2013, at 9:18 PM, "Jeff Gaylard"
> <jeffg@...<mailto:jeffg@...>> wrote:
> > Hi there
> >
> > Seen your spot . I was always looking for an email to set a sked up
> with SV2 but could never find it.
> > IF you ever know of them coming on line for VK, I would appreciate
> to know.
> >
> >
> >
> >
> > Best Regards
> >
> > Jeff Gaylard
> > VK3JEF
> >
> > RF Parts Australia Pty Ltd
> > Factory 6
> > 277 Middleborough Road
> > Box Hill South, Victoria,

> > Australia, 3128
> >
> > TOLL FREE 1800 RFPARTS
> > PH 61 3 9897 1886
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> > E-mail jeffg@...<mailto:jeffg@...>
> > Web www.rfparts.com.au<http://www.rfparts.com.au/>
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> Mail----------
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> No virus found in this message.
> Checked by AVG - www.avg.com <http://www.avg.com>
> Version: 2013.0.2904 / Virus Database: 3184/6355 - Release Date: 05/24/13
>

21230. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-05-25 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21230

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:Issued: 2013 May 25 1126 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30525
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 25 May 2013, 1105UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 25 May 2013 until 27 May 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 25 May 2013 10CM FLUX: 127 / AP: 013
PREDICTIONS FOR 26 May 2013 10CM FLUX: 125 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 27 May 2013 10CM FLUX: 128 / AP: 007
COMMENT:Solar activity has been eruptive featuring several C-class flares in the
last 24 hours. It is expected to remain so for the next 24 hours, although
AR NOAA 1755 and 1756 have a possibility in producing a M-class flare.
Proton levels have just dropped below the 10.0 pfu treshold for the 10 MeV
particles. Geomagnetic activity has reached storm levels (K=5) around 18:00
UT on May 24th. Presumably this was related to the CME of May 22d.
Geomagnetic activity is expected to be quiet for the next 48 hours.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 080, BASED ON 16 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 24 May 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 117
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 127
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 037
AK WINGST : 028
ESTIMATED AP : 027
ESTIMATED ISN : 075, BASED ON 16 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21231. Re: [DX-IS] Re: RW6HS

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-05-25 23:23:07 UTC
From: Tony Rogozinski
Topic: 21225 Message: 21231

My attempt to contact RW6HS again failed as noted below. If anyone on list can suggest where I might get assistance please advise. Thanks.

This message was created automatically by mail delivery software.
A message that you sent has not yet been delivered to one or more of its
recipients after more than 24 hours on the queue on www8.qth.com.

The message identifier is: 1UfzUq-0001oz-Hh
The subject of the message is: Hi
The date of the message is: Fri, 24 May 2013 17:25:57 -0400

The address to which the message has not yet been delivered is:

rw6hs@...

From: Bob
Sent: Friday, May 24, 2013 5:19 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: RW6HS

Tony

Just received direct QSLs from him about a month ago for a couple of the calls he manages. Sent at the end of Jan 2013. So he is still QSLing. His web site is still up so I don't know why email would not work to that address.

Bob KB1JZU

--- In mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com, "Tony Rogozinski" <trogo@...> wrote:
>
> Can anyone give me any info as to the whereabouts of RW6HS or contact info. The email address I have for him and that on QRZ.COM
> has not worked for months. He is supposed to be my QSL Manager for HK1AR and other calls but no word since last fall.
> I need to find another manager if unable to contact.
>
> Thanks and 73
>
> trogo at telegraphy.com
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> Tony W4OI/HK4AR
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21232. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-05-26 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21232

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:Issued: 2013 May 26 1203 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30526
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 26 May 2013, 1205UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 26 May 2013 until 28 May 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 26 May 2013 10CM FLUX: 123 / AP: 017
PREDICTIONS FOR 27 May 2013 10CM FLUX: 125 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 28 May 2013 10CM FLUX: 125 / AP: 007
COMMENT:Only 2 C-class flares were recorded in the last 24 hours. Solar activity
is expected to remain eruptive. A M-class flare is still possible.
Solar wind speed is currently around 700 km/s, but the interplanetary
magnetic field Bz component is around 0 nT. Geomagnetic activity has
reached active to storm levels in the last 24 hours, but is expected to
calm down to quiet levels in the evening of May 26th. It is expected to
remain quiet for the next 48 hours.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 067, BASED ON 08 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 25 May 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 121
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 047
AK WINGST : 033
ESTIMATED AP : 037
ESTIMATED ISN : 078, BASED ON 20 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21233. RE: [DX-IS] Re: SV2ASP/A

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-05-26 14:24:46 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 21214 Message: 21233

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So a big thank you to Monk Apollo for coming on air and hanging around so long yesterday. I even saw him spotted today but that darn radar was so strong here it wiped out 17 CW completely.

I did have a few quite ones last night and some big smiles.

13 more to go for me mixed....the DXCC hill is getting harder and slower...

Keep at 'em,

73, Lance - VK6DU

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of David J. McAulay
Sent: Saturday, 25 May 2013 5:57 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Cc: Bob
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: SV2ASP/A

Bob

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FWIW, I value a qso a few years ago i had with Apollo on SSB, his Qsl card takes a lot of pride in my shack
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Dreams do really come true.! ask anyone who has a P5 cw qsl.

73 Regards David VK3EW

On 24/05/2013 5:18 PM, Bob wrote:

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I suggest you put together a group and try the mail again. The other option is to wait until someone visits him (as with the antenna installation) and then communicate through them. As you know it would be almost impossible to arrange a SKED via snail mail since schedules and propagation months away are unknown.

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No virus found in this message.
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Version: 2013.0.2904 / Virus Database: 3184/6355 - Release Date: 05/24/13

21234. Re: SV2ASP/A

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-05-26 16:09:38 UTC
From: ve7tk
Topic: 21214 Message: 21234

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-05-26 16:18:06 UTC
From: Roberto Rey
Topic: 21214 Message: 21235

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21236. Re: [DX-IS] Re: SV2ASP/A

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-05-26 16:23:33 UTC
From: iain macdonnell - N6ML
Topic: 21214 Message: 21236

It's got to be a guest op. He does operate some CW, but never for
hours at a time, on consecutive days, like this. Anyone know for sure?

Still no copy here on the left coast :(

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~iain / N6ML

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> > > FX 61 3 9897 1884
> > >
> > > E-mail jeffg@<mailto:jeffg@><mailto:jeffg@>
> > > Web
> > > www.rfparts.com.au<http://www.rfparts.com.au><http://www.rfparts.com.au/>
> > >
> > > ----------------------------------End of
> > > Mail---
> > >
> > No virus found in this message.
> > Checked by AVG - www.avg.com<http://www.avg.com>
> > Version: 2013.0.2904 / Virus Database: 3184/6355 - Release Date:
> > 05/24/13
> >
>
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21237. RE: [DX-IS] Re: SV2ASP/A

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-05-27 08:02:55 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 21214 Message: 21237

Hi Roberto,

The op. I worked was a very accomplished CW operator. I presumed it was Apollo.
Very smooth and signing very regularly.

Mt. Athos has had some guest operators over the years but normally it is advertised (though not always...).

Bernie W3UR always seems to know what is going on, perhaps he can shed some light on the matter?

73, Lance - VK6DU

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Roberto Rey
Sent: Monday, 27 May 2013 12:18 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: SV2ASP/A

I thought Monk Apollo didn't work CW.. is this new?

73 de HK3CW Rob
----- Original Message -----
From: ve7tk<mailto:ve7tk@...>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com<mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Sunday, May 26, 2013 11:09 AM
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: SV2ASP/A

Well done Lance. Congratulations!

According to the spots on the east coast (4000 kms away) he's still there today close to 1600 UTC on 17m. However, I think 1600 is his supper time because he disappears for a few hours.

So I'm still trying!

73, Rick
VE7TK

PS: I think I heard Paul (N6PSE) get him today!

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com<mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>, Lance Martin
<L.Martin@...<mailto:L.Martin@...>> wrote:
>
> Hey Guys,
>
> I am still pinching myself here and still can't believe it!
>
> So a big thank you to Monk Apollo for coming on air and hanging around so long yesterday.

> I even saw him spotted today but that darn radar was so strong here it wiped out 17 CW completely.
>
> I did have a few quite ones last night and some big smiles.
>
> 13 more to go for me mixed....the DXCC hill is getting harder and slower...
>
> Keep at 'em,
>
> 73, Lance - VK6DU
>
> From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com<mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com> [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com<mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>] On Behalf Of David J. McAulay
> Sent: Saturday, 25 May 2013 5:57 PM
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com<mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>
> Cc: Bob
> Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Re: SV2ASP/A
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> Bob
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> Just to let you know, as Im writing this email, Lance is getting ready to go out to dinner he tells me....
> I think he doesn't care what time he gets home, as he is about to be out on the town CELEBRATING
>
> You see Lance and I just worked monk Apollo on 18 mhz CW... through the EU pileup (all 5 of them)
> via the long path as a few had suggested because of the so called hill in the way to Australia.
>
> I like Lance, will be celebrating as the cw qso is one of 5 that i still required, so its 4 to go for me now on cw
>
> FWIW, I value a qso a few years ago i had with Apollo on SSB, his Qsl card takes a lot of pride in my shack
> more so because it reads "tnx for the qso on 3.799 SSB"
>
> Dreams do really come true.! ask anyone who has a P5 cw qsl.
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> 73 Regards David VK3EW
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> On 24/05/2013 5:18 PM, Bob wrote:
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> Lance/Jeff
>
> I have worked Monk Apollo on 2Bands & 4Modes from MA and 20M-RTTY off a LP dipole in Maine. Not too difficult for the NE USA. He is a very good op and prefers acting a LP DX so you have to wait for propagation to pick him up. If he is strong then forget it, EU buries everyone.
>
> Not a brag....I have never heard S2 from your side of the world so it works both ways.
>
> Forget thinking email, clusters, social media, etc. No Way!
>
> I have communicated several times via snail mail with Monk Apollo and have received a lovely card and hand written note each time.
>
> I suggest you put together a group and try the mail again. The other option is to wait until someone visits him (as with the antenna installation) and then communicate through them. As you know it would be almost impossible to arrange a SKED via snail mail since schedules and propagation months away are unknown.
>
> Good luck
> Bob
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> --- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com<mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com><mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>, Lance Martin <L.Martin@><mailto:L.Martin@> wrote:
> >
> > Hi Jeff, ditto ol' chap.
> >
> > Monk apollo is an enigma for us VK6s.
> > Many of us still need SV/A for an all time new one (all modes/bands) including me.
> >
> > Since 2006, I have heard him once 44 LP 20m SSB but couldn't break the EU pile.
> >
> > I put a spot on the cluster every time he is spotted hoping that he will see it or someone will convey a message to him. I reckon I have been on air 10 times when he has been QRV in the last 7 years and zip. Some guys from the US visited Monk Apollo last year to put an antenna up on the hill, I haven't heard the outcome.
> >
> > The Dear Monk's Monastery is on the east side of a hill, so I guess we will only hear him LP.
> >
> > I did once write to Monk Apollo but nothing has been forthcoming.
> >
> > Keep at 'em.
> >
> > 73, Lance -VK6DU
> >

> > On May 24, 2013, at 9:18 PM, "Jeff Gaylard" <jeffg@<mailto:jeffg@><mailto:jeffg@>>
wrote:
> > Hi there
> >
> > Seen your spot . I was always looking for an email to set a sked up with SV2 but could
never find it.
> > IF you ever know of them coming on line for VK, I would appreciate to know.
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> >
> > Best Regards
> >
> > Jeff Gaylard
> > VK3JEF
> >
> > RF Parts Australia Pty Ltd
> > Factory 6
> > 277 Middleborough Road
> > Box Hill South, Victoria,
> > Australia, 3128
> >
> > TOLL FREE 1800 RFPARTS
> > PH 61 3 9897 1886
> > FX 61 3 9897 1884
> >
> > E-mail jeffg@<mailto:jeffg@><mailto:jeffg@>
> > Web www.rfparts.com.au<http://www.rfparts.com.au><http://www.rfparts.com.au/>
> >
> > ----------------------------------End of
Mail--
> >
> No virus found in this message.
> Checked by AVG - www.avg.com<http://www.avg.com>
> Version: 2013.0.2904 / Virus Database: 3184/6355 - Release Date: 05/24/13
>

21238. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-05-27 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21238

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:Issued: 2013 May 27 1309 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30527
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 27 May 2013, 1305UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 27 May 2013 until 29 May 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 27 May 2013 10CM FLUX: 120 / AP: 012
PREDICTIONS FOR 28 May 2013 10CM FLUX: 124 / AP: 005
PREDICTIONS FOR 29 May 2013 10CM FLUX: 124 / AP: 011
COMMENT:Solar activity has been low with two minor C-class flares in the last 24
hours and is expected to remain so for the next 48 hours. There is still a
slight chance for a M-class flare. The proton flux is again at low levels
and is expected to remain so for the next 48 hours. The solar wind speed
measured by ACE currently is variable with values between 600 and 750 km/s.
The magnitude of the interplanetary magnetic field is stable at 5 nT.
Current geomagnetic conditions are quiet and expected to remain so for the
next 48 hours.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 063, BASED ON 18 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 26 May 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 120
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 028
AK WINGST : 022
ESTIMATED AP : 023
ESTIMATED ISN : 066, BASED ON 19 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21239. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-05-28 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21239

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:Issued: 2013 May 28 1246 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30528
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 28 May 2013, 1205UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 28 May 2013 until 30 May 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 28 May 2013 10CM FLUX: 110 / AP: 008
PREDICTIONS FOR 29 May 2013 10CM FLUX: 104 / AP: 003
PREDICTIONS FOR 30 May 2013 10CM FLUX: 104 / AP: 008
COMMENT:Active regions NOAA 1755 and 1756 have further decreased in size. Solar
activity was very low during the past 24 hours. There still is a chance for
C-class flare activity. The solar wind speed measured by ACE still reaches
high values, currently being at 700 km/s. The magnitude of the
interplanetary magnetic field is lower than 5 nT. Geomagnetic conditions
are quiet to unsettled and are expected to remain so for the next 48 hours.
>From the end of day 3 on, we expect the influence of a coronal hole
currently approaching the central meridian.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 053, BASED ON 15 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 27 May 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 110
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 110
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 023
AK WINGST : 020
ESTIMATED AP : 018
ESTIMATED ISN : 062, BASED ON 20 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21240. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-05-29 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21240

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:Issued: 2013 May 29 1136 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30529
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 29 May 2013, 1105UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 29 May 2013 until 31 May 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Active conditions expected (A>=20 or K=4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 29 May 2013 10CM FLUX: 105 / AP: 001
PREDICTIONS FOR 30 May 2013 10CM FLUX: 105 / AP: 006
PREDICTIONS FOR 31 May 2013 10CM FLUX: 105 / AP: 032
COMMENT:Solar activity was low during the past 24 hours, with only two C1-class
flares. The last one was a two-ribbon flare and occurred at 7h30 UT near
active region Catania 83 (NOAA 1755), but currently no associated CME is
detected. C-class flaring conditions are expected for the next 48 hours.
The solar wind speed decreased during the past 24 hours from 800 to 550
km/s. The interplanetary magnetic field is stable with a magnitude of less
than 5 nT and a positive Bz-component. Geomagnetic conditions are quiet
(local K<3 at Dourbes) and are expected to remain so for the next 24 hours.
At the end of day 2 we expect the arrival of a fast solar wind stream
emanating from a coronal hole in the central of the solar disk, possibly
resulting in geomagnetically active to minor storm levels (K= 4 to 5).
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 050, BASED ON 06 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 28 May 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 105
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 008
AK WINGST : 010
ESTIMATED AP : 010
ESTIMATED ISN : 055, BASED ON 25 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21241. CQ Idaho

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-05-30 05:04:31 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 21241 Message: 21241

Hey Guys,

Need Idaho 20/40m CW LOTW (and digital any band for triple play).

Anyone know anyone in Idaho that could help me out?

73, Lance - VK6DU

21242. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-05-30 14:01:03 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21242

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:Issued: 2013 May 30 1239 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30530
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 30 May 2013, 1205UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 30 May 2013 until 01 Jun 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Active conditions expected (A>=20 or K=4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 30 May 2013 10CM FLUX: 110 / AP: 002
PREDICTIONS FOR 31 May 2013 10CM FLUX: 110 / AP: 031
PREDICTIONS FOR 01 Jun 2013 10CM FLUX: 110 / AP: 026
COMMENT:Solar activity was low during the past 24 hours. There was only one
C2.8-class flare originating from a new active region NOAA AR 1760, which
just rotated behind the east limb. Catania regions 82 and 83 (resp NOAA AR
1756 and 1755) have a simple magnetic beta configuration and are further
decreasing in size. No Earth directed CMEs are detected. C-class flaring
conditions are expected for the next 48 hours, mainly originating from NOAA
AR 1760. The solar wind further slowed down to a speed of 400 km/s. The
interplanetary magnetic field is stable with a magnitude of less than 5 nT.
Geomagnetic conditions are quiet (local K<3 at Dourbes). This situation is
expected to remain so for the next few hours till the arrival of the fast
flow from the coronal hole in the centre of the solar disk. This might
result in geomagnetically active to minor storm levels (K= 4 to 5).
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 052, BASED ON 08 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 29 May 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 086
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 107
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 005
AK WINGST : 002
ESTIMATED AP : 002
ESTIMATED ISN : 052, BASED ON 13 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21243. E-mail for JX9JKA / LA9JKA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-05-30 21:18:00 UTC
From: Donald L. De Feyter
Topic: 21243 Message: 21243

HELP!!!!

Any body out there got a good E-mail address for Svein LA9JKA / JX9JKA. The one he has on QRZ.com does not work.

Many Thanks

73

Don/KC8CY

21244. RE: CQ Idaho

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-05-31 05:39:28 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 21241 Message: 21244

Ok thanks guys,

Now I know why I don't have many QSOs with Idaho!

Does anyone live in Idaho at all?

:)

73, Lance - VK6DU

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Lance Martin
Sent: Thursday, 30 May 2013 1:05 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] CQ Idaho

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21245. ARLD022 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-05-31 01:29:22 UTC
From: jjreisert@...
Topic: 4524 Message: 21245

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ARLD022 DX news

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QST de W1AW
DX Bulletin 22 ARLD022
>From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT May 30, 2013
To all radio amateurs

SB DX ARL ARLD022
ARLD022 DX news

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by NC1L, The Weekly DX, the OPDX Bulletin, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, DXNL, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

GHANA, 9G. Hans, PB2T will be QRV as 9G5AA from June 2 to 7. QSL to home call.

BHUTAN, A5. Shin, A52SV has been active on 17 meters around 1400 to 1500z. QSL via JA2PSV.

QATAR, A7. Mark, G0MGX plans to be QRV as A71/G0MGX until the end of 2013. Activity will be mainly during the weekends using RTTY and JT65 on the HF bands. QSL direct to home call.

CAPE VERDE, D4. Harald, DF2WO will be QRV as D44TWO from June 3 to 20. Activity will be holiday style on the HF bands using CW and SSB. QSL via M0OXO.

FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY, DA. Oliver, DK7TX will be QRV as DK7TX/p from Wangerooge Island, IOTA EU-047, from June 5 to 10. Activity will be holiday style on 20 to 10 meters. QSL to home call.

SPAIN, EA. Special event station EG5SUB will be QRV on June 1 and 2 for the Museum Ships Weekend. Activity will be on the HF bands using CW, SSB and various digital modes. QSL via operators' instructions.

SAINT BARTHELEMY, FJ. Jeff, K5WE and Erik, N5WR will be QRV as FJ/home calls from June 3 to 10. Activity will be on 80 to 6 meters using mostly CW with some SSB and RTTY as well. QSL to home calls.

FRENCH GUINEA, FY. Christian, F5UII will be QRV from the FY5KE radio club in Kourou from June 5 to 14 while on business there.

Activity will be limited to generally 1000 to 1100z and then after 2100z. He may also be QRV as FY/F5UII/p from Isle Royale, IOTA SA-020. Activity will be on the HF bands. QSL via operator's instructions.

ITALY, I. Special event station II4BTK will be QRV on June 1 and 2 for the Museum Ships Weekend. This station will be near what is left of the Elettra, a two-masted steam yacht that Marconi used as a floating laboratory. QSL via IQ4FE.

ALASKA, KL7. Jeff, KL2HD will be QRV as KL7NWR on Attu Island, IOTA NA-064, in the Aleutian Islands. Activity will be on 20, 17 and 15 meters as propagation permits. QSL via operator's instructions.

LITHUANIA, LY. Sam, LY5W is QRV as LY605W until June 20 in celebration of 605 years of Kaunas. QSL to home call.

MARKET REEF, OJ0. Harry, OJ0VM will be QRV June 2 to 6. He is a member of the Finnish Lighthouse Society and repairs Lighthouses together with his fellow members. QSL to home call.

BONAIRE, PJ4. Steve, 9M6DXX plans to be QRV as PJ4V beginning either June 4 or 5 until June 16. Activity will be holiday style on the HF bands using SSB. QSL via M0URX.

ASIATIC RUSSIA, UA0. Special event station R155C is QRV until June 30 to honor 155 years of the city of Chabarowsk. QSL via RZ0CWA.

MARSHALL ISLANDS, V7. Mike, KJ6MZ will be QRV as V73MZ from Kwajalein Island, IOTA OC-028, beginning in June and active for a few months. QSL via operator's instructions.

BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS, VP2V. Kevin, K6TOP is QRV as VP2V/K6TOP until June 6. QSL to home call.

INDONESIA, YB. Adhi, YB3MM will try to be QRV as YB3MM/p from Karangjamuang Island, IOTA OC-237, on June 1 and 2. Activity will be on 15 meters using SSB. QSL via IZ8CCW.

LATVIA, YL. Eddie, ES2TT will be QRV as YL0WANTED from June 5 to 9 during the American Cars Fan Meeting. Activity will be on 40 to 6 meters using CW and SSB. QSL to home call.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. IARU Region 1 CW Field Day, RSGB National CW Field Day, 10-10 International Open Season PSK Contest, NCCC RTTY Sprint, NCCC Sprint CW Ladder, DigiFest, Wake-Up. QRP CW Sprint, Maritimes QSO Party, Museum Ships Weekend, SEANET Contest, UKSMG Summer Contest and the Alabama QSO Party are all on tap for this weekend. The RSGB 80-Meter Club Data Championship is scheduled for June 3. The ARS Spartan CW Sprint is scheduled for June 4. Please see May QST, page 80, June QST, page 79 and the ARRL and WA7BNM Contest websites for details.
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21246. Re: [DX-IS] RE: CQ Idaho

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-05-31 07:37:49 UTC
From: John Peters
Topic: 21241 Message: 21246

When Admiral Rickover had a nuclear power prototype in Idaho Falls, lots of us were there and on the air.

I'm not sure many DXers live there. I worked DXCC from there in the 1960s.

73 John K1ER
----- Original Message -----
From: Lance Martin
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thursday, May 30, 2013 7:39 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] RE: CQ Idaho

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73, Lance - VK6DU

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Sent: Thursday, 30 May 2013 1:05 PM
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21247. Re: [DX-IS] RE: CQ Idaho

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-05-31 13:11:26 UTC
From: iain macdonnell - N6ML
Topic: 21241 Message: 21247

Try N7UVH or N7ESU. At least one of them has been known to hang out on
the K3UK LotW sked page.

73,

~iain / N6ML

On Thu, May 30, 2013 at 10:39 PM, Lance Martin <L.Martin@...> wrote:
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> Ok thanks guys,
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> Now I know why I don’t have many QSOs with Idaho!
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> 73, Lance – VK6DU
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> From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of
> Lance Martin
> Sent: Thursday, 30 May 2013 1:05 PM
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> Subject: [DX-IS] CQ Idaho
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21248. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-05-31 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21248

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:Issued: 2013 May 31 1250 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30531
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 31 May 2013, 1205UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 31 May 2013 until 02 Jun 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Minor storm expected (A>=30 or K=5)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 31 May 2013 10CM FLUX: 102 / AP: 012
PREDICTIONS FOR 01 Jun 2013 10CM FLUX: 104 / AP: 029
PREDICTIONS FOR 02 Jun 2013 10CM FLUX: 104 / AP: 010
COMMENT:Two C-class flares were observed during the past few hours. A C1.4 flare
at 7h57 UT originating from Catania sunspot group 82 (NOAA AR 1756) was a
long duration event. This is associated with a rather small limb CME
propagating to the South West and based on currently available information
it is expected not to be Earth directed. A C1.1 flare at 11h27 UT was
originating from Catania sunspot group 88 (NOAA AR 1761). C-class flaring
activity is expected for the next 48 hours. The current solar wind speed
is at 350 km/s. The interplanetary magnetic field has a magnitude of 5 nT
with a mainly negative Bz-component. Geomagnetic conditions are still quiet
(local K<3 at Dourbes). The geomagnetic index is expected to increase later
today and tomorrow and reach active to minor storm levels (K=4 to 5), due
to the effects of a fast speed stream.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 041, BASED ON 20 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 30 May 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 104
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 006
AK WINGST : 002
ESTIMATED AP : 002
ESTIMATED ISN : 052, BASED ON 13 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21249. 425 DX News - #1152

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-05-31 16:39:01 UTC
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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** DX INFORMATION ****
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C6 - Drew N2RFA (C6ABB), Gene K2KJI (C6ALC), Ivars KC4PX (C6APX) and
Jay K2TTT (C6ATT) will be active from New Providence (NA-001)
Bahamas on 8-15 June. Their main goal is to participate in the
ARRL VHF QSO Party (8-10 June); outside the contest they will be
QRV on 40-10 metres. QSL via home calls. [TNX The Daily DX]
D4 - Harald, DF2WO will be active holiday style as D44TWO from Sao
Tiago (AF-005), Cape Verde between 3 and 20 June. QSL via M0OXO,
direct or bureau (OQRS at www.m0oxo.com).
DL - Oliver, DK7TX will be active as DK7TX/p from Wangerooge Island
(EU-047) on 5-10 June. He will operate holiday style on 20-10
metres. QSL via home call. [TNX DK7TX]
DL - A team from DARC OV Bad Salzungen will be active as DK0WK from
Mount Geba in the Rhoen Biosphere Reserve (DLFF-027) on 7-9 June
for the Green Party. They plan to run three HF stations on SSB, CW
and PSK, and one VHF/UHF station. [TNX DL3ARK]
ET - Ken, K4ZW will be in Ethiopia on 8-10 June and plans to operate
mainly CW as ET3AA "whenever he can get access to the club
station". QSL for this operation via N2OO. [TNX The Daily DX]
F - Commemorating the 69th anniversary of D-Day, special station
TM6JUN will be active once again from Utah Beach on 1-15 June.
Look for activity on CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL via bureau to
F6KFW. [TNX F8REF]
F - Special callsign TM8YT will be activated on 1-15 June as a tribute
to Andre Fleury (F8YT), who became a SK on 4 February. Andre was
well known in the amateur radio circle because his personal
station was used for the filming of "If All the Guys in the World"
(original title "Si tous les gars du monde") in 1956. QSL via
F5KLJ. [TNX F8REF]
F - Special event station TM5AR will be active on 5-19 June during the
"Armada de Rouen", a large gathering of tall ships and historic
sailing vessels that is held every five years on the banks of the
Seine. QSL for this year's edition via F5IL. [TNX Les Nouvelles DX]
FS - John, K9EL will be active as FS/K9EL from Saint Martin (NA-105) on
11-28 June. He will be QRV on 80-6 metres. QSL via home call,
direct or bureau (OQRS on Club Log),and LoTW. [TNX The Daily DX]
FY - Christian, F5UII (www.f5uii.net) will be active as FY/F5UII from

French Guiana on 5-14 June. He will operate SSB on the HF bands in his spare time. A side trip to Ile Royale (SA-020) is planned during the weekend of 8-9 June. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX F5UII]
G - 2E0VAI, 2E0ZED, M0DSS, M0VKX, M6ECK and M6HOS will be active on the HF bands as GB1VR from the Holy Island of Lindisfarne (EU-120) on 7-9 June. QSL via eQSL only. [TNX rsgbiota.org]
HL - A team from the Korea Contest Club (DS1EVQ, DS2GOO, DS3GLW, DS4CDA, DS4NYE, HL1CR, HL1OYF, HL1VAU and HL3AMO) will be active as D85C from Ch'ongsan Island (AS-085) on 6-9 June. QSL via DS4NYE, direct only. Logsearch at www.d9k.org/xe/d85c. The operators may also use homecall/4 (QSL via home call). [TNX DS4NYE]
HR - "The Honduran Navy have changed plans slightly", and Dan, HQ3W will continue being active from Cayos Cochinos (NA-160) [425DXN 1149] for a couple of extra days. Bookmark http://hriotas.com/ for further updates.
J6 - Bill, K9HZ will be active again as J68HZ from St. Lucia (NA-108) on 8-22 June. He will operate CW, SSB and RTTY on 160-6 metres. QSL via K9HZ, LoTW and eQSL. [TNX K9HZ]
JD1_mt - Take, JG8NQJ will be active again as JG8NQJ/JD1 from Minami Torishima (OC-073) around mid-June. He will operate CW and some SSB mainly on 10, 12, 15 and 17 metres during his spare time. He typically stays for about 6-8 weeks on the island. QSL via JA8CJY. [TNX DX World]
LA - Ben DO1BEN, Andy DL5AND, Vincent DL6II and Georg DL3YAT will be active as LA5O on all bands from Austvagoy, Lofoten Islands (EU-076) on 8-14 June. QSL via DO1BEN, bureau preferred.
UA - Grigory, RA9ODD will embark on the M/V 'Spirit of Enderby' on a 17-day cruise in the Sea of Okhotsk. Depending on local and weather conditions, plans are to visit the following islands:
8 June Iony Island AS-069
9 June Shantarskiye Islands AS-044
10 June Malminskiye Islands AS-172
12 June Talan Island AS-059
14-15 June Yamskiye Islands AS-170
19 June Atlasova Island AS-025
The ship locator is on www.heritage-expeditions.com. Grigory will be QRV as RA9ODD/0 and/or RZ9OWE/0, possibly around 14260 and 21260 kHz. His operating time will be limited to a few hours only. [TNX UA9OBA]
UR - Nikolay, UX0FF and Alexandr, UR5FAV will be active as EM5F from Ochakovskiy Island (EU-182) from 31 May to 2 June. They will operate on various bands, 6 metres included (WWL KN45tj). QSL via UR5FAV (he welcomes email requests for bureau cards: orionua[@]orion.od.ua) and LoTW.
VE - Klaus, VE7KDU and Frank, VE7DP will try to operate from Barnard Island (NA-181) on 7-9 June ("reaching our destination will depend on local weather and sea conditions", Frank says). They will be QRV on 30-15 metres CW and SSB. A brief activity (less than 24 hours) from one of the qualifying islands in the NA-061 group,

immediately before or after NA-181, is also a possibility. [TNX VE7DP]
YB - Adhi, YB3MM will try to be active as YB3MM/p from Karangjamuang Island (OC-237) on 1-2 June. He will operate SSB only on 15 metres, low power. QSL via IZ8CCW or direct to YB3MM (instructions on qrz.com).

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NEW IRC ---> The Universal Postal Union has introduced the newest model of the International Reply Coupon. The "Doha model" IRC will be available for purchase on 1 July. It is valid for exchange until the end of 2017. The current "Nairobi model" remains valid until 31 December 2013.

QSL 5R8Z ---> Buzz, NI5DX is now the QSL manager for Tim, 5R8Z. Eventually he will be able to confirm all past and future contacts with 5R8Z, but please be patient, as the log transfer and card printing process will take several months. [TNX The Daily DX]

QSL XW3DT ---> Alex says that cards can be sent to Alex Sinchukov, P.O. Box 30, Moscow, 121614, Russia. This address "is valid approximately till October this year", he adds.

+ SILENT KEY + Gwen Tilson, VK3DYL passed away on 27 May. Born in 1930 and licensed since 1980, she enjoyed working DX from both ends of the pileups. Along with multi-national groups of YLs she operated from several interesting places, notably as JW0YL (Svalbard 1998), AX9YL (Norfolk 2000), VK9YL (Lord Howe 2002), ZK1XYL (Aitutaki and Rarotonga, South Cooks 2002), VK9XYL (Christmas Island 2003), VK9CYL (Cocos/Keeling 2003), A35YL (Tonga 2005) and YJ0YL (Vanuatu 2005).

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******* QSL ROUTES *******
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CALL MANAGER CALL MANAGER CALL MANAGER
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2J0ZAZ/p 2E0ZAZ GB2C M0RBG P3N RW3RN
3B8CW NI5DX GB4SES M0DOL P40A WD9DZV
3Z0DKG SP6FRF GB5PT M0XIG PA33A PA3S
3Z0LUB SP8YWK GB70BOA M0BZZ PJ2T W3HNK
3Z0ZAK SP7PTK GB70WA G3UFO PJ4A K4BAI
4A2I XE2I GI5I GI4DOH PJ4G WA2NHA

4L3T ON4RU GM9W M0DXR PJ4R N4RR
4O7TC UA3TCJ GS5NB GM0WED PJ6/W6IZT N7XG
5B4AJC UA3DX GT4FOC G3SWH PJ6A N4NX
5N4EAM IK2IQD GW100C M0OXO PQ5FB PY5FB
5P9Z DL7UZO GW100RSGB M0VFC PR3A PY3OZ
5U9AMO M0URX H44RK NR6M PR5B 6K5YPD
5W1SA JA1DXA HB10BE HB9BE PS2T K3IRV
6V7S RK4FF HC2AC RW6HS PW2F PY2NA
7Z1SJ EA7FTR HD5AC HC5VF PW7T PT7WA
8J1ITU JA8CCL HF50WLA SP2YWL R155C RZ0CWA
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9A28EU 9A3JB HF80JATA SQ8JCB R95PW RW4PUG
9A2L 9A3AG HF9Q SP9QMP RU27IT RU4IT
9A5D 9A1BHI HG0VBD HA5FA S503EO S53EO
9A5Y 9A7W HG3IPA HA3JB SJ2W SM2LIY
9A8M 9A3JB HG4F HA4FF SK3W SM5DJZ
9H25Y PI4KGL HG6N HA6KNB SN0DKG SP6OPZ
9H3E PA1FW HG7T HA7TM SN0MPW SP5PEP
9H3JN PB2JJ HI3EPR ON4IQ SN0VBD SP2BH
9H3S PA3HGP HI3TT ON4IQ SN0WFF SP5X
9H3YM PE1OFJ HK1R K6IPM SN40GTJ SP2GTJ
9K2UU EA5ZD HK3DC KD2ALV SN40LT SP1PMY
9M4DX JA6IDJ HK3TK F5CWU SO4M SP4MPG
9N1FE EA5ZD HP1/IQ6CC IZ4SUC SP9YFF/6 SP9WAN
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A61LL EA5ZD HR2DMR KD4POJ SZ8S G1LAT [d]
A62A IZ8CLM HS0AC HS0ZFZ SZ8S M0SCG [b]
A65BD G5LP IB9T IT9TQH T88AT KQ2I
A65BP UA6MF II0IEE IW0EFA TC1919ATA TA6P
A65CA RV6AJJ II1ITR IQ1LM TC19MAY YM4XA
A71CM NI5DX II2CJ IW2HAJ TC19MYS YM6KA
AC2BF/KH2 JA1OHP II9SUB IT9MRM TC7C RA1QQ
AY5F LU5FC IO1T IK1RQT TM0R F5GGL
B3C BA4EG IO2PAX IK2RPE TM100USA F6KUP
B7M BG7LHY IQ1UE IZ1PJX TM4M F6KED
BY1RX EA7FTR JW7XM LA7XM TM5JST F5MDF
BY5CD BD4HF KH2KY JA1MFR TM6ENO F6ENO
C4Z G3SWH KH6LC WA6WPG TM6M F4DXW
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CE3CT EA5KB KP2M AI4U TP2CE F5LGF
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CO2HQ NR6M LO5D LU8EOT UN3M EA7FTR
CO6LE EA5GL LP5D AC7DX UN7QF EX2A
CO7EH AD4C LS1D AC7DX UN7TK EA7FTR
CP4DR KV7Q LT1F AC7DX UN9L LZ1YE
CR2X OH2BH LV6E AI6V UN9LBB W3HNK
CR3A EA5GL LX4A LX1NO UP2L UA9AB
CR3L DJ6QT LX7I LX2A V44KAI W5TFW

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CS2C OK1RF LZ2013KM LZ1BJ VP2ETE W3HNK
CU2KG OH2BH LZ5R LZ1YQ VP53V W5CW
CV5T CX5TR LZ5X LZ1DCW VP9FOC VE3DZ
CW5W CX6VM LZ9W LZ1PM VU2HBC DL7BC
CW90A CX2ABC MJ/ON6NB ON4ANN W7P W7BBQ
CX1FU CX2ABC MJ0CFW M0CFW XL3T VE3AT
CX2DK EA5GL MJ5Z M0CFW XR3A CE3DNP
CX9AU EA5GL MM3N GM4SID XV9NPS JA2NPS [b]
D2SG GM4FDM NH2T W2YC XV9NPS JA2ODB [d]
DU1/W7XA NR6M NP3A WD8CW YB8P W2FB
E51JJU ZL2JU OA4SS KB6J YE1NZ NI5DX
E7DX E77E OD5PY KU9C YJ0PO K2PO
EA6URA EA3AIR OG0Z W0MM YN2GY K9GY
EA9EU EA5KB OG3077F OH3JF YN3M W0MM
EA9KB EA7FTR OG30OJ OH3OJ YP100S YO7HKR
ED1R EC1KR OG73X OH8L YP10KQT YO2KQT
EE8X W2GR OH0/SK3SN SM3KIF YP7ARDF YO7KFX
EF5F EA5FV OH0X OH2TA YR4R YO4REC
EF8M UA3DX OH0Z W0MM YR60A YO8AXP
EH2URD EA2URD OH10A OH3WW YR625RMV YO7HKM
EH2WFF EA2CTQ OL1C OK1ONA YS1/NP3J EA5GL
EI0W EI9GTB OL2013DIG OK1AR Z81B IZ0EGA
EI2GEO EI7IS OL4A OK1DSX ZB54FK ZB2FK
EK6LP RN4LP OL5W OK1IC ZF1A K6AM
EM2G UR7GO OL7C OK1KVK ZF2DO N5DO
EM40CU UR5CJN OM13SIAF OM8JP ZF2GT W3HGT
EM68J K2PF [d] OM7M OM3PA ZF2SL AC6T
EM68J UU2JQ [b] OP7V ON7VA ZL4IR W8WC
ER44WFF ER1RY OR5T ON4ALY ZM1A ZL3CW
ES9C ES5RY OS0C ON7KC ZM4M ZL4PW
FK8CE LZ1JZ OU1RAEM DF5LW ZM4T ZL2AL
FK8GX W3HNK OZ1RDP DL9BCP ZW7R PR7ZAJ
G100C M0OXO P29FR I2RFJ ZW7REF PR7ZAJ
G5W G3BJ P33W UA3DX ZX5J AI4U

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July JG8NQJ/JD1: Minami Torishima (OC-073) 1152
July RV3EFH/0: Bolshevik Island (AS-042) 1139
02/08-09/08 MJ/OT9Z: Jersey (EU-013) 1145
03/08-04/08 TO1PF: Reunion Island (AF-016) 1137
August RV3EFH/0: Bolshevik Island (AS-042) 1139
06/09-16/09 XW: Laos * by 9M6DXX and others 1145
September RV3EFH/0: Bolshevik Island (AS-042) 1139
01/10-11/10 CY0P: Sable Island (NA-063) 1143
03/10-17/10 FH: Mayotte (AF-027) * by I2YSB and others 1143
17/10-30/10 IG9Y: Lampedusa Island (AF-019) 1149
October K9W: Wake Island (OC-053) 1141
October RV3EFH/0: Bolshevik Island (AS-042) 1139
06/11-17/11 T33A: Banaba Island (OC-018) 1143
08/11-20/11 XR0ZR: Juan Fernandez (SA-005) 1148
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21251. ARLP022 Propagation de K7RA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-05-31 19:34:07 UTC
From: jjreisert@...
Topic: 4540 Message: 21251

SB PROP @ ARL $ARLP022
ARLP022 Propagation de K7RA

ZCZC AP22
QST de W1AW
Propagation Forecast Bulletin 22 ARLP022
>From Tad Cook, K7RA
Seattle, WA May 31, 2013
To all radio amateurs

SB PROP ARL ARLP022
ARLP022 Propagation de K7RA

Average daily sunspot numbers sank nearly 50 points to 94.3 this week, and the average daily solar flux was down over 16 points to 117.8. Geomagnetic indices were quite high, due to a solar wind stream.

The predicted solar flux for the near term is 105 on May 31 through June 1, 110 on June 2-5, then 105, 115, 125 and 130 on June 6-9, 135 on June 10-11, 140 on June 12-13, then 135, 125, 135 and 130 on June 14-17, and 125 on June 18-20.

Predicted planetary A index is 18 on May 31, 15 and 10 on June 1-2, 8 on June 3-4, 5 on June 5-10, then 8, 12, and 8 on June 11-13, and 5 on June 14-17.

OK1HH predicts the geomagnetic field will be quiet to active on May 31, active to disturbed June 1, quiet to active June 2, mostly quiet June 3, quiet to unsettled June 4, quiet June 5-7, mostly quiet June 8-9, quiet June 10, quiet to unsettled June 11, quiet to active June 12-14, mostly quiet June 15-17, quiet June 18, quiet to unsettled June 19-20, active to disturbed June 21, and quiet to active June 22.

The Australian Space Forecast Centre issued an alert at 0524 UTC on May 30 warning of increased geomagnetic activity due to a solar wind stream from a coronal hole. For May 31 they predict mostly unsettled to active conditions with the chance of minor storm periods in the latter half of the UTC day at high latitudes. For June 1 they expect mostly unsettled conditions with a chance of active periods.

Rich Zwirko, K1HTV of Amissville, Virginia wrote on May 29: "Worked my first European of the 2013 6M Es season at 2200Z yesterday, May 28th. Worked F8GGD and heard two other French stations on CW here at my FM18ap Virginia QTH. They were in and out of the noise here for about 45 minutes before the band opened to the southeast. Worked

three stations in Venezuela as well as stations in J6, PJ4 and HI (Dominican Republic, not Hawaii!).

"Did you know that in the past 9 years on 77% of the May 29 dates there was E-Skip between the Eastern USA and Europe, and 66% of the days on May 30th?

"Check out this and other very interesting Es data from Kevin, VE3EN:

"http://www.solarham.net/6m/data.htm

"Lots of 6M ops in the Eastern U.S. will have their beams on Europe today. The Es season has begun."

If you would like to make a comment or have a tip for our readers, email the author at, k7ra@....

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service web page at, http://arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals. For an explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin, see http://arrl.org/the-sun-the-earth-the-ionosphere. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at http://arrl.org/w1aw-bulletins-archive-propagation. More good information and tutorials on propagation are at http://k9la.us/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://arrl.org/propagation.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of ARRL bulletins are at http://arrl.org/bulletins.

Sunspot numbers for May 23 through 29 were 117, 99, 107, 92, 87, 75, and 83, with a mean of 94.3. 10.7 cm flux was 134.5, 127.3, 121.3, 120, 110.1, 104.8, and 106.9, with a mean of 117.8. Estimated planetary A indices were 7, 20, 32, 18, 13, 8, and 2, with a mean of 14.3. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 8, 17, 25, 19, 8, 8, and 2, with a mean of 12.4.
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/EX

21252. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-06-01 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21252

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:Issued: 2013 Jun 01 1259 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30601
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 01 Jun 2013, 1206UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 01 Jun 2013 until 03 Jun 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Minor storm expected (A>=30 or K=5)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 01 Jun 2013 10CM FLUX: 102 / AP: 053
PREDICTIONS FOR 02 Jun 2013 10CM FLUX: 102 / AP: 015
PREDICTIONS FOR 03 Jun 2013 10CM FLUX: 102 / AP: 003
COMMENT:During the past 24 hours an M1.0 flare erupted from Catania sunspot group
90 (NOAA AR 1760) at 20:00 UT on May 31. This was associated with type II
(speed of 1393 km/s) and type IV radio bursts. No associated strong CMEs
were observed at that time. CACTus detected a partial halo CME on May 31
associated with a broad filament eruption on the north (oriented from NE to
SW). It involves two successive CMEs: one with signatures in LASCO at 11:48
UT and one starting at 17:24 UT. Both CMEs mainly have a North-ward
oriented component and are not oriented to the Earth. C-class flaring
activity is expected and there exits a slight chance for an M-class flare.
Biggest candidates are Catania sunspot groups 88 and 90. A shock was
observed in the solar wind speed on May 31 around 15:30 UT. The speed went
up from around 350 km/s to around 650 km/s and also corresponds to a jump
in the solar wind temperature and density. On June 1, the interplanetary
magnetic field reached a magnitude around 20 nT with Bz component varying
between -20 and +15 nT. This is related to the arrival of a corotating-
interaction region (CIR) related to the coronal hole (CH). The K index has
reached storm levels (K up to 6 measured at Dourbes). We expect the minor
storm conditions to continu for today activity will decrease to unsettled
to active conditions tomorrow.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 044, BASED ON 14 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 31 May 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 073
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 102
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 044
AK WINGST : 012
ESTIMATED AP : 011
ESTIMATED ISN : 039, BASED ON 31 STATIONS.
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NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
31 1952 2000 2006 N13E43 M1.0 SB 90/1760 II/2IV/1
END

21253. Splicing wire in a dipole question

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-06-01 21:58:23 UTC
From: John Geiger (AF5CC)
Topic: 21253 Message: 21253

My dipole had an unfortuate encounter with a neighbor's tree branch on Wednesday evening during a storm, and is now going to require some repair or replacing. One option is to fix it by splicing a few pieces of copper wire together. This is the cheap option. However, could this cause problems later on? I am wondering if the junctions of the wire could corrode and start acting like a diode, throwing out RFI all over the place?

Could this happen, or is splicing copper wire in a dipole usually ok?

73 John AF5CC

21254. Re: [DX-IS] Splicing wire in a dipole question

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-06-01 22:08:00 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 21253 Message: 21254

On 6/1/2013 6:58 PM, John Geiger (AF5CC) wrote:
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> 73 John AF5CC
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John,

I've been doing this for 27 years. Works A-OK. I almost always
use bare wire, not insulated, for dipoles, but both will work.

I used to solder them together at the splice point, but in the past
8-10 years I just twist them together with a pair of pliers. I make a
strong mechanical connection with quite a few twists, but no solder.
Why? Because in years past I found subsequent breaks occurred at or
near the solder joint. My theory is that the heat from soldering made
the copper wire brittle. Since I stopped soldering, I have had zero
breaks anywhere close to the splice.

None of my dipoles, soldered or not, have ever exhibited any diode
like effects.

73, Paul VE1DX

21255. Re: [DX-IS] Splicing wire in a dipole question

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-06-01 22:52:47 UTC
From: John Geiger (AF5CC)
Topic: 21253 Message: 21255

Hi Paul,

Thanks for the feedback. Glad to hear it will work ok. I took some sandpaper to it to get the oxidation off of it, and overlapped a few inches on each wire to splice them together.

73 John AF5CC

----- Original Message -----
From: Paul M Dunphy
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Saturday, June 01, 2013 10:08 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Splicing wire in a dipole question

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73, Paul VE1DX

21256. M0RSE

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-06-01 23:32:06 UTC
From: Derek Wills
Topic: 21256 Message: 21256

This call was going to be used during the recent FOC 75th anniversary event, but I never heard it or saw any spots for it. It's been aired before (I worked it last century) and it would have been fun to use it again. Anyone know why it wasn't used?

Derek aa5bt, g3nmx

21257. Re: [DX-IS] M0RSE

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-06-01 23:47:22 UTC
From: donhall161
Topic: 21256 Message: 21257

Derek,

My log shows one QSO with M0RSE on 5/14 at 1954Z on 21mHz.

73 Don k5AQ

21258. Re: [DX-IS] Splicing wire in a dipole question

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-06-02 07:29:40 UTC
From: John P.
Topic: 21253 Message: 21258

I have spliced MANY times.
Twist the copper in opposite directions and then solder it well. Finally wrap it well with electrical tape.
Mine has stayed up for years.
John - WA2HIP

--- On Sat, 6/1/13, John Geiger (AF5CC) <af5cc@...> wrote:

From: John Geiger (AF5CC) <af5cc@...>
Subject: [DX-IS] Splicing wire in a dipole question
To: OKtraders@yahoogroups.com, DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, okdxa@...
Date: Saturday, June 1, 2013, 5:58 PM

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neighbor's tree branch on Wednesday evening during a storm, and is now going to
require some repair or replacing. One option is to fix it by splicing a
few pieces of copper wire together. This is the cheap option.
However, could this cause problems later on? I am wondering if the
junctions of the wire could corrode and start acting like a diode, throwing out
RFI all over the place?

Could this happen, or is splicing copper wire in a
dipole usually ok?

73 John AF5CC

21259. Re: [DX-IS] M0RSE

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-06-02 12:48:20 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 21256 Message: 21259

On 6/1/2013 8:32 PM, Derek Wills wrote:
> This call was going to be used during the recent FOC 75th
> anniversary event, but I never heard it or saw any spots
> for it. It's been aired before (I worked it last century)
> and it would have been fun to use it again. Anyone know
> why it wasn't used?
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I can't give you an exact amount of air time, but it was on at
least 3 times during the month of May. I worked it on:

2013-05-02 -- 17M
2013-05-14 -- 15M
2013-05-17 -- 20M

The only other time I worked that call was in 2010 for another
special event.

73, Paul VE1DX

21260. Re: [DX-IS] Splicing wire in a dipole question

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-06-02 12:58:48 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 21253 Message: 21260

On 6/2/2013 4:29 AM, John P. wrote:
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> Twist the copper in opposite directions and then solder it well.
> Finally wrap it well with electrical tape.
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>
> John - WA2HIP
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If it is a bare wire outside, say a 40M dipole for example, why tape the solder joint? To keep water off of the dissimilar metals to reduce the likelihood of corrosion?

I've become convinced the only place to solder them is at the centre conductor. I believe the heat does make at least some copper alloys brittle. I have never had a non-soldered splice break. Even a 160M inverted vee, and that's a lot of weight with ~132 feet of #14 gauge stranded wire on either side. It worked over 200 countries. Has one non-soldered splice on one leg. The end support ropes on either end have become rotten over the years and needed to be replaced, but the wire is still radiating . . . I think. It's so noisy on the low bands this time of year I don't rarely listen below 40M. Here it is 20-30 over static crashes from about April until mid November.

73, Paul VE1DX

21261. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-06-02 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21261

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:Issued: 2013 Jun 02 1155 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30602
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 02 Jun 2013, 1106UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 02 Jun 2013 until 04 Jun 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Active conditions expected (A>=20 or K=4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 02 Jun 2013 10CM FLUX: 109 / AP: 019
PREDICTIONS FOR 03 Jun 2013 10CM FLUX: 112 / AP: 003
PREDICTIONS FOR 04 Jun 2013 10CM FLUX: 112 / AP: 001
COMMENT:Solar activity was low during the past 24 hours. A C1.8 class flare erupted
at 5:22 UT from NOAA AR 1762, a new region that emerged in the southern
solar hemisphere. NOAA AR 1762 has beta configuration of the photospheric
magnetic field. C-class flaring activity is expected for the next 48
hours. The current solar wind speed reaches values up to 750 km/s. The
magnitude of the interplanetary magnetic field decreased to 5 nT with a
Bz-component fluctuating between -5 and +5 nT. The current geomagnetic
active conditions (K=3 to 4) are expected to continue today and to decrease
tomorrow to quiet or unsettled.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 051, BASED ON 14 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 01 Jun 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 106
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 046
AK WINGST : 040
ESTIMATED AP : 048
ESTIMATED ISN : 044, BASED ON 20 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21262. Re: [DX-IS] M0RSE

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-06-02 16:17:38 UTC
From: Jay Musikar
Topic: 21256 Message: 21262

Paul is absolutely correct.

I worked them:

9 May --- 15M
19 May ---20M

As is the case in many instances, you have to be in the right place at the right time.

73,
Jay/AF2C

--- On Sun, 6/2/13, Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@ve1dx.net> wrote:

From: Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...>
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] M0RSE
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Sunday, June 2, 2013, 8:48 AM

On 6/1/2013 8:32 PM, Derek Wills wrote:

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> anniversary event, but I never heard it or saw any spots

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special event.

73, Paul VE1DX

21263. Re: [DX-IS] M0RSE

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-06-02 17:34:31 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 21256 Message: 21263

On 6/1/2013 8:32 PM, Derek Wills wrote:
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> anniversary event, but I never heard it or saw any spots
> for it. It's been aired before (I worked it last century)
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Derek,

Just got as preliminary count. M0RSE made 6,583 QSOs during the
month of May 2013.

73, Paul VE1DX

21264. Re: [DX-IS] M0RSE

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-06-02 17:40:05 UTC
From: Derek Wills
Topic: 21256 Message: 21264

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> month of May 2013.
> 73, Paul VE1DX

Thanks - all the reports seem to be in about the first half of
May, and the call certainly wasn't around on HF near the end
when I listened around for all the FOC stations. It could
have been used on VHF too, I suppose, and only spotted from
Europe (I exclude EU cluster spots).

I'm glad it was used - it's a cute call, along with ones
like EE5E that you just have to work if you hear them.

Derek aa5bt

21265. Re: M0RSE

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-06-02 18:04:36 UTC
From: John Becker
Topic: 21256 Message: 21265

Worked at 1331Z 5/27 on 20CW. Numerous spots on DX Summit during May.

73,

John, K9MM

21266. Re: [DX-IS] M0RSE

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-06-02 18:06:09 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 21256 Message: 21266

On 6/2/2013 2:40 PM, Derek Wills wrote:
>> Just got as preliminary count. M0RSE made 6,583 QSOs during the
>> month of May 2013.
>> 73, Paul VE1DX
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> Derek aa5bt
>

SE5E is cute too. It's the contest call of SM5AJV.

I think the reason for your not hearing M0RSE is simply distance and some days in May when condx were less than stellar. Look at where Halifax is . . . I have a completely over-water path to the UK, and it isn't that far in terms of DX from here to there. Texas is at least one hop farther, possibly two, and a lot of it is over land.

I don't know the EU vs NA breakdown of the stations worked, but it was all CW and I doubt if it was used on VHF. Maybe a bit on 6M. G3SWH is the QSL manager and he'd have all the details of when and where it was used.

73, Paul VE1DX

21267. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1114

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-06-02 18:09:07 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 21267 Message: 21267

SB DX @ WW < KB8NW $OPDX.1114
Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin No. 1114

The Ohio/Penn DX PacketCluster
DX Bulletin No. 1114
BID: $OPDX.1114
June 3, 2013
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 26th-May, through Sunday, 2nd-June there were 233 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3B9, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5B, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5U, 5W, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8Q, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9U, 9V, 9Y, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C6, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FH, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HC8, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J6, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JX, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OJ0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ5, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S2, S5, S7, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV/a, SV5, SV9, T32, T5, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TR, TT, TU, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V6, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK9N, VP2E, VP2V, VP5, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XW, XX9, XZ, YA, YB, YI, YJ, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, Z8, ZA, ZB, ZD7, ZD8, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS, ZS8

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

3D2, FIJI. Just a reminder that by the time you read this Harry, AA2WN, will be active as 3D2WN from Fiji until June 7th. The main purpose of the trip is scuba diving, but he will be active when he is not diving.

Activity will be mostly on 20 and 17 meters using CW, SSB and possibly some digital modes. He will use an IC706MKII with 100 watts into a dipole. QSL via AA2WN and LoTW.

60 METERS. Bernard, F9IE, is now active as F9IE/CT7 from Algarve (WW Loc. IM67ge), Portugal. He has worked a few UK stations and is running 100 watts to a dipole inverted Vee, apex 6 / 7m . He'll be there for about 2 weeks. Suggested frequencies are: CW - 5405 and 5373 kHz
SSB - 5403.5 and 5371.5 kHz

6V7, SENEGAL. Luc, F5RAV, will once again be active as 6V7T from Le Calao Resort, La Somome, between October 9-17th. He will be operating from Jean-Francois, 6W7RV, QTH. Activity will be on SSB and PSK31, and on 40-10 meters (including 17 and 12m with a dipole only). A side trip to N'gor Island (AF-045) is planned for three days during this period. QSL via only direct to his home callsign. See details on QRZ.com. Also, visit his BLOG page at: http://f5rav.free.fr

9G, GHANA. Hans, PB2T, will be active as 9G5AA from Ghana between June 2-7th. Bands and modes of activity were not provided. PLEASE NOTE: The callsign 9G5AA was reissued to PB2T in 2013 - previous operations were all by members of the Voodoo Contest Group. QSL only via PB2T.

9X, RWANDA. Kiyo, JR1IZM/9X0AM, is once again back in Kigali because of his work. However, his QSL Manager JO1CRA states there may not be any operations due to his work load.

C8, MOZAMBIQUE (Update). An international team of operators will be active as C82DX from Xai Xai (WW Loc KG64) between October 15-22nd. Operators mentioned are Doug/N1DG, Tom/N4XP, Jose/CT1EEB, Franz/DJ9ZB, Max/I8NHJ, Mike/N6MZ, Ray/N9JA, Dave/WB4JTT, Charles/W6OAT, Chris/ZS6EZ (C92Z), Tjerk/ZS6P (C91TJL) and Christian/ZS6RI. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. Suggested frequencies are:
CW - 1826.5, 3523, 5405, 7023, 10103, 14023, 18079, 21023, 24894 and 28023 kHz
SSB - 3790, 5403.5, 7082, 14185, 18140, 21285, 24955 and 28485 kHz
RTTY - 3580, 7035, 10142, 18099, 21080, 24912 and 28080 kHz
6M - 50107/CW and 50107/SSB

No QSL route has been mentioned yet. According to their Web page (which is now functional) on May 29th: "In October a group of experienced DX operators will endeavor to put as many of you into our log on 160 and 80 meters as possible. We will operate on the HF bands during daylight hours, but our purpose is to meet the large demand on the aforementioned bands. Please visit this website as the operation gets closer for further details." The C82DX Web page is now available at: http://c82dx.com

CY0, SABLE ISLAND. Murray, WA4DAN, informs OPDX: ""The CY0P DXpedition team is pleased to announce that Rick, AI5P, has joined the team. Rick has operated from more than 70 DXCC countries and adds a second CW operator to the team. The CY0P DXpedition is scheduled for October 1-11th. Pre-parations are right on schedule. The team has received three new mono-band yagi antennas for the effort. Gary, VE1RGB, ordered all new coaxial cables

and will be testing those this summer".

DXCC NEWS (1984 DXpedition Approved). The ARRL has finally granted DXCC credit for contacts made with the TI9CCC expedition to Cocos Island in 1984./(Source: CQ Magazine Email Received May 31 2013)

FY, GUYANA (Possible IOTA Op). Christian, F5UII, wil be active as FY/F5UII from the radio club station FY5KE in Kourou City between June 5-14th. Activity will be on the HF bands on SSB. He suggests to look for him during the weekday mornings about 1000-1100z and after 2100z. Possibly during the weekend of June 8-9th, Christian will try be active from Royale Islands (SA-020)with a multiband wire antenna which will allow him to be active on 80-10 meters SSB. This activity is not yet certain. For more details and updates, visit: http://www.f5uii.net/en
Christian also has a Twitter account: https://twitter.com/f5uii

H44, SOLOMON ISLANDS (IOTA Op/Update to OPDX.1103/1104/1105). Just a reminder that by the time you read this, operators Ralph/5W0W/H44RK and Maggie/H44MK (the only local YL Ham from Sikiana) will switch their callsigns to H44IOTA for their upcoming IOTA tour which has started on June 1st. Operators Stan/SQ8X, Dom/SQ9KWW and Tom/WL7HP will join them. Current activity is on Liapari (OC-149). The tentative dates for each island is as follows, but may vary due to the nature of the tour. Here is their announced schedule:
June 1-4th - Liapari Island (OC-149) "now on!!"
June 6-8th - Russell Islands (OC-168)
June 10-13th - Florida Islands (OC-158)
June 17-24th - Stewart Island (OC-285) **
July 1-7th - Nendo Island (OC-100)
July 9-12th - Vanikolo/Utupua (OC-163)
July 14-16th - Reef Islands (OC-065)

** Of special interest to IOTA chasers is Stewart Island (OC-285) having NEVER been activated.

Activity will be on 80-10 meters using CW and SSB. See OPDX.1104 for frequencies. All QSL requests are via QSL Manager Rex Turvin, NR6M. For updates it is suggested to watch: http://www.qrz.com/db/H40RK
The group now has a Web, Twitter and FaceBook page at:
http://www.h44iota.com
https://twitter.com/h44iota
https://www.facebook.com/pages/H44-IOTA-DXpedition/136003426577924

HK0/S, SAN ANDRES ISLAND. Members of the "DX Friends" will activate San Andres Island (NA-033) sometime at the end of October. Operators mentioned are Alberto/EA1SA, Toni/EA5RM (Team Leader), Roberto/EA2RY, Manolo/EA7AJR, Jose/EA7KW, Fabrizio/IN3ZNR, Alain/F6ENO, Tony/F8ATS, Bernard/F9IE and Valery/RG8K. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY, with at least 4 stations on at the same time on different bands and modes. Suggested frequencies are:
CW - 1824, 3524, 7004, 10104, 14024, 18074, 21024, 24894 and 28024 kHz
SSB - 1845, 3780, 7065/7160, 14195, 18145, 21295, 24945 and 28494 kHz

RTTY - 7035, 10140, 14080, 18100, 21080, 24921 and 28080 kHz
6m - 50105/CW and 50115/SSB

As of press time, no callsign has been announced. QSL via EA5RM direct (see Web page). You can use the OQRS (see Web page) for direct and Bureau cards. More details should be forthcoming. Visit their Web page at: http://www.dxfriends.com/SanAndres2013

IOTA NEWS.....
AS-008. Take, JI3DST, will be active as JI3DST/1 from Shikine Shima (WLOTA 2267, JCG-3210) between July 26-29th. Activity will include an entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th. Take might also use the callsign JI3DST/JI1 during his stay on the island. QSL via his home callsign by the Bureau (preferred). For more details and updates, visit his Blog page at: http://blog.goo.ne.jp/ji3dst

AS-085. (Update) Members from the Korea Contest Club will be active as D85C from Chongsan Island (WLOTA 1602, HLFF-015) between June 6-9th. Operators mentioned are Jeon/DS1EVQ, Han/DS2GOO, Park/DS3GLW, Rew/DS4NYE, Yang/DS4CDA, Kang/HL1CR, Rocky/HL1VAU and a few others. Look for some operators to possibly sign homecall/4 for private objects (QSL via their home callsign). QSL D85C via DS4NYE, by the Bureau or direct. No eQSL. They will update log daily to ClubLog. For more information and possible updates, visit: http://www.d9k.org/xe/d85c

AS-146. Ma, BA4MY, will be active as B4/BA4MY from Jiming Dao Island (WLOTA 2489) in the Chengshan Jiao area, Weihai Prefecture, Shandong Province, China, between July 21-29th. Activity will be on all HF bands and modes, but will also include an entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th) using the callsign BY4IB. QSL both callsigns via BA4EG, direct or by the Bureau. Also, QSL via LoTW or eQSL.

EU-043. Operators Pierre/SB6A, Rolf/SM6IQD, Sten/SM6MIS, Rick/SM6U, Tomas/SM6XMY and Janne/SM6YOF will be active as 7S6W from Vinga Island (WLOTA 1517, SMFF-3495, SWA-163) between June 6-9th. They plan to have 3 stations on the air, and they will focus on the higher bands. PLEASE NOTE: All QSL backlogs from last year's operation has been taken care of this spring. QSL via SM6MIS, by the Bureau is preferred. Log will be uploaded to LoTW and eQSL. For information and updates, visit: http://sm6.se/7s6w

EU-051. Operators Stefano/IK6JRI, Fred/IK7JWX, Vincenzo/IZ8LFI, Leopoldo/I8LWL and Davide/IT9DFI will be active as IE9/IK6JRI from Ustica Island (WW. Loc. JM68OQ) between July 24-29th. Activity will include the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th), but before and after the contest look for operations on 30/17/12 meters digital modes and 6 meter SSB. QSL via IK6JRI, direct or by the Bureau.

EU-066. Victor, UA1OEY, will be active as UA1OEY/p from the Solovetsky Islands between June 3-13th. Activity will be on the HF bands using CW, SSB, PSK and RTTY. QSL via his home callsign.

EU-076. German operators Georg/DL3YAT, Andy/DL5AND, Vincent/DL6II and Ben/DO1BEN will use the Norwegian Ringsjoen Contest Club (RCC) callsign LA5O from Austvågøy Island (part of Lofoten Island Group and located in front of north Norwegian coast) between June 8-14th. Activity will be on all HF bands and possibly 60 meters. QSL via DO1BEN, by the Bureau (preferred) or direct. QSL also via LoTW, HRDLog, Clublog and eQSL. For more details see: http://www.do1ben.de/index.php?page=LA5O

EU-128. Jan-Henrik, DG8HJ, will be active as homecall/p from Fehmarn Island (DID O-001, WLOTA 0637) between July 6-21st. Activity will be on the HF bands, propagation allowing. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau

EU-171. Tom, DL4VM, will be active as OZ/DL4VM from Vendsyssel-Thy/ Nordjylland Island (DIA NJ-001) between now and June 15th. Activity will be holiday style on the HF bands. QSL via his home callsign, by the Bureau or direct.

NA-144. Bodo, DF8DX, will be active as KT3Q/6 from Anacapa Island (USI CA-002S, WLOTA 1300, WWFF KFF-014, Ventura County, CA) between July 19-21st. Activity will be on the HF bands, CW only, using 100 watts into a vertical antenna. QSL via DF8DX, by the Bureau or direct.

NA-181. Operators Klaus/VE7KDU and Frank/VE7DP will try to activate the Estevan Islands as homecall/7 between June 7-9th. The operation will take place from a sheltered cove on Barnard Island; it is located about 80 miles west/south-west of the nearest accessible town. Reaching their destination will depend on local weather and sea conditions. They will be active on 30-15 meters using CW and SSB. A brief activity (less than 24 hours) from one of the qualifying islands in the NA-061 group, immediately before or after NA-181 is also a possibility.

OC-109. Operators John/YB5NOF and Anton/YB5QZ plan to activate Natuna Selatan between October 18-21st (tentative dates). Callsign is to be announced later. More details are forthcoming.

OC-122. Operators John/YB5NOF and Anton/YB5QZ plan to activate Tambelan Island between November 15-18th (tentative dates). Callsign is to be announced later. More details are forthcoming.

SA-047. Members of the CMDXGroup will be active as PR5C Mel Island between October 26-30th. Operators mentioned are Alex/PP5ALE, Martins/PU5UAI, Evan/PU5SVE, Anadre/PY5EW, Fabio/PY5FAB, Jose/PY5JAP, Arthur/PY5VC, Joe/PY5XH and Junior PY5ZW. Activity will be on 160/80/40/20/15/10/6 meters using CW and SSB. They

will have four radios (1x FT2000 and 3x FT897D) with three
700w amps. QSL direct to PU5SVE. All QSOs will be confirmed
via LoTW and eQSL. For more details and updates, visit:
http://www.pr5c.qsl.br

ISWL CALLSIGNS (For June). The following ISWL club callsigns will be
used throughout the month of June 2013:

GX4BJC/A - Operated from Great Missenden, in Buckinghamshire, by John,
G8XTJ (ISWL Vice President). (WAB Square SP80 - England,
IOTA EU-005 and WLOTA LH-1841)

MX1SWL/A - Operated /A from Hartford, in Cambridgeshire, by Tom, G3RPV.
(/A WAB Square TL27 - England, IOTA EU-005 and WLOTA LH-1841)

ALL QSLs will be handled by Herbie, G6XOU, and NOT the individual
operator. The I.S.W.L. is a member of the European PSK Club. All QSL
info is on <www.iswl.org.uk> or <www.qrz.com> or via <www.eQSL.cc>.
NO LoTW. I.S.W.L. Awards are available to all Hams and SWLs, see
<www.iswl.org.uk> for full details. The eQSL.cc cards ARE welcomed for
their awards.

J6, ST. LUCIA. Bill, K9HZ, will once again be active as J68HZ from his
villa at Labrelotte Bay, Castries, St. Lucia (NA-108, WLOTA L-1336)
between June 8-22nd. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and
RTTY. There will be a special emphasis on 160 and 80 meters on all modes.
His equipment will consist of an Elecraft K3, a 3 element beam for 20-6
meters and wire antennas for 160-30 meters. QSL via his home callsign.
He does use the LoTW and eQSL. ADDED NOTE: Bill is working towards his
WAS on several modes and bands, so he prefers cards.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (June 3-9th)....
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Jun/04th AN Jun/07th AN Jun/09th AN
Jun/05th AN

SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS/INDEXES AND GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE
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NORMALITY GEOMAG K Values Alpha
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AN - Above Normal Quiet K=0-1 0-7
HN - High Normal Unsettled K=2 8-15
LN - Low Normal Active K=3 16-29
BN - Below Normal Minor Storm K=4 30-49
DIS - Disturbed Major Storm K=5 50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed Severe Storm K=6-9 100-400

KH8, AMERICAN SAMOA (Update to OPDX.1110). John Plenderleith, 9M6XRO,
will be joining operators Aki/ZL1GO (JE4EKO), Masahiro/JH3PRR, Kip/W6SZN
and Jacky/ZL3CW (F2CW/WE3B) to be active using the special event callsign
N8A from the Turtle and Shark Lodge, Village of Vaitogi, on the southeast
coast of Tutuila Island (OC-045, USI AS007S, WLOTA 4385) between November

12-27th. Activity will be on the HF bands, 160-10 meters, with a signif-
icant effort on 160 meters. See OPDX.1110 for more details. QSL via ZL3CW.
The N8A Web page is now available online at: http://www.n8a.eu

LX, LUXEMBOURG. Marc, ON7SS/OO9O, will be active as LX/OO9O from Dillingen
between June 17-20th June. Activity will be focused on 30 meters CW and
PSK. QSL via the Bureau, eQSL and LoTW.

PJ4, BONAIRE. Armin, DL1DI, will be active as PJ4D from Bonaire (SA-006,
WLOTA LH-1279) between June 22nd and July 10th. He will be there on
holiday. Look for more details to be forthcoming.

PS2013, BRAZIL (Special Event). Look for special event station PS2013CCB
to be active between June 15-30th. Activity will be on 40-10 meters using
CW, SSB and the Digital modes. Operations are to celebrate the FIFA
Confederations Cup Brasil event. QSL via PS7AB, only via the Bureau,
LoTW, EQSL or Bureau E-mail request <ps7ab@yahoo.com>. SWL request are
welcome. Please, "=> NOT <=" direct QSL.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (For May 26th and June 2nd)

4L8A via K1BV HI3/N2YDD via N2YDD PJ6A via N4NX
4O7TC via UA3TCJ (d) HI3EPR via ON4IQ R13EPC via RA4UDC
7X5KBS via EA7FTR HL2ZBD/3 via JK3IJQ R230CF via RK6AX
7X5QB via EA7FTR HP1/IQ6CC via IZ4SUC R2013FF via RX3F
8S0HRA via SK0QO I/HB9ETM/P via IZ1MLV (d) RA4HKM/0 via RW4HW
9A5D via 9A1BHI IB9T via IT9TQH RN3F via UA3DQK
9A7T via 9A2EU ID9/DD0VR via DD0VR RT27WW via RT4RO
9A203GS via 9A5F II0FTC via IQ0FB SC3N via EA8CN
A65BD via G5LP II1IASR via IZ5JLF SD7SUB via SM7EYO
B7M via BG7LHY II1ITR via IQ1LM SJ0X via SM6JSM
BY5CD via BD4HF II4BTK via IQ4FE SJ2W via SM2LIY (L/d)
CE3CT via EA5KB II5CC via IZ4SUC SK3W via SM5DJZ
CR3A via EA5GL IQ2BG via IK2AHB SN5X via SP5XVY
CR3L via DJ6QT IT9/N0TG via N0TG SV/DH7IF/P via DH7IF
CR5OIT via CT1FHI (d) J28NC via F5RQQ SV3/SV1NN via SV1NN
CS2C via OK1RF JT1E via JT1DA SV8/DK6SX via DK6SX
CS5DFG via CS5NRA (d) JW/DK8FD via DK8FD T32AZ via KH6QJ
CT7/CU3EJ/P via CU3EJ JW7XM via LA7XM TA1/JH0CJH via JH0CJH
DT60US via WX8C K8F via W8CDB TA7/R3GM via RA1QQ
ED1R via EC1KR KH2L via W3HNK TC7C via RA1QQ
EE8X via W2GR LV6E via AI6V TM0R via F5GGL
EF5A via EA5DY LY6A via LY2BM TM6ENO via F6ENO
EF8M via UA3DX LZ7O via LZ1ONK TM6JUN via F6KFW
EG4URT via EA4FXF LZ9EPC via LZ1NJS TM50QF via F6KSU
EG5SUB via EA5HEW LZ1534GWS via LZ1KCP UA9FAR via EA7FTR
EG8CRC via EA8CUG M3W via G4FAL UF6VW via R3DO
EG9CGM via EA9AY MM/IZ5JMX/P via IZ5JMX UN5J via W3HNK or RW6HS (d)
EH2URD via EA2URD MM3N via GM4SID UN9GD via DL8KAC
EI0W via EI9GTB N5E via AD5WB UT7U via UT7UV

EJ/G7SQW via G7SQW NP2KW via EB7DX UZ0U via UY5ZZ
EJ/ON4TA/P via ON4TA NP3A via WD8CW UZ2M via US0LW
EK0W via EK8AA OF3I via OH3BHL (d) VE3/WB8BZK via WB8BZK
EO7U via UY2UA OK/US3LX via US3LX VE9MCC via VE9HF
ER3WFF via ER3GS OL7C via OK1KVK WW2IND via W9IH
ER6A via ER1LW OM60DAT via OM4CI YN3M via W0MM
ES4UY via UY5ON OP7V via ON7VA YO3KIA via YO3JR
FG4NN via NI5DX OZ/DL2GLA via DL2GLA YT4W via YU1DW
FK8CE via LZ1JZ OZ/DM5MA/P via DM5MA ZB54FK via ZB2FK
HG3IPA via HA3JB P3N via RW3RN ZD8KFC via NI5DX
HG3M via HA3MY P4/W1XP via W1XP ZW7R via PR7ZAJ
HG8U via HA8RM PI4DX via PD1DX ZX5J via AI4U
(e) eQSL only (d) direct only (B) Bureau only (L) LoTW only

QSL EM68J via LoTW. Direct QSLs via K2PF or OQRS ClubLog, and Bureau QSL via UU2JQ. This was a special event station to commemorate the 68th anniversary of the victory in the great Patriotic War.

NEW LoTW Software Available (Update): As of May 30th, TQSL 1.14.1 is now ready to download. For more details and the download for the fixed version, go to: http://www.arrl.org/logbook-of-the-world

The GoList reports: "Buzz, NI5DX, is now the QSL Manager for Tim, 5R8Z. Tim is a missionary in Madagascar and has very limited internet service. He has been uploading his log to LoTW when internet service allowed but had not been sending printed cards because of the cost involved and postal difficulties from Madagascar. Tim will return to South Carolina for 6 months beginning in June. During that time he will try to get his paper log transferred into a computer log program. This will take some time as it is not at the top of his priority list while home. Buzz and Tim will also design a card that will be printed by UX5UO."

The GoList reports: "Buzz, NI5DX, is now the QSL Manager for Iwan, YE1NZ. Iwan, whose home call is W7NZ, will be working in Indonesia for Marriott for at least 2 years. He will forward his past logs to Buzz immediately. Iwan has some QSL cards he is presently using. If the cost to ship a supply to Texas is not too expensive, he will send some to Buzz. If that costs too much, the two will design a new card that will have to be printed. It will take about 6 weeks before Buzz has cards in hand to reply to requests."

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 5B75FOC, 5W1SA, 9M2TO, AX7CW, FS/G3SXW, GS4FOC, HK3C, HK3W, JA2FJP, JA7BME, KH6LC, OF3I, OX3LX, P29NO, PJ7MF, RA0FF, RA6HJA, RA/KE5JA, RA/WX8C, T8CW, VK6DXI, VP2MRV, Z81X and ZM4M

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3D2GC, 6V7S, A3EAQ, CW90A, D4C, EP3SMH, FR4NT, H44G, H44MY, H70ORO, JX9JKA, LU5FC, PT0S, T2GM, T2YL and V63MY

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 6W/DL2RMC and HR5/NQ5W

TN5, REPUBLIC OF CONGO. Once again in close cooperation between the DAGOE Foundation, Mercy Ships and 4 Dutch radio amateurs, planning is being done for a DXpedition to Republic of Congo. The Team will stay in Pointe Noire between September 28th and October 11th. This is the group's fourth such operation/project. For their previous projects in Liberia (5L2MS), Benin (TY1MS) and Sierra Leone (9L5MS) the team was very honored and proud to be rewarded in 2013 for their achievements with the Yasme Excellence Award 2012. The team will use the callsign TN5MS for this coming activity. Operators mentioned are: Arie/PA3A (CW/SSB), Ad/PA8AD (CW/SSB), Arie/PA3AN (SSB/RTTY) and Marian/PD1AEG. Activity will probably be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. The equipment consists of 3 transceivers and linears. The antennas are verticals for 160-30m and beams for 20-10m. For 160m and 80m extra receiving antennas will be used to improve station reception capability. If conditions allow it and permission is received, they will try to activate 6m. They take special care to listen for remote locations and small stations. The goal of the team is to work as many different stations as possible in the different modes. All donations and surplus from the QSL will be transferred to the Mercy Ships Charity Project. QSL via PA3AWW, by the Bureau or direct (see info on the Web page). Also, QSLs can be requested with a donation via the OQSL request service on the Web page. LoTW will be uploaded 6 months after the DX-pedition when logs are checked. The team is not using eQSL for answering QSL. For more details and updates, visit their Web page at:
http://www.tn5ms.nl/index.php

TU5, IVORY COAST. Dim, F5SWB, will be active as TU5DF from Port-Bouët, Abidjan, starting at the end of June through sometime in October. Activity will be on HF bands, mostly on CW but also on SSB and PSK31 sometimes. QSL via F5SWB. Please include 2 USDs and a SAE to cover mail costs for direct QSL coming from outside of Europe. Please include 1 USD and a SAE to cover mail costs for direct QSLs inside Europe.

UP44, KAZAKHSTAN. Members of the Traveling Radio Amateurs Group are planning to travel to the mountains of Zailiysky Alatau between June 7-8th. The expedition to the "Mountains of Kazakhstan" is the first in Kazakhstan activation mountains «Class E» (peaks altitude from 4000m and more) pursuant to the" Kazakhstan Mountain Award" program. The callsign UP44WFF will be used by operators Arthur/UN6QC, Sergey/ UN6GAO, Victor/UN7GIT and possible other operators. Activity will be on 40-10 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via LoTW, eQSL, by the Bureau or direct (see QRZ.com). The goal of the expedition is to activate the following references:
WMA/UNM-043 - Amangeldy peak, altitude 4010? above sea level (NEW ONE)
WFF/UNFF-005 - Ile-Alatau national Park
WRA/UNR-048 - river Malaya Almatinka
KDA: Q-12 - Karasai district
WW Loc. - MN83MC
For more details, check out the following Web links:
http://un-dx-news.ucoz.com
http://qrz.com/db/UP44WFF

VP2V, BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS. By the time you read this Kevin, K6TOP, will once again be active as VP2V/K6TOP from Tortola, British Virgin Islands (NA-023), until June 6th. Activity will be limited (family vacation) using an ICOM 706 MKII with 100 watts into a 40m vertical, 20/15/10 multiband dipole. Operations will be CW almost exclusively. Operating hours are typically 0100-0300z and 1000-1200z due to family commitments. QSLs via LoTW preferred, log will be uploaded upon return. Kevin states, "When the pileups get difficult, I listen to the edges, so please spread your calls out."

YN, NICARAGUA. "DX-World.net" is reporting that a Spanish team from the Aitana DX Group (ADXG) will be active from the YN2N Shack in Nicaragua between October 1-16th. Operators mentioned are Francisco/EA7FTR, Gen/EA5HPX, Fernando/EA5FX, Javi/EA5KM, Jose/EA1ACP and Carlos/EA1DVY. Activity will be on all bands using CW, SSB and RTTY. Pilot station is Ismael/EA1AZ. Callsign will be announced soon. The team has a Web site which will be running shortly. QSL via EB7DX.

ZP99, PARAGUAY (Special Event). Members of the Radio Club Paraguay Filial Itapua (ZP9EE) will be using the callsign ZP99E for the first time from the local ruins of the Jesuit Missions of La Santísima Trinidad de Paraná and Jesús de Tavarangue between June 12th and July 21st. Operators mentioned are Manu/ZP9MCE, Antero/ZP9CN, Francisco/ZP9GB and Derlis/ZP9DK. Activity will be on 40/30/20/15/10 meters using CW and SSB, with some PSK31. QSL via EA5ZD. Log will be available on QRZ.com and ClubLog.

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21268. Re: [DX-IS] M0RSE

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-06-02 18:43:24 UTC
From: Derek Wills
Topic: 21256 Message: 21268

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> and some days in May when condx were less than stellar. Look at where
> Halifax is . . . I have a completely over-water path to the UK, and it
> isn't that far in terms of DX from here to there. Texas is at least one
> hop farther, possibly two, and a lot of it is over land.
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> 73, Paul VE1DX

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Derek aa5bt

21269. Re: [DX-IS] M0RSE

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-06-02 18:58:39 UTC
From: Roberto Rey
Topic: 21256 Message: 21269

Not so,

I heard and worked M0RSE @21:39 on May 5th. As I recall they were booming into SA and had no pile-up at all. I think its just being there on the right time and place.

73 de HK3CW Rob
----- Original Message -----
From: Derek Wills
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Sunday, June 02, 2013 1:43 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] M0RSE

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> and some days in May when condx were less than stellar. Look at where
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Derek aa5bt

21270. Re: [DX-IS] M0RSE

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-06-02 19:10:37 UTC
From: Derek Wills
Topic: 21256 Message: 21270

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> time and place.
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> 73 de HK3CW Rob

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like K5DX - those show spots way back. Nothing for M0RSE, although
there is one for M0RES on 18088, May 4 that's probably a typo...

73 - Derek aa5bt

21271. Re: [DX-IS] Splicing wire in a dipole question

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-06-02 19:22:02 UTC
From: Pete Michaelis - N8TR
Topic: 21253 Message: 21271

W8JI has an interesting page on splicing wire at:
http://www.w8ji.com/splicing_antenna_wire.htm

I often use the method he describes at the bottom of the page
which does not involve soldering. In the past I found that
splices would break when soldered so I don't solder.

73 Pete - N8TR

At 08:58 AM 6/2/2013, VE1DX wrote:

>I've become convinced the only place to solder them is at the
>centre conductor. I believe the heat does make at least some copper
>alloys brittle. I have never had a non-soldered splice break.

21272. Re: [DX-IS] M0RSE

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-06-02 20:06:55 UTC
From: Roberto Rey
Topic: 21256 Message: 21272

They even qsld via Lot already .. I uploaded and got the confirmation, although I did send by OQRS to get the qsl.
----- Original Message -----
From: Derek Wills
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Sunday, June 02, 2013 2:10 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] M0RSE

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> into SA and had no pile-up at all. I think its just being there on the right
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73 - Derek aa5bt

21273. Re: [DX-IS] M0RSE

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-06-02 22:55:49 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 21256 Message: 21273

On 6/2/2013 5:06 PM, Roberto Rey wrote:
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> They even qsld via Lot already .. I uploaded and got the confirmation,
> although I did send by OQRS to get the qsl.
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It's my understanding that M0RSE and all the G*75FOC calls are already uploaded to LoTW, or will be very soon. The manager is Phil, G3SWH, and he is a strong advocate of LoTW. I *think* all of the special G*75FOC and M0RSE calls I worked were confirmed within a day or two on LoTW.

Paper cards are available as per the directions on their respective QRZ.COM entries.

73, Paul VE1DX

21274. RE: [DX-IS] RE: CQ Idaho

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-06-03 02:57:18 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 21241 Message: 21274

Thanks Iain (and John),

I have emailed WJ9B and will do for these other two.

I have been fairly regularly on K3UK, usually around 1200z+ and 2300z (2300z+ weekends).
I am happy to provide CQ Zone 29 (80 to 6m including WARC bands) in fact I would be happy to work anyone on 6m!
I do CW/SSB/PSK/RTTY/JT65 (I have SSTV but a bit rusty on that mode).

I have now successfully made a DX QSO on 80m JT65 3576Khz so would like to try this to NA your sunrise.

73, Lance - VK6DU

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of iain macdonnell - N6ML
Sent: Friday, 31 May 2013 9:11 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] RE: CQ Idaho

Try N7UVH or N7ESU. At least one of them has been known to hang out on the K3UK LotW sked page.

73,

~iain / N6ML

On Thu, May 30, 2013 at 10:39 PM, Lance Martin <L.Martin@...> wrote:
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> Ok thanks guys,
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> Now I know why I don't have many QSOs with Idaho!
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> Does anyone live in Idaho at all?
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> 73, Lance - VK6DU
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> From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf
> Of Lance Martin
> Sent: Thursday, 30 May 2013 1:05 PM
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> Subject: [DX-IS] CQ Idaho
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> Hey Guys,
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> Need Idaho 20/40m CW LOTW (and digital any band for triple play).
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> Anyone know anyone in Idaho that could help me out?
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> 73, Lance - VK6DU
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Yahoo! Groups Links

21275. One more dipole-balun question

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-06-03 04:07:02 UTC
From: John Geiger (AF5CC)
Topic: 21275 Message: 21275

I had previously said that I had a G5RV type dipole that I made myself. After repairing it today following a run in with a tree branch last Wednesday, I realize that it isn't quite that. It is more of an "off center fed dipole". It isn't the classic "Windom off center fed" where one leg is twice as long as the onther. On my antenna one leg is approximately 50 feet long, and the other leg is around 60 to 65 feet. It is fed with 300 ohm radio shack twin lead-about a 25 foot run, which goes to a 4:1 voltage balun, and then to 75ohm RG-11 coax to the shack.

Given this new revelation, that it is a off center fed dipole, what is now the best balun for the twin lead to coax junction? I am assuming that it isn't quite a balanced antenna, since the legs aren't equal, so how crucial does a balanced to unbalanced (coax feedline) transformer become? My main interest is trying to keep the RF off of the coax shield, although I haven't had any real problems with RFI in the shack.

73 John AF5CC

21276. RE: [DX-IS] Splicing wire in a dipole question

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-06-03 05:16:54 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 21253 Message: 21276

Hi John,

My inverted V has a number of splices in it due to the fact that I used to have it cut for 12 and 17m before I got the SteppIR.

I have often wondered if the joins were making it lossy or even creating a potential for QRM (any sharp edges...)
I have very thin coated wire (enamel) and at the joins I bared and twisted and then soldered and they have lasted 3 years so far, though I don't have trees to content with on my urban block. (block = lot = property = land space).

My inverted V is a home brew 80/40/30 now and I have jumpers with egg insulators on either leg. I use gold plated banana clips that take the weather quite well.

I did see a recent ad. by moonraker on a 80 - 30m OCFD but haven't been able to locate it on the web. Can anyone recommend a commercial wire antenna (dipole/Inv V) that will do 80/4-/30m?

73, Lance - VK6DU

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of John Geiger (AF5CC)
Sent: Sunday, 2 June 2013 5:58 AM
To: OKtraders@yahoogroups.com; DX-IS@yahoogroups.com; okdxa@...
Subject: [DX-IS] Splicing wire in a dipole question

My dipole had an unfortuate encounter with a neighbor's tree branch on Wednesday evening during a storm, and is now going to require some repair or replacing. One option is to fix it by splicing a few pieces of copper wire together. This is the cheap option. However, could this cause problems later on? I am wondering if the junctions of the wire could corrode and start acting like a diode, throwing out RFI all over the place?

Could this happen, or is splicing copper wire in a dipole usually ok?

73 John AF5CC

21277. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-06-03 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21277

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:Issued: 2013 Jun 03 1245 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30603
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 03 Jun 2013, 1206UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 03 Jun 2013 until 05 Jun 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 03 Jun 2013 10CM FLUX: 114 / AP: 012
PREDICTIONS FOR 04 Jun 2013 10CM FLUX: 116 / AP: 008
PREDICTIONS FOR 05 Jun 2013 10CM FLUX: 118 / AP: 006
COMMENT:Six sunspot groups were reported by Catania today. Only two C-class flares
were reported during last 24 hours, and the stronger one was C9.5 flare,
peaking at 07:25 UT on June 03. This long duration flare originated from
the fast emerging Catania sunspot group 92 (NOAA AR 1762) which has at the
moment beta-gama configuration of its photosperic magnetic field, and we
expect that it will produce more C-class and also possibly M-class flares.
The interplanetary magnetic field magnitude is of about 4 nT during last 36
hours. Earth is still inside the fast flow from the coronal hole currently
close to the west solar limb. The solar wind speed is about 700 km/s. The
geomagnetic conditions are quiet and expect to remain so in the following
hours.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 048, BASED ON 14 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 02 Jun 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 111
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : ///
AK WINGST : 016
ESTIMATED AP : 020
ESTIMATED ISN : 052, BASED ON 18 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21278. Info needed on getting 2 IOTA contacts cfm

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-06-03 16:00:37 UTC
From: w4abw
Topic: 21278 Message: 21278

After trying to get these 2 from managers I have struck out.

Anyone have good info on how to obtain cards from YB9GV, OC-150 and BG5BMV, AS-141 ?

many tnx
Al
W4ABW

21279. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-06-04 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21279

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:Issued: 2013 Jun 04 1249 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30604
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 04 Jun 2013, 1206UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 04 Jun 2013 until 06 Jun 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 04 Jun 2013 10CM FLUX: 112 / AP: 010
PREDICTIONS FOR 05 Jun 2013 10CM FLUX: 111 / AP: 006
PREDICTIONS FOR 06 Jun 2013 10CM FLUX: 108 / AP: 006
COMMENT:The flaring activity is rather low with only one C-class flare reported
during last 24 hours. The fast developing Catania sunspot group 92 (NOAA
AR 1762) became even more complex and has currently beta-gama-delta
configuration of its photospehric magnetic field. We expect some C-class
and M-class flaring activity, in particular, from this active region. The
interplanetary magnetic field magnitude is about 4 nT. Earth is still
inside the fast flow, with the solar wind gradually slowing down and
currently amounting about 580 km/s. The low-latitude coronal hole in the
northern hemisphere has completely passed across the central meridian
today. The arrival of the fast solar wind at the Earth, although not very
probable, is expected on late June 6. The geomagnetic conditions are
unsettled to quiet (Dourbes reports K=3 or less), and expect to remain so
in the following hours.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 035, BASED ON 16 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 03 Jun 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 093
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 112
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : ///
AK WINGST : 012
ESTIMATED AP : 012
ESTIMATED ISN : 041, BASED ON 20 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21280. VR on LOTW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-06-05 04:52:34 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 21280 Message: 21280

Hi Guys,

Just going through LOTW and the huge pile of countries I need on digital.
So I am looking for easy ones...and guess what?
Of the umpteen dozen VR2 QSOs not one VR2 confirmation.

So, anyone know a VR2 that does digital and LOTW?

73, Lance - VK6DU (still looking for Idaho LOTW CW).

21281. Re: [DX-IS] VR on LOTW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-06-05 13:21:59 UTC
From: iain macdonnell - N6ML
Topic: 21280 Message: 21281

On Tue, Jun 4, 2013 at 9:52 PM, Lance Martin <L.Martin@...> wrote:
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The only one I have in my log is VR2YYW, and that QSO was in 2009. I
have lots of VR2PX confirmations, but none on digital.

73,

~iain / N6ML

21282. Re: VR on LOTW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-06-05 13:51:21 UTC
From: r_brothers
Topic: 21280 Message: 21282

Not in my log, but VR2VIY uses LoTW and was active on digital earlier this year.

73 Randy K9OR

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, iain macdonnell - N6ML <ar@...> wrote:
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21283. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-06-05 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21283

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:Issued: 2013 Jun 05 1330 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30605
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 05 Jun 2013, 1306UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 05 Jun 2013 until 07 Jun 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Active (M-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 05 Jun 2013 10CM FLUX: 112 / AP: 011
PREDICTIONS FOR 06 Jun 2013 10CM FLUX: 111 / AP: 011
PREDICTIONS FOR 07 Jun 2013 10CM FLUX: 110 / AP: 011
COMMENT:The flaring activity during last 24 hours was of the B-class level, except
M1.3 flare which peaked at 08:57 UT this morning. The flare originated from
the Catania sunspot group 92 (NOAA AR 1762) which still has beta-gama
configuration of its photosperic magnetic field and has therefore potential
for a C-class and M-class flaring. The flare was associated with a partial
halo CME first seen in the SOHO/LASCO C2 field of view at 09:12 UT (this is
also the first image after the data gap), and propagating with the
projected speed of about 300 km/s. From the currently available data it
seems that the bulk of the CME mass was southward oriented. We do not
expect this CME to arrive at the Earth, however the arrival of the CME
associated shock wave is still possible. The interplanetary magnetic
field magnitude is about 4 nT. The solar wind speed is currently about 500
km/s and is still slowly decreasing. The equatorial coronal hole passed the
central meridian today, however not much impact is expected from this small
coronal hole. The geomagnetic conditions are unsettled to quiet (Dourbes
reports K=3 or less), and expect to remain so in the following hours.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 054, BASED ON 19 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 04 Jun 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 064
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 110
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 014
AK WINGST : 011
ESTIMATED AP : 011
ESTIMATED ISN : 035, BASED ON 21 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
05 0814 0857 0926 S30W51 M1.3 SF 79 92/1762 III/1IV/1
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21284. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-06-06 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21284

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:Issued: 2013 Jun 06 1250 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30606
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 06 Jun 2013, 1206UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 06 Jun 2013 until 08 Jun 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Active conditions expected (A>=20 or K=4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 06 Jun 2013 10CM FLUX: 112 / AP: 016
PREDICTIONS FOR 07 Jun 2013 10CM FLUX: 110 / AP: 006
PREDICTIONS FOR 08 Jun 2013 10CM FLUX: 108 / AP: 015
COMMENT:Six sunspot groups were reported by Catania today and non of them was
particularly active, consequently no C-class flares were reported. Catania
sunspot group 92 (NOAA AR 1762) still has beta-gamma-delta configuration of
its photospheric magnetic field. We expect C-class flares and possibly
M-class flares, particularly from this active region. Eruptions and
flaring activity from this active region could be also accompanied with the
particle event, due to the current close-to-the-west-limb position of the
active region. The magnitude of the interplanetary magnetic field started
to elevate at about 02:00 UT this morning and it is currently about 10 nT.
The Bz component of the interplanetary magnetic field is about -5 nT. The
solar wind speed was also slightly increased and it is currently about 500
km/s. These are indications of the arrival of the fast flow from the low-
latitude coronal hole at the northern hemisphere. Due to the arrival of the
fast flow the geomagnetic conditions are active (Dourbes reports K=4). The
current geomagnetic active conditions are expected to continue today and to
decrease tomorrow to quiet or unsettled. The arrival of the fast flow from
the small equatorial coronal hole is expected on June 08.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 051, BASED ON 17 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 05 Jun 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 091
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 109
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 011
AK WINGST : 007
ESTIMATED AP : 007
ESTIMATED ISN : 055, BASED ON 27 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
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END
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21285. ARLD023 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-06-06 21:57:37 UTC
From: jjreisert@...
Topic: 4595 Message: 21285

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BAHAMAS, C6. Operators N2RFA, K2KJI, KC4PX and K2TTT will be QRV as C6ABB, C6ALC, C6APX and C6ATT, respectively, from New Providence Island, IOTA NA-001, from June 8 to 15. Activity will be on 80 to 10 meters using SSB, RTTY, SSTV, PSK31 and JT65. This includes activity in the ARRL June VHF contest. QSL direct to home calls.

CUBA, CO. A group of operators will be QRV as T46A from Cayo Santa Maria Island, IOTA NA-204, from June 13 to 17. Activity will be on the HF bands using CW, SSB and RTTY, possibly with more than one station. QSL direct via EA5GL.

CANARY ISLANDS, EA8. Look for EH8FSJ to be QRV from Lomo Jurgon bei Arucas on Gran Canaria from June 10 to 24. Activity will be on the HF bands. QSL via EA8RKL.

ETHIOPIA, ET. Ken, K4ZW will be QRV from club station ET3AA from June 8 to 10 using mainly CW on the HF bands. QSL via N2OO.

HUNGARY, HA. Special event station HG7DANUBE is QRV during the month of June to celebrate Danube Day, which occurs on June 29. Activity is on the HF bands. QSL via HA7VY.

REPUBLIC OF KOREA, HL. Special event station DT60US is QRV during 2013 to celebrate the 60-year long partnership between South Korea and the USA. QSL via WX8C.

ST. LUCIA, J6. Bill, K9HZ will be QRV as J68HZ from June 8 to 22. Activity will be on 160 to 6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL to home call.

MARIANA ISLANDS, KH0. Tony, JA6CNL will be QRV as KH0N from Saipan, IOTA OC-086, from June 13 to 17. Activity will be on the HF bands. This includes an entry in the upcoming All Asian DX CW contest. QSL to home call.

BULGARIA, LZ. Members of the Radio Club Blagovestnik are QRV as LZ1534GWS to honor the Saint and martyr Georgi Sofiiski. QSL via LZ1KCP.

AUSTRIA, OE. Special event station OE200TH is QRV until June 14 to celebrate the 200th birthday of noted designer and engineer Theophil Hansen. QSL via OE3PVC.

CZECH REPUBLIC, OK. Special event station OL140FIRE is QRV until June 14 to celebrate the 140th jubilee of the local fire brigade in Horni Marsov and the nationwide meeting of firefighters in Litomerice. QSL via operators' instructions.

GREECE, SV. A group of operators will be QRV as SV68FF from Agios Mamas lagoon on June 8 and 9. Activity will be on 80 through 10 meters SSB. QSL via SV2GWY.

UKRAINE, UR. A group of operators are QRV as EM5F from Ochakovskiy Island, IOTA EU-182, until June 9. Activity is on the HF bands and 6 meters. QSL via UR5FAV.

INDONESIA, YB. Operators YB3EDD, YB3VPP, YB3GZS and YB3BOA are QRV as YE3I from Gili Ketapang, IOTA OC-237, until June 9. Activity is on the HF bands. QSL direct via YB3EDD.

GIBRALTAR, ZB. Ernest, ZB2FK is QRV as ZB54FK until June 27 to commemorate The Union of European Football Associations acceptance of Gibraltar as its 54th member. QSL direct to home call.

OPERATION APPROVED FOR DXCC CREDIT. The following operation is approved for DXCC credit: Lakshadweep Islands, VU7KV, May 2013 operation. If you had this contact rejected in a recent submission, send an email to bmoore@... to be placed on the list for an update to your record.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The ARRL June VHF Contest, NCCC RTTY Sprint, NCCC Sprint CW Ladder, HA3NS Sprint Memorial CW Contest, DRCG Long Distance RTTY Contest, VK Shires Contest, Asia-Pacific SSB Sprint, SKCC Weekend CW Sprintathon, Portugal Day Contest, GACW WWSA CW DX Contest and the REF DDFM 6-Meter Contest are all scheduled for this weekend. The NAQCC Straight Key/Bug CW Sprint, CWops Mini-CWT CW Test and RSGB 80-Meter Club CW Championship are all scheduled for June 12. Please see June QST, page 79 and the ARRL and WA7BNM Contest websites for details.
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21286. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-06-07 14:01:03 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21286

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:Issued: 2013 Jun 07 1305 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30607
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 07 Jun 2013, 1306UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 07 Jun 2013 until 09 Jun 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Active conditions expected (A>=20 or K=4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 07 Jun 2013 10CM FLUX: 110 / AP: 029
PREDICTIONS FOR 08 Jun 2013 10CM FLUX: 110 / AP: 014
PREDICTIONS FOR 09 Jun 2013 10CM FLUX: 108 / AP: 012
COMMENT:Solar activity is low with only three C-class flares reported during last
36 hours. The strongest flare reported is currently ongoing C1.5 flare
peaking at 11:51 UT. We expect C-class flares and possibly but not probably
also M-class flares, in particular from the fast growing Catania sunspot
group 96 (NOAA AR 1765). The increase of the interplanetary magnetic field
magnitude (up to 12 nT), and its southward Bz component (up to -10 nT)
starting at about 14:20 UT on June 06, is associated with the arrival of
the magnetic cloud. The solar source of the magnetic cloud is still not
clear, and two possibilities arise; the flareless eruption on June 2 at
about 17:30 UT (at N10W25 as seen from the Earth), and a faint eruption
associated with the C9.5 flare on June 03. The arrival of the magnetic
cloud resulted in active geomagnetic condition which are still in progress
(Durbes reports up to K=5 and NOAA Kp=6). The arrival of the fast flow
from the small equatorial coronal hole is expected on June 08. A CME-
driven shock wave associated with the M1.3 flare on June 05, might be
expected on June 09 producing at most unsettled geomagnetic conditions. We
expect active geomagnetic conditions during following 24 hours.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 034, BASED ON 17 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 06 Jun 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 109
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 041
AK WINGST : 029
ESTIMATED AP : 028
ESTIMATED ISN : 050, BASED ON 21 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
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END

21287. ARLP023 Propagation de K7RA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-06-07 21:16:51 UTC
From: jjreisert@...
Topic: 4627 Message: 21287

SB PROP @ ARL $ARLP023
ARLP023 Propagation de K7RA

ZCZC AP23
QST de W1AW
Propagation Forecast Bulletin 23 ARLP023
>From Tad Cook, K7RA
Seattle, WA June 7, 2013
To all radio amateurs

SB PROP ARL ARLP023
ARLP023 Propagation de K7RA

Solar activity seems to dip back into the doldrums again, with the average sunspot number for the past week (72) lower than any reporting week since Propagation Forecast Bulletin ARLP013, which was for the week of March 21-27. You can go through the recent bulletins at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw-bulletins-archive-propagation and note that two weeks ago we had twice that number, when the average daily sunspot number was 144. From last week, the average dropped more than 12 points from 94.3. Average daily solar flux was down more than 10 points to 107.6.

But tracking the 3-month moving average of daily sunspot numbers, (which is based on calendar months) the three months ending May 31 had a much higher average than the 3 months ending April 30, and in fact more than any trailing three month average since the one ending on January 2012.

At the end of 2011 we saw a rally in solar activity, and with the weak activity in all of 2012 some are suggesting another double-peaked solar cycle. The three month periods centered on July through December 2011 had average sunspot numbers of 63, 79.6, 98.6, 118.8, 118.6 and 110. The first few months of 2012 were weaker, with the 3-month averages centered on January through March at 83.3, 73.7 and 71.2. But now the numbers are trending up. The 3-month averages centered on January through April 2013 were 73.6, 80.7, 85.2 and 106.4.

If you are unfamiliar with moving averages, using our method for the 3-month period centered on March, 2013, we added up all the daily sunspot numbers from February 1 through April 30. The sum was 7,581. We divided by the 89 days in those three months, and got approximately 85.2. For the period centered on April, we added all sunspot numbers from March 1 through May 31, and the sum was 9,792. As there were 92 days in this period, the average rounds off to

106.4.

On June 3 NASA updated their forecast for the peak of the current solar cycle, available at http://solarscience.msfc.nasa.gov/predict.shtml. This differs from a month earlier, when on May 1 they predicted a cycle maximum in Fall 2013 with a smoothed international sunspot number of 66. Now they predict a peak at 67 in Summer 2013. Summer officially begins at the Solstice, two weeks from today, on June 21 at 0504 UTC, which by the way is the Friday before Field Day weekend.

The active geomagnetic days over the past week were June 1-2, when the planetary A index was 49 and 19, the mid-latitude index was 41 and 16, and the high latitude college A index (measured near Fairbanks, Alaska) was 58 and 44. These numbers reflect the concentration of geomagnetic activity toward the poles. The source was an interplanetary shock wave of uncertain origin.

Again as this bulletin is written early Friday morning on the West Coast, we are in a geomagnetic storm, the result of the Earth passing through south-pointing magnetism in the solar wind. There is a possibility on June 8 of getting buffeted again, this time the result of a CME, and possibly two.

The planetary A index was 17 on June 6, with increasing K-index values from 2 to 3 to 4. Now early on June 7 we see planetary K-index of 5 and 6, which is the equivalent to an A index reading of 64. Now after 1200 UTC it dropped to 56.

The Australian Space Forecast center issued a geomagnetic disturbance warning at 0217 UTC on June 7. It reads, "A CME from a disappearing solar filament has arrived earlier than anticipated and is accompanied by a strongly southward pointing magnetic field. This is producing Minor Storm levels of activity in polar regions and may produce Active conditions at mid latitudes over the next 1-2 days." They predict a minor geomagnetic storm today, June 7, and unsettled to active conditions through the weekend, June 8-9.

The latest prediction from USAF/NOAA is for solar flux at 110 on June 7, 105 on June 8-9, 100 on June 10, 95 on June 11-12, 100 and 105 on June 13-14, 120 on June 15-16, 125 on June 17-19, then with flux values bottoming out at 105 on June 24-28, and rising to 125 on July 2 and again on July 14-16.

Predicted planetary A index is 18 on June 7-8, then 10 and 8 on June 9-10, 5 on June 11-20, then 25, 18, 10 and 8 on June 21-24, 5 on June 25-27, then 30, 20, 12, 8, 5, 8, 12, 10 and 5 on June 28 through July 6.

Petr Kolman, OK1MGW predicted a quiet geomagnetic field for June 7 (the prediction was sent around 1900 UTC on June 6), mostly quiet June 8-9, quiet June 10, quiet to unsettled June 11, quiet to active

June 12-14, mostly quiet June 15-17, quiet June 18, quiet to unsettled June 19-20, active to disturbed June 21, quiet to active June 22-23, quiet to unsettled June 24, mostly quiet June 25-26, quiet to active June 27, and active to disturbed June 28-29. You can see quite a difference from the NOAA/USAF prediction in the previous paragraph, but the NOAA forecasters have the advantage of revising their forecast every 24 hours, while OK1HH and OK1MGW only do it once per week.

Bert Cook, K6CSL of Riverbank, California, which is northeast of Modesto in the San Joaquin Valley, wrote to comment about the ARRL Propagation Charts. He finds them useful, but said the monthly charts are never available until well into the new month. I checked and learned these are prepared by the lab at ARRL headquarters, but the delay is due to some technical issues that may not be resolved right away.

As these are prepared using the VOACAP prediction engine, I suggested an alternative that should suit his needs if he would rather not set up the VOACAP program himself. Several months back we mentioned the subscription service at http://www.k6tu.net. There is a free 30-day trial, and if you should choose to continue, the subscription cost is reasonable. This has the advantage of customization for the user's exact location, plus you can make predictions for future months as well.

You can also customize your account for antennas and power levels, and when you run the program it emails you a set of URLs for the bands you have chosen as well as the region, either North America or world wide. Rather than look at these online, I found it much better to download the PDF files, then page through the 24 hourly pages for each band. You get a set of beautifully rendered maps with colors corresponding to coverage areas and signal levels. When you can quickly flip through these after downloading, you watch the projection of the signal levels for different areas progress across the map, hour-by-hour.

Another alternative is to use the free W6ELprop software for Windows computers. Check the K9LA tutorial at http://www.arrl.org/files/file/Technology/propagation/W6elprop.pdf, and you can download the software at http://www.qsl.net/w6elprop/. W6ELprop is free, but K6TU tells me he is about to add some great new features to his service.

Larry Nelson, K5IJB of El Paso, Texas reports: "Several 6-meter CW beacon stations were very helpful last Sunday (June 2) when listening for band openings. From about mid-morning up to noon, these beacons were S9 as the band opened to the West and mid-West from El Paso: N0LL/B, N7DGI/B, WB0RMO/B, W5GPM/B and N0SAP/B. I made several CW and SSB contacts using the Icom 703 (10 watts) to a homebrew vertical dipole at 25 feet."

Lou DiChiaro, WB2IJT reported, "As a Navy civilian physicist, I don't get to spend much time on the air during the work week. However, I do occasionally get on the air over the weekends. This past Saturday (June 1) was an extraordinary day for Es on 6 meters. I'm running 100 watts out from an IC-7000 to a large loop antenna running around the inside perimeter of my attic (to avoid the wrath of the subdivision esthetics enforcers). From Grid Square FM29 (Delaware) I worked in quick succession a number of Florida stations, some in Georgia, Arkansas, and Missouri. One of the Georgia stations measured S9+20 dB on the S meter (he was running a KW into a 5 element Yagi - it helps!).

"It was a band opening to remember. And I'll bet you're getting lots of reports like mine. Hopefully, we'll get lots more openings like this from Old Sol before he runs out of hydrogen and starts burning helium in his core."

And finally, Jeff Hartley, N8II reports from West Virginia: "From 0245-0400Z Friday May 31 I caught the best conditions towards EU on 15M I can ever remember so late in the evening, in 42 years on the air. Since the solar flux was around 120, my guess would be there was a sporadic-E link to the opening on the North American end, but the stations worked were in daylight ranging from around sunrise to mid morning. Prefixes worked in order from 0242-0306Z on 15 CW were DJ2, UT7, UA3, UT9, RA1, RA4LW (S9+5dB, then +20 dB at 0330Z!), UK8OWW, SP7. Then, I tried some CQs on 12M with no answer and scanned 10M towards EU where there were no signals to the NE including beacons, but several W6 beacons were loud via double hop Es. I went back to 15 CW at 0328Z and worked RU4, YO4, LA6, RZ6, UB6, UR4, UX7, RD3, UA6, and LZ2 thru 0352Z.

"I made a quick check of 15 SSB and found Ed, 4Z4UR who was S9. He mentioned he uses WWV near Fort Collins on 20 MHz often as a propagation indicator for NA, a smart idea. He says he can frequently hear WWV around 0300-0400Z at this time of year indicating a band opening which I would guess rarely extends as far east as my QTH in FM19cj. I checked 15 the next night around the same time and there was no opening to anywhere.

"On June 1 from 0125-0149Z, I did catch UN5C and UN5J with good signals on 17M CW as well as FO8WBB, ZL1BD, and a VP2V on 12M. 10M was dead including beacons. During the day I worked the Alabama QSO party in which even 10M was open to Alabama on Es from 19Z thru about 0020Z, though it was not utilized by most Alabama stations. All of the stations I asked to QSY to 10M up from 15 or 20M were successfully logged mostly with very strong signals. 15 was fairly active on CW and 20 was in great shape with strong signals all day until about 0120Z. 40M was barely usable at first, but was open from here pretty well from 2045Z onward. The high bands were the best ever to Alabama in the ALQP from here. In the late afternoon, I also worked AF3X/M on 20 roaming around the NYC boroughs with S9 signals only about 250 miles away.

"I operated part time in the WPX CW contest May 25-26 on 20M. Conditions were disturbed at the beginning, then quite so Saturday 1200Z thru at least 0300Z Sunday. There were some very loud southern and central EU at the start thru around 0115Z when the band gradually closed. A few Russians and Asians were found, but were almost gone by 0215Z whereas normally I have run pile ups from western Asiatic and European Russians from 0200-0400Z on 20 CW. Sunday 0100-0200Z was pretty much rock bottom, but I managed somehow to work all continents except EU during that time. RC9O who would normally peak around 20 degrees peaked around 310 degrees on a very skewed path and was only about S4. SA was loud and I worked KH7 and ZL3. Sunday at 1400Z, 20 seemed back to near normal as it did at 2345Z, but I only had time to operate mainly in the 14Z hour when many northern EU stations not possible to work before due to conditions were logged."

Thanks, Jeff!

If you would like to make a comment or have a tip for our readers, email the author at, k7ra@....

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service web page at, http://arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals. For an explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin, see http://arrl.org/the-sun-the-earth-the-ionosphere. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at http://arrl.org/w1aw-bulletins-archive-propagation. More good information and tutorials on propagation are at http://k9la.us/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://arrl.org/propagation.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of ARRL bulletins are at http://arrl.org/bulletins.

Sunspot numbers for May 30 through June 5 were 71, 58, 60, 76, 99, 59, and 81, with a mean of 72. 10.7 cm flux was 104.1, 101.8, 105.8, 110.9, 111.8, 109.9, and 108.8, with a mean of 107.6. Estimated planetary A indices were 3, 9, 49, 19, 10, 10, and 6, with a mean of 15.1. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 2, 7, 41, 16, 9, 10, and 9, with a mean of 13.4.
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21288. 425 DX News - #1153

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-06-07 22:55:50 UTC
From: r_brothers
Topic: 21288 Message: 21288

08 June 2013 A.R.I. DX Bulletin
No 1153
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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** DX INFORMATION ****
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Edited by I1JQJ & IK1ADH
Direttore Responsabile I2VGW

5R - Flavio, IW2NEF will be active as 5R8NE from Nosy-Be (AF-057) on 16-30 July. He will operate holiday style on 40-10 metres SSB, IOTA Contest included. QSL via IK2DUW. [TNX IZ2DPX]
9A - Sergio, IZ3NXC will be active as 9A8NXC from Rab Island (EU-136) on 8-10 June. QSL via IK3GES.
A2 - Roger, ZS6RJ will be active as A25RJ from Botswana on 15-19 June. He will operate CW and RTTY on 80-10 metres. QSL via ZS6RJ and LoTW. [TNX The Daily DX]
A5 - Once again Yuki, JH1NBN will be active as A52W from Bhutan on 9-19 June. This is a business trip, and he will be QRV in his spare time with 100 watts and a wire antenna, mostly on SSB. QSL via home call (direct). [TNX The Daily DX]
EI - Michael EI3KG, Sean EI4GK, Adam EI5JQ, Robert EI6KD, Oleg EI7KD, Dave EI9FBB, Arek EI9KC, Jacek M0PLX, Waldi SP7IDX, Mietek SP9NWN and Christopher SQ7NNM will be active as EJ0PL from Inishmore, Aran Islands (EU-006) on 23-29 July, IOTA Contest included. They plan to be QRV with three stations on 80-6 metres CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL via EI5JQ, direct or bureau. [TNX SP7IDX
F - Once again (for the 62nd year) the Association des Radioamateurs de la Sarthe will operate a special event station for the 24 Hours of Le Mans. Look for TM24H on 10-23 June, with activity on SSB, CW and digital modes. QSL via F6KFI. [TNX F8REF]
F - Amateur Radio Club F6KAP will be active as TM350FDR from La Rochelle on 15-16 June. The suffix stands for Filles Du Roy (King's Daughters), and refers to the young French women who immigrated to New France as part of a program sponsored by Louis XIV to boost Canada's population. The first group of 36 women left France 350 years ago. [TNX F8REF]
H4 - Greg, VK1AI is once again active as H44PA from Honiara, Guadalcanal Island (OC-047) until 30 June. He likes CW and digital modes, with some occasional SSB. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX DX World]
H4 - The H44IOTA activity from the Russel Islands (OC-168), which was planned to start on 6 June, has been delayed. Heavy seas are delaying the team's voyage, and on 7 June they said to expect to reach their destination "in two days". This delay is likely to

affect also their plans for OC-158, originally scheduled for 10-13 June. QSL via NR6M.
I - Alex IK8YFU, Domenico IW8RAO and Salvatore IZ8CZR will be active as II8LH from the lighthouse at Capo Vaticano (WAIL CL-005 and ARLHS ITA-047) on 8 June. QSL via HB9FHZ (bureau) or IK8YFU (direct), plus LoTW and eQSL. [TNX DX Coffee]
I - Weather permitting, IT9BWD, IT9BWW, IT9CVO and IT9HBS will be active from Isola dei Porri (EU-166) on 15 June. [TNX IT9HBS]
I - Celebrating the 20th anniversary of the Project DX Team, special callsign IB2PDT will be active from 21 June to 7 July and again from 20 September to 6 October. QSL via bureau to IQ2LZ. [TNX IK2XDF]
I - I8LWL, IK6JRI, IK7JWX, IT9DFI and IZ8LFI will be active from Ustica Island (EU-051) on 24-29 July, including an entry in the IOTA Contest as IE9/IK6JRI. Outside the contest they will concentrate on 30, 17, 12 and 6 metres (WWL JM68oq), and digital modes. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX IK7JWX]
JA - Ted, JF1CCH will operate mainly CW as JF1CCH/1 from Hachijo Island (AS-043) on 14-17 June. QSL via home call. [TNX DX World]
JA - Taka, JA8COE will be active as JA8COE/8 from Yagishiri Island (AS-147) on 20-24 June (weather permitting) and again on 25-29 July for the IOTA Contest. QSL via home call, direct or bureau.
JW - Svein, LA9JKA will be active as JW9JKA from Bear Island (EU-027), Svalbard for six months (from mid-June to mid-December). QSL via home call (direct). [TNX NG3K]
KG4 - Look for KG4RX (QSL via K4RX), KG4TO (QSL via AC4TO) and KG4AS (QSL via N4SIA) to be active from Guantanamo Bay on 22-29 June. They will operate CW on 6 metres and on the HF bands. QSL via home calls. [TNX NG3K]
KH0 - Tony, JA6CNL will be active as KH0N from Saipan (OC-086) on 13-17 June. He will operate on the HF bands and will participate in the All Asian DX CW Contest. QSL via JA6CNL. Complete contest rules are on www.jarl.or.jp/English/4_Library/A-4-3_Contests/2013AA_rule.htm. [TNX ARRL DX Bulletin]
LY - Heiko DG1BHA, Fred DH5FS, Olli DH8BQA, Oliver DL1EJA and Uwe DL3BQA will be active as LY44WFF from Klaipeda and the Nemunas Delta Regional Park on 12-18 June. They will put a special emphasis on 6 (look for them around 50183 kHz SSB and CW) and 2 metres, but will also be QRV on the HF bands "around the usual WFF frequencies". QSL via DH8BQA.
PY - Special event call PS2013CCB will be in use on 15-30 June during the 9th FIFA Confederations Cup football (soccer) tournament. Look for activity on 40-10 metres SSB, CW and digital modes. QSL via PS7AB (bureau only), LOTW and eQSL. Email requests for bureau cards can be sent to ps7ab[@]yahoo.com. [TNX PS7AB]
SM - Lars, SM6CUK will be active as SA6G/7 from Ven Island (EU-137) on 10-17 June. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX rsgbiota.org]
SP - Back in 1338 the town of Blonie received city rights under the Magdeburg Law. To commemorate that event, special station SN675B is active until 30 June. QSL via bureau to SP5KOG. [TNX SP5CGN]

T33 - Announced QRV dates for the T33A DXpedition to Banaba Island (OC-018) [425DXN 1143] are 5-18 November. The large multi-national team (AA4FL, AD6E, DJ5IW, DK1II, DL5EBE, DL6KVA, HA0NAR, K3VN, KD6XH, N1EMC, N6HC, N6HD, N9NS, VK3FY, W2IJ, W6KK, WA1F, WA1S and WA6FGV) will have six stations at two sites operating CW, SSB and RTTY on 160-10 metres. QSL via W2IJ (OQRS on Clublog). Bookmark www.t33a.com for further information and updates.
TN - Arie PA3A, Ad PA8AD, Angelina PA8AN and Marian PD1AEG will be active as TN5MS from Pointe Noire, Republic of the Congo from 28 September to 11 October. They plan to operate on 160-10 metres CW, SSB and RTTY, using three stations with amplifers and several beam and vertical antennas. The team will provide support and raise funds for a Mercy Ships Charity Project. QSL via PA3AWW, direct or bureau. The log will be uploaded to LoTW 6 months after the operation. An OQRS for direct cards will be available on the expedition's website. Further information on the project can be found at www.tn5ms.nl
TU - Dim, F5SWB will be active as TU5DF from Cote d'Ivoire from late June until the end of October. He will operate mainly CW, with some SSB and PSK31 on 40-6 metres. QSL via home call, direct only. Logsearch on Clublog.
UA - Look for Victor, UA1OEJ/p to be active from the Solovetskiy Islands (EU-066) until 13 June. He operates CW, SSB, PSK and RTTY on the HF bands. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX UA1OIW]
UA - R290PM is active throughout June to celebrate the 290th anniversary of the city of Perm (European Russia, CQ Zone 17). On 12 June a number of special stations with callsigns in the R290FA-R290FZ series will be QRV from all of the seven city districts. QSL via operators' instructions. Details on the relevant award can be found on http://qrz-e.ru/forum/38-1611-1 [TNX 5B4AHJ]
UN - Members of the Kazakhstan Traveling Radio Amateurs Group (http://un-dx-news.ucoz.com) will be active as UP44WFF from Peak Amangeldy in the Zailiysky mountain range on 7-8 June. They will operate CW, SSB and digital modes on 40-10 metres. QSL via UN6QC, direct and bureau, and LoTW.
UR - Look for EM5F to be active from Ochakovskiy Island (EU-182) on 7-9 June. QSL via UR5FAV (email address for bureau cards: orionua[@]orion.od.ua) and LoTW.
V3 - Jim, W8ERI will be active as V31ZF from Ambergris Caye (NA-073) on 12-19 June. He will operate holiday style on 80-10 metres SSB. QSL via home call. [TNX The Daily DX]
VP2V - Dave, W9DR will be active on 6 metres as VP2V/W9DR from Anegada, British Virgin Islands (FK78tr) on 14-28 June. He will operate SSB on 50115 kHz SSB and CW on 50115,6 kHz (where he will also be running a beacon). QSL via home call. [TNX NG3K]
W - Look for Nathan, N4YDU to be active as from Ocracoke Island (NA-067) on 25-28 July. He will operate SSB and CW on 80-10 metres, and will participate in the IOTA Contest as W4O. QSL via N4YDU (direct only). [TNX NG3K]

YB - A team of operators will be active as YE0EDAM from Damar Besar Island (formerly known as Edam), one of the Seribu Islands (OC-177), on 27-30 June. QSL direct to YB0JZS. Further information can be found at http://ye0edam.blogspot.com
ZP - Radio Club Paraguay Filial Itapua (ZP9EE) will operate special station ZP99E from the Jesuit Missions of La Santisima Trinidad de Parana and Jesus de Tavarangue (UNESCO World Heritage Sites) between 12 June and 21 July. Look for activity on 40, 30, 20, 15 and 10 metres SSB, CW and some PSK31. QSL via EA5ZD.

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** GOOD TO KNOW ... ****
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DXCC NEWS ---> VU7KV (Lakshadweep Islands, May 2013) has been approved for DXCC credit. [TNX NC1L]

GALILEO SPECIAL EVENT ---> Detailed information on the European Space Agency's Amateur Radio 2013 Galileo Special Event, running through 2013 to "celebrate the achievements of the Galileo satellite navigation project", can be found at https://sites.google.com/site/hamradiogalileo/home. The second activity period will be on 14-23 June, with expected operations by PI9ESA and II0ESA. QSLling instructions can be found on the website. [TNX I0WTD]

NA-181 POSTPONED ---> Klaus, VE7KDU and Frank, VE7DP were expeted to be QRV from Barnard Island (NA-181) on 7-9 June Howeve, "the latest weather forecast for northern B.C. coastal areas is indicating several days of gale-force winds", so the activation has been postponed "until a later date". [TNX VE7DP]

OC-285 ---> Nando, IT9YRE (H44S) and Mike, K9AJ (H44AJ) were active from Sikaiana Atoll (OC-285, new one for IOTA) on 4-6 June and made 5945 QSOs. QSL via home calls. A log search will be available at http://www.it9yre.it/h44/

RA9ODD/0 ---> UA9OBA reports that owing to plenty of heavy ice in the Sea of Okhotsk, the M/V 'Spirit of Enderby' is delayed and her course is changing. The stop at Iony Island (AS-069) [425DXN 1152] is postponed until 10 June. The ship locator is on www.heritage-expeditions.com

QSL 4U1ITU, 4U1UN & 4U1WRC ---> Get your missing QSLs for QSOs with 4U1ITU, 4U1UN and 4U1WRC (2012) at the Swiss DX Foundation's booth at Hamradio 2013 (Friedrichshafen) on 28-30 June. Additionally you can also get QSL cards for 3B9SP, 3B9FR (only for QSOs made on October 2012 and later), HB9SOLAR and HB9SPACE. Bring your QSO data with you and observe the working hours of the QSL manager (to be available at the booth). [TNX HB9BOU]

QSL HH2/HB9AMO ---> Tim, M0URX has recently taken over as QSL manager for Pierre's activities from Haiti as HH2/HB9AMO ("it has become clear that some QSL cards were not sent out from previous QSL management").A new QSL card has been designed and will soon be printed. QSL via M0URX, OQRS preferred (http://m0urx.com/oqrs/).

QSL TX5K ---> "The TX5K QSLs for the March Clipperton Island DXpedition should start to flow out sometime around the end of June", Bob Schenck, N2OO reports. "Please save your inquiries until after you hear that we are current on the processing". Read the complete release on http://ky6r.com/

WORLD CASTLES WEEKEND ---> Organized by the World Castles Activity Group, it will be held on 15-16 June. Several stations are expected to operate from fortresses and castles around Europe. Information on the event can be found at www.wcagroup.org. [TNX RN1CW]

+ SILENT KEY + Veteran storm researcher Tim Samaras (WJ0G) lost his life when a violent tornado hit the Oklahoma City metro area on 31 May. He "brought to the field a unique portfolio of expertise in engineering, science, writing and videography", the US National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration commented in a statement issued on 3 June. A collection of his "Stunning Tornado Videos" can be found the National Geographic's website (www.nationalgeographic.com)

QSLs received direct or through managers: 3D2GC, 3D2MM, 4X4FR, 5B75FOC, 5H1DX (AF-063), 5H3MB, 5U9AMO, 5X8C, 6V7S, 6W2SC, 7X5KBS, 9J2GR, 9K2/SP4R, 9K2HN, 9M4SLL, 9N7SZ, 9U4U, A35UD, A3EAQ, A71AE, A92IO, BA4DW, CE2AWW, CV5D, CW3D, CW90A, CX9AU, D4C, DL6UNF, DX8DX (OC-174 & OC-225), EA6SX, EI9O, EP3SMH, FK8GX, FR4NT, H40T, H44G, H44KW, H44MY, H70ORO, J49C, J52HF, J5UAP, J69MV, JD1BMH, JS6RRR (AS-079), JX9JKA, LU5FC, LX1HD, LY23A, OF3I, OK2BTS, OL2HQ, OY1OF, P29NI (OC-099) ,P29VCX (OC-103), P29VPB(OC-069), PJ4M, PJ4NX, PT0S, SV0XCC/9, T2GM, T2YL, T6LG, TG9NX, V51AS, V51WH, V63MY, V63T, V73TS, VK9CZ, VP8LP, XR0Y, XW0ZJZ, XW8XZ, YB8XM/p (OC-271), YB9YKI (OC-147), YL3BF, YO3YX, YW5YL, Z60K, Z61DX, Z81Z, ZG2FK, ZK3T, ZL7A, ZS2AL.

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21289. 425 DX Calendar - #1153

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
******* CALENDAR *******
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21290. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-06-08 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21290

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:Issued: 2013 Jun 08 1247 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30608
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 08 Jun 2013, 1206UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 08 Jun 2013 until 10 Jun 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Active (M-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 08 Jun 2013 10CM FLUX: 109 / AP: 013
PREDICTIONS FOR 09 Jun 2013 10CM FLUX: 108 / AP: 011
PREDICTIONS FOR 10 Jun 2013 10CM FLUX: 106 / AP: 008
COMMENT:Solar activity is low, with only three C-class flares and one M-class flare
detected in last 24 hours. The M5.9 flare peaking at 22:49 UT on June 07
originated from the Catania sunspot group 96 (NOAA AR 1765) situated at
that moment at the west solar limb, and was associated with a CME. From the
currently available data it seems that the bulk of the CME mass was
directed mostly southward of the Sun-Earth line and it is therefore not
probable that the CME will arrive at the Earth. Fast growing Catania
sunspot group 96 (NOAA AR 1765) which currently has beta-gamma
configurations of its photospheric magnetic field, has a significant
potential to produce a C-class flares, and possibly also M-class flares.
The interplanetary magnetic field magnitude is about 4 nT, and the solar
wind speed is currently 450 km/s. The arrival of the fast flow from the
small equatorial coronal hole is expected today without significant
geomagnetic impact. A CME-driven shock wave associated with the M1.3 flare
on June 05, might be expected on June 09 producing at most unsettled
geomagnetic conditions. We expect quiet to unsettled geomagnetic conditions
during following 48 hours.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 017, BASED ON 16 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 07 Jun 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 066
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 110
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 021
AK WINGST : 025
ESTIMATED AP : 033
ESTIMATED ISN : 032, BASED ON 21 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
07 2211 2249 2304 ////// M5.9 92/1762 VI/1
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21291. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-06-09 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21291

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:Issued: 2013 Jun 09 1258 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30609
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 09 Jun 2013, 1206UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 09 Jun 2013 until 11 Jun 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 09 Jun 2013 10CM FLUX: 100 / AP: 012
PREDICTIONS FOR 10 Jun 2013 10CM FLUX: 098 / AP: 011
PREDICTIONS FOR 11 Jun 2013 10CM FLUX: 097 / AP: 008
COMMENT:There is only one sunspot group currently on the solar disk, Catania
sunspot group 96 (NOAA AR 1765). Although this active region has beta-gamma
configuration of its photospheric magnetic field it is not particularly
active. However, we still expect C-class flares and possibly also M-class
flare from this active region in the following hours. The interplanetary
magnetic field magnitude is about 4 nT, and the solar wind speed is
currently 420 km/s. CME-driven shock wave associated with the M1.3 flare on
June 05, might be expected today, producing at most unsettled geomagnetic
conditions. We expect quiet to unsettled geomagnetic conditions during
following hours.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 028, BASED ON 07 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 08 Jun 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 103
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 013
AK WINGST : 009
ESTIMATED AP : 010
ESTIMATED ISN : 017, BASED ON 19 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
07 2211 2249 2304 ////// M5.9 160 92/1762 VI/1
END
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21292. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1115

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-06-09 18:15:27 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 21292 Message: 21292

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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 2nd-June, through Sunday, 9th-June there were 217 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4U1U, 4X, 5B, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5W, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9X, 9Y, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, BV, BY, C3, C5, C6, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, F, FG, FH, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FR, FS, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HC, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J6, JA, JD/o, JT, JX, JY, K, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OJ0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ5, PJ7, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S5, S7, SM, SP, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T32, T7, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TR, TT, TU, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V4, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK9N, VP2E, VP2V, VP5, VP6, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XU, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, Z8, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD8, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS, ZS8

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

5R, MADAGASCAR. Flavio, IW2NEF, will be active as 5R8NE from Nosy-Be Island (AF-057) between July 16-30th. Activity will be on 40-10 meters using SSB, and a FT-857 into a fishing rod antenna at 10 meters. He also plans to be in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th). QSL via IK2DUW.

A2, BOTSWANA. Roger, ZS6RJ, will once again be on a one man DXpedition for 4-5 days in Botswana (WW.Loc KG47AC) as A25RJ starting June 15th. Activity will be from Tuli Block, Eastern Botswana, focusing on 80-10 meters, CW and Roger states, "Look forward to working you in the pile-ups!" QSL via LoTW or direct using the QRZ.com address. There is no bureau service for Botswana.

A5, BHUTAN. Yuki, JH1NBN, will be active as A52W between June 9-19th. Activity will be limited to his spare time because he is there once again on a business trip. Yuki will operate SSB with 100 watts into wire antennas. QSL via JH1NBN direct. For more details, check: http://www.1nbn.net/index.htm

AFFA AVAILABLE (Another WWFF Award). Joao, CU3AA, AFFA Award Manager, is pleased to announce the "Azores Flora Fauna Award" (AFFA). All effort were made to make AFFA recognized as another WWFF award, as well as all its protected areas, since the aim is the same. Unfortunately, such recognition wasn't done as it was expected. However, hoping that soon their efforts might be recognized. They have the recognition and support of the regional authorities. You can access their Web site at: http://www.azoresflorafauna.wix.com/azoresflorafauna
They suggest, "If you wish, leave your thoughts, comments or suggestions."

C8, MOZAMBIQUE (Update/Press Release #2). Tom/N4XP and Don/N1DG, the C82DX DXpedition Co-leaders, posted the following press release (#2) on June 4th on the DXpedition's Web page [edited]: "Planning and preparations are continuing for our October 2013 Mozambique DXpedition. Our license has been issued and is in hand with the callsign C82DX. We are happy to announce this will be the first use of the C82 prefix. We will be active starting October 15th, for eight days with operations ongoing through October 22nd. We are also pleased to announce Ray Novak, N9JA has joined our team.
ZS6P and ZS6RI will travel to our operating site the first week of June for scouting, planning and preparation purposes. Our location in Xai Xai is located directly on the ocean in the southern part of Mozambique. Low Band operations remain the primary objective, and we have secured both Titanex and Battle Creek Special verticals. We have also obtained the sponsorship of Array Solutions with one of their new shared apex loop array RX systems. They join ICOM (our main equipment supplier with IC7600s) and SteppIR (CrankIRs) as our major donors to our DXpedition.
During the day we will operate all HF bands including 6 meters. Our website is now live, <www.c82dx.com>, where you can learn more about our plans."

C9, MOZAMBIQUE. Antonio, EA4GBA, will be active as C91GBA from Matola starting June 27th through December 15th. Activity will be on all HF bands using SSB and a Yaesu FT-857 with 100 watts into a dipole. QSL via EA4GBA direct (w/SAE and 2 USDs). QSL cards will be answered once he arrives back in Spain early 2014.

CANADIAN ARCTIC IOTAS TO BE ACTIVATED! Mike, VE2XB, currently active from the Canadian High Arctic IOTA Dorset Island (NA-156) as VY0BRR

(he states, VY0BRR -- It's FREEZING), is planning to activate other very rare IOTAs within the Region of Nunavut. His QTH is Cape Dorset, an Inuit hamlet located on Dorset Island near Foxe Peninsula at the southern tip of Baffin Island in the Qikiqtaaluk Region of Nunavut, Canada. The Inuktitut name of the village means "high mountains." Mike provides interesting details and history of Cape Dorset and Dorset Island on his Web and QRZ.com pages at:
http://www.qrz.com/db/VY0BRR
http://vy0brr.jimdo.com
Mike is looking to travel to other places in Nunavut, and will activate some very rare IOTAs including: Coral Harbour, Southampton Island (NA-007), Sanikiluaq, Belcher Islands (NA-196), Igloolik (NA-174), Cambridge Bay, Victoria Island (NA-006) and Qikiqtarjuaq, Broughton Island (NA-130). He also adds, "Maybe I will travel to some rare IOTAs in the Northwest Territories or NWT to the West...and maybe to Yukon too. (Vy1)." Activity from these location has not been provided, but in the past Mike was active on 80-10 meters, depending on band conditions, using CW and SSB. QSL via VE2XB with SASE and Canadian stamps or 2 IRCS or 2 USD. See QRZ.com for details and address.

CE0Y, EASTER ISLAND. Jose, CE3YHO, has announced that he is traveling to Easter Island by the end of June in order to live there with his wife (islander) and two sons that actually are living on the Island. Once living there, Jose will install a Ham Radio station on HF, VHF and UHF, and expects to begin operations as CE0YHO at the end of July or August.

DXCC NEWS (NODXA Member's Achievement). Congratulations to NODXA member Scotty, WK3N, for exceeding the 3000 confirmed mark in the ARRL DXCC Challenge. He is the Northern Ohio DX Association's second member to exceed the 3k level with his last submission giving him 3003 confirmed. NODXA's first member to reach 3k was Don, K8MFO. Don has an astounding Challenge total of 3144. The ARRL DXCC Challenge presently has 73 members from 19 countries with 3k or more confirmed QSOs. They are to be commended for an achievement that takes a lifetime.

DXCC NEWS. Bill Moore, NC1L, ARRL Awards Branch Manager, reports that the following operation is approved for DXCC credit:
VU7KV ☐ Lakshadweep Islands (DXCC Entity Code ☐ 142); May 2013 operation

Note: If anyone had this contact rejected in a recent submission send an E-mail to <bmoore@...g> to be placed on the list for an update to your record.

EF8, CANARY ISLANDS. Luis, EA8AY, will be active as EF8X from Tenerife Island (IOTA AF-004, DIE S-012, WLOTA 1276, EAA TF) during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th) as a Single-Op/All-band entry. QSL via W2GR. Visit his Web site at: http://www.ea8ay.com/ef8x

FS, ST. MARTIN. Just a reminder that John, K9EL, will once again activate FS/K9EL from St. Martin (NA-105, DIFO FS-001, WLOTA 0383, WW Loc. FK88) between June 11-28th. Activity will be on 80-6 meters. Daily uploads to ClubLog and LoTW are planned. John has a new QTH this year and should

have a better signal to the USA on 6 meters. QSL via his home callsign.

H44, SOLOMON ISLANDS. Gregory, VK1AI, has once again returned to Honiara on June 3rd, and is active as H44PA until June 30th. Activity will probably be on 20/17/15 meters CW mainly. QSL via VK1AI, direct or by the Bureau. ADDED NOTE: Gregory states, "Cards for my 2012 operation are ready for dispatch to the Bureau. Anyone wanting a card direct is welcome to do so."

H44, SOLOMON ISLANDS (IOTA Op/Update to OPDX.1103/1104/1105). By the time you read this, operators Ralph/5W0W/H44RK, Maggie/H44MK (the only local YL Ham from Sikiana), Stan/SQ8X, Dom/SQ9KWW and Tom/WL7HP will be active as H44IOTA from Florida Islands (OC-158) as part of their IOTA tour until June 13th. Their next stop is from the very rare Stewart Island (OC-285) between June 17-24th. ADD NOTE (From their Web Page): "The H44IOTA Team informs that plans to activate IOTA OC-285 between June 4-7th, 2013 by H44S and H44AJ are not associated with 'H44IOTA DXpedition' nor 'The Pacific C3 Project'. The H44IOTA Team continues their plans as scheduled. We□re really looking forward to make contacts with IOTA chasers from all islands as planned." Remember, activities will be on 80-10 meters using CW and SSB. See OPDX.1104 for frequencies. All QSL requests are via QSL Manager Rex Turvin, NR6M. For updates it is suggested to watch:
http://www.qrz.com/db/H40RK
The group now has a Web, Twitter and FaceBook page at:
http://www.h44iota.com
https://twitter.com/h44iota
https://www.facebook.com/pages/H44-IOTA-DXpedition/136003426577924

IB2, ITLAY (Special Event). Members of the ARI Lomazzo "Project DX Team" are celebrating the 20th anniversary of the foundation. Look for all its members to use the special callsign IB2PDT between June 21st and July 7th, and between September 20th and October 6th. The event's main goal is to celebrate the anniversary, but also to remember and give a tribute to all the founders. All the QSOs will be sincerely appreciated, and also SWL reports. The QSL is sure via the Bureau to IQ2LZ.

II8, ITALY (Late Announcement, LH Op!). Alex, IK8YFU, and other Calabria DX Team members were expected to be active as II8LH on June 8th, from the Capo Vaticano lighthouse (WAIL CL-005, ARLHS ITA-047), located in Ricadi (VV)Vibo Valentia Province, Calabria region, Italy. QSL via the Bureau to HB9FHZ (USKA Bureau). QSL via IK8YFU direct. E-QSL Authenticity is guaranteed. Also LoTW. For more info, see: http://www.calabriadxteam.it

IOTA NEWS.....
AF-019. Emilio, IZ1GAR, will be active as IH9R from Pantelleria Island (IIA TP-001, WLOTA 0041) during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. Pantelleria counts as Multiplier Zone 33 Africa Italy for the CQWW DX rule (islands are located over the African continent platform). QSL via IZ1GAR, direct or by the Bureau.

AS-043. Ted, JF1CCH, will be active as JF1CCH/1 from Hachijo Island between June 14-17th. Activity will be on the usual IOTA frequencies operating mainly CW. QSL via his home callsign.

AS-147. The "425 DX News" reports that Taka, JA8COE, will be active as JA8COE/8 from Yagishiri Island on June 20-24th (weather permitting) and again on July 25-29th, for the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th). QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

EU-038. Marcel, PD5MVH, will once again be active as PD5MVH/P from Vlieland Island between August 31st and September 14th. Activity will be on 40/20/10 meters SSB. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau. NO LoTW or eQSL.

EU-093. Manel, EA3EGB, will be active as EA3EGB/5 from Benidorm Island (DIE E-007, WW Loc. JM08) and lighthouse (FEA E-0172, WLH EA-003, WLOL SPA-165, WLOTA 3329, Admiralty E 0172) on June 16th. Activity will be on 40-6 meters using SSB and RTTY. Benidorm Island is located in the Province of Alicante. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

EU-129. Operators Hardy/DL3KWF, Bert/DK3BK, Gun/DF2TG and Roland/DL9GMN will be active as DM3X/P from Görmitz Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th) as a Multi-Op/Low-Power entry. QSL via the Bureau.

EU-137. Lars, SM6CUK, will be active as SA6G/7 from Ven Island (WLOTA 0780) between June 10-17th. Activity will be holiday style on the HF bands. QSL via SM6CUK, by the Bureau or direct.

EU-177. Olaf, G0CKV, will be active as SM5CKV/P from Harstena Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th) as a Single-Op/ CW-Mode entry. QSL via G0CKV.

NA-058. Tad, WF4W, informs OPDX that a group of 10-12 operators will activate Sapelo Island (USA738 and USA1014) as K4S in the Georgia State IOTA Group between September 12-14th. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK. QSL via LoTW, eQSL and direct (w/SASE or IRC) only. Information good on QRZ.com.

NA-067. Nathan, N4YDU, will be active from Ocracoke Island between July 25-28th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using CW and SSB. Operations will also include the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power/Assisted entry using the callsign W4O. QSL via N4YDU direct only.

NA-143. Bodo, DF8DX, will be active as KT3Q/5 from Galveston Island between July 27-29th. Activity will include the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th) as a Single-Op/CW-Mode/12-Hour/Low-Power/DXpedition entry. QSL via DF8DX, direct, by the Bureau or LoTW. ADDED NOTE: Before the contest, look for Bodo to be

active between July 19-20th as KT3Q/6 from Anacapa Island
(NA-144), and between July 26-27th as KT3Q/5 in the Texas
State West IOTA Group (NA-092).

NA-181. Operators Klaus/VE7KDU and Frank/VE7DP, who were expected to
activate the Estevan Islands (Barnard Island) as homecall/7
between June 7-9th, had to postpone their operation due to
bad weather and a high K index.

NA-204. (Update) The Cuban T46A group will activate the special callsign
T46C from Santa Maria Island between June 13-17th. The operators
mentioned are Ore/CO6LC, Jose/CO6EC, Yordany/CO6YAC, Amaurys/
CO6WYR, CL6RLD and Luis/CO6LP. They will try to maintain 2-3
stations [one CW, one SSB and one RTTY] on the air transmitting
on 160-10 meters, including 30/17/12 meters, using CW, SSB and
RTTY, into yagis, beverages and verticals. For the 80m and 160m
bands, they will only have one band on at a time and mainly CW
because of their antenna. QSL via EA5GL.

OC-177. Operators Joy/YB0NSI, Jeffrey/YC0LOU and possibly one other
will be active from Damar Island (Edam Island) and the Vast
Licht lighthouse (WLOTA 2749) between June 27-30th. Activity
will be on 80/40/15/10 meters (and possibly 30/17/12m) using
CW, SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via YB0JZS. More details
are expected to be forthcoming. For more details and updates,
watch: http://ye0edam.blogspot.com

OC-285. (Late Info) Operators Nando/IT9YRE and Mike/K9AJ were active
this past week (June 4-6th) from Sikaiana Atoll as H44S and
H44AJ, respectively. They had to QRT early because of bad
weather, but they made some 5945 QSOs. For more details, see:
http://www.it9yre.it/h44

JD1, MINAMI TORISHIMA. Take, JG8NQJ, will once again be active as JG8NQJ/JD1
from Marcus Island in the Minami Torishima (OC-073, JCG 10007) group for
the next few days in the month of June. He is there to work on the island's
weather station. Activity will be mainly on 17/15/12/10 meters CW. QSL via
his home callsign, by the Bureau or direct to JA8CJY: Susumu 'Sin' Sanada,
5-17, 5-4, Shin-Ei, Toyohira, Sapporo 004, Japan. Online log is available
at: http://dx.qsl.net/cgi-bin/logform.cgi?jd1-jg8nqj

KH6, HAWAII. Alex, F4GHS, will be active as KH6/F4GHS from the Hawaiian
Islands (OC-019) between August 3-23rd. Activity will be holiday style
on 80-10 meters using SSB and an Icom IC-706MKIIG into G5RV antenna.
While there, Alex will be activating the various islands in the Hawaii
Islands IOTA Group: Oahu (August 3-7th), Kauai (August 7-12th), Maui
(August 12-18th) and the Island of Hawaii [Big Island] (August 18-23rd).
QSL via F0GAZ direct.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (June 10-16th)....
Jun/10th AN Jun/13th HN Jun/15th AN
Jun/11th AN-HN Jun/14th AN Jun/16th AN

Jun/12th HN

SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS/INDEXES AND GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE
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NORMALITY	GEOMAG K Values	Alpha
AN - Above Normal	Quiet K=0-1	0-7
HN - High Normal	Unsettled K=2	8-15
LN - Low Normal	Active K=3	16-29
BN - Below Normal	Minor Storm K=4	30-49
DIS - Disturbed	Major Storm K=5	50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed	Severe Storm K=6-9	100-400

MJ, JERSEY. Operators Jo/PA9JO, Alex/PA1AW and Ron/PA3EWP will be active as MJ/homecall from the Jersey Amateur Radio Society at the old German signal station at La Moye on Jersey (EU-013, WW. Loc. IN89ve) between June 20-24th. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using all modes. QSL via LoTW or direct (all callsigns) to Alex, PA1AW. A OQRS will be available on their Web page at: http://www.cqfriends.com/mj2013

MU0, GUERNSEY (Contest/Satellite Op). Operators Peter/2E0SQL, Louis/2U0FER, Jimmy/M0MJH, Iain/M0PCB, Daniel/M0TCB and Steve/M0SPF will be active as MU0THJ from Guernsey Island (IOTA EU-114) during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th) as a Multi-Op entry. QSL via 2E0SQL. ADDED NOTE: Look for Peter, 2E0SQL, to be active as 2U0SQL/P between July 25-30th. He plans to be active on the satellites. QSL via his home callsign, direct, by the Bureau or LoTW.

OG0, ALAND ISLAND. "The Daily DX" reports that operators Pertti/OH2BEE/OG2W and Raimo/OH2BCI will be active from the OH0Z station <www.oh0z.net> on Aland Islands (EU-002) between June 14-17th. While using Pertti's, OG0W, callsign, look for activity on 160-10 meters (no WARC-79 Bands) using CW only. Their activity will also include the All Asia DX CW Contest. QSL via OH2BEE direct. Also QSL via LoTW or eQSL.

OL140, CZECH REPUBLIC (Special Event). A group of Czech operators are now active as OL140FIRE from the Fire Brigade in Horni Marsov until June 15th. Activity is to celebrate the 140th anniversary of Fire Brigade in Horni Marsov and the meeting of volunteer Fire Brigades "Hasicske Slavnosti 2013" (which was cancelled due to ongoing floods - see QRZ.com for pictures) in Litomerice. They would like all licensed hams which are members of a professional and volunteer Fire brigades, active or retired, all around the world to call them. Every QSO with OL140FIRE will be confirmed with "thematic" QSL card. QSL via OK5AM, by the Bureau or direct. An award is available, see QRZ.com for details.

OX, GREENLAND (Update). An international group of YLs will once again activate amateur radio from Kangerlussuaq between August 16-20th. Their callsign will be OX5YL. Operators mentioned are Unni/LA6RHA, Mio/JR3MVF, Chae/HL1KDW, Kay/WA0WOF and Solveig/SM6KAT. QSL via PY5YL, direct or by the Bureau. The last YL expedition was in 2010 and was very successful. For more information, visit their Web site at:

http://home.online.no/~la6rha/greenland2013.htm

P4, ARUBA. John, W2GD, will be active as P40W from Santa Cruz, Aruba (SA-036, WLOTA 0033), during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th). Operating class is to be determined. QSL via LoTW or N2MM (QRZ.com). Look for some 30/17/12 meters and 160 meters operations before the contest as time permits. PLEASE NOTE: 60m operation is NOT authorized on Aruba. Log will be posted to LoTW within two weeks. ALSO, John plans to end responding to P40W QSL card requests by the end of 2013. Confirmations for P40W only via LoTW thereafter.

P5, NORTH KOREA (P5 PROJECT). Paul, N6PSE, was reported to be on his way to Beijing on June 5th, then on to Pyongyang, North Korea, to begin the negotiations for a DPRK DXpedition. David, AH6HY, is expected to join the efforts later sometime this week. Updates can be seen on the following socail medias: https://twitter.com/N6PSE
http://www.intrepid-dx.com/p5
https://www.facebook.com/pages/The-Intrepid-DX-Group/180857615282553

PJ4, BONAIRE (Update). Armin, DL1DI, will be active as PJ4D from Bonaire (SA-006, WLOTA LH-1279) between June 22nd and July 10th. He will be there on holiday. Activity will be on 80-10 meters SSB using a Spiderbeam and FD4 from Fritzel with 100 watts. QSL via DL1DI, direct or by the Bureau. Sorry no eQSL or LoTW.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (For June 8th)

9H1EU via 9H1BT FO8WBB via N6JA PJ2LS via ED7DX
A41KJ via NI5DX GB4JDF via 2D0YLX RC3EPC via RW3EW
AO1WED via EA1WD GB100RXY via G4USW & (e) S573DX via S57DX
CS5MAR via EA7JX HA30IGY via HA5OKE & (e) SL8SUB via SM6DQR
CT7/F9IE via F9IE HZ1ZH via EA7FTR SV5/OM3AG/P via OM3AG
CT8/S51TA via S51TA LA/OK7CW via OK1FPG TM0BIG via F4FET
E7/OK4ZW via OK1UZW NA1DX via K3IRV & (L) TM1EJ via F5YD
E720SRRS via E70EPC OE200TH via OE3PVC TM8YT via F5KLJ
EA6/PE1LWT via PE1LWT OL13VBD via OK1MP TM77A via HB9SLU
ED2URT via EA2BR OL140FIRE via (B) VP2V/K6TOP via K6TOP
ES8/YL3BU/P via YL3BU OZ/DL1ANT/P via DL1ANT YL0WANTED via ES2TT
(e) eQSL only (d) direct only (B) Bureau only (L) LoTW only

TX5K QSL STATUS (Press Release), QSL Manager Bob, N2OO, reports: "The TX5K QSLs for the March Clipperton Island DXpedition should start to flow out sometime around the end of June. Although it has only been about 2 ½ months since the DXpedition ended, there has been some 'interest' in the status of the QSL process. We are a little behind due to a com-bination of reasons beginning with delays getting the design started due to the XE1L situation, and normal post-DXpedition craziness. Then there were some simple unfortunate timing issues with each of us involved in the process. However, I am happy to report that the card design is almost done, and once proofed will be sent to our printer (WZ8P) who

is ready to go. Once printed, the cards will be divided between the two primary QSL Managers and processed by 'teams' at both locations. OQRS requests by Dean, N7XG (in Oregon), and direct mail requests by N2OO (in New Jersey). Since Club Log and our new processing software automatically matches log data, Dean's job is to simply print, peel and stick labels, add address labels and stuff envelopes. His team has already prepped for the process. Bob, N2OO's, team consists of 4 experienced 'processors' who must manually process each mailed request. We have already 'pre-processed' about ½ of the mail received and continue to work on it daily. So, we appreciate your patience while we gear up for the big QSL push on both coasts! We just wanted everyone to know that we are 'actively' working on the TX5K QSLs. Please save your 'inquiries' until after you hear that we are 'current' on the processing. THANKS! See ya' in the Pileups!.... Bob Schenck, N2OO"

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 5B4AJC, 5B75FOC, 5H1DX, 5Z4/DL1QW, 5T0SP, 8P6SH, AC2BF/KH2, AO6FOC, D4C, DJ5MW, FG4NO, GH3IT, GT4FOC, HC6EP, IS0FOC, J75KG, JH1GBZ, JK3HLP, KH6FOC, PJ2T, PJ4/NA2AA, PJ7MF, PY2KC, R75FOC, R9FM, SG8X, SQ6ODD, TM6FOC, VA7DX, YJ0PO, ZM1A and ZS6X

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 9M4SLL, A3EAQ, BY1WXD/0, ES1QD, J39BS, J35X, JS6RRR, JX9JKA, PJ4NX, PT0S, V85XD, V85TZ, VK9CZ, VP2EMR and VK9NN

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 3B9SP, 3W2J, 3Y8XSA, 4U1UN, 4U64UN, 5D7AT, 5H9IR, 5L2MS, 6W/PD9DX, 8Q7AU, 9G1AA, 9G5ZS, 9H3YT, 9M2MRS, 9U7T, AH0/KH2, C56FR, CN2OS, CN8LOP/P, CU2/SM7EQL, CU5CQ, D44TIB, EA8/SA6G, ED9M, GJ/PD1RP, HC2/SM6FKF, HS0ZBS, HZ0ZJF/9, IS0TKQ, J45O, LX/PA3EZC/P, MJ/PD1RP, MU/PA9M, OL2HQ, P29VCX, P4/PG4DX, P40A, PJ4J, PJ4M, SV5/SM8C, SV9/ON6DSL/P, TF/PD9DX, TK4DS, TK5WL, VU2UR, XU7AFU, XU7KOH, XU7TZG, Z60K, ZR6MS, ZS08TV, ZS1A, ZS1ACH, ZS1AGF, ZS1ANF, ZS1EL, ZS1JX, ZS1L, ZS1ROM, ZS1SR, ZS2ACP, ZS2CR, ZS2DK, ZS2DL, ZS2I, ZS2J, ZS4GB, ZS5NK, ZS5XT, ZS6AIB, ZS6AKU, ZS6BAF, ZS6BOX, ZS6BQI, ZS6GAV, ZS6IQ, ZS6ME, ZS6NJ, ZS6P, ZS6RJ, ZS6UT and ZS6WR

SCANDINAVIAN AND IOTA TOUR. Przemy "Mek", SP7VC, announced that he and YL Kasia, SQ7OYL, would be travelling by car around Scandinavia between July 26th and August 27th. Their trip passes through the following countries: Poland (SP), Lithuania (LY), Lativa (YL), Estonia (ES), Finland (OH), Norway (LA), Sweden (SM), Denmark (OZ), Germany (DL) and back to Poland (SP). See route on QRZ.com. During the trip they are planning to activate about 12-16 IOTA islands and several locators on HF bands, 50, 70, 144 MHz and microwaves. They are going to drive about 9500 km in 30 days. Here are the approximate dates of their activities from various islands and locators:

DATE	CALL	POSITION/IOTA	LOCATOR
July	26-27th	LY/SP7VC	LY- Hamfest KO25GC
July	28-29-30th	YL/SP7VC & ES/SP7VC	Trip LY & ES KO19, KO18 & KO29
July	30-31st	OH/SP7VC	Orslandet Is. EU-097 KO19WX
August	1st	OH/SP7VC	City Salo KP10NJ
August	2nd	OH/SP7VC	Anntoora Is. EU-173 KP01RQ

August 3rd OH/SP7VC Borsskarret Is. EU-101 KP03QE
August 4th OH/SP7VC Hailuoto Is. EU-184 KP25MB
August 5-6th OH/SP7VC Trip to Vardo Island KP26, KP27, KP38,
KP39, KP49 & KQ40
August 6-7th LA/SP7VC Vardo Is. EU-141 KQ50NJ
August 8-10th LA/SP7VC Mageroya Is. EU-044 KQ21VC
August 11-15th LA/SP7VC Loppa Is. EU-044 KQ00QI
August 16th LA/SP7VC Senja Is. EU-046 JP89XF
August 17-18th LA/SP7VC Loffoten Is. EU-076 JP67LC, JP68, JP78
& JP79
August 19th LA/SP7VC Hitra & Froya Is. EU-036 JP43LO
August 20-21st LA/SP7VC Vigra Is. EU-056 JP32BM
August 22nd LA/SP7VC Gurskoy Is. EU-079 JP22VG
August 23rd LA/SP7VC Stord Is. EU-055 JP29QX
August 24th SM/SP7VC Tjotn-Hono Is. EU-043 JO57TQ
August 25th OZ/SP7VC Sjaelland Is. EU-029 JO55PX
August 26th OZ/SP7VC Fyn Is. EU-172 JO55
August 27th DL/SP7VC Trip Hamburg-Lodz

For QSL info, see QRZ.com for SP7VC (PayPal, Mail, LoTW & Bureau).

T33, BANABA ISLAND (Update). The international team of operators who attempted to activate Banaba Island (OC-018) last year has rescheduled their activation of Banaba between November 5-18th. Operators mentioned are Jay/AA4FL, Alan/AD6E, Gerhard/DJ5IW, Franz/DK1II, Dominik/DL5EBE, Axel/DL6KVA, László/HA0NAR, Al/K3VN, Cliff/KD6XH, David/N1EMC (Co-leader), Arnold/N6HC, David/N6HD, Mike/N9NS, Jay/W2IJ (Co-leader), Charlies/W6KK, Ann/WA1S, Robert/WA1F, and Ron/WA6FGV and Chris/VK3FY. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. They will have six stations on the air at two different sites. A OQRS by ClubLog will be available and will be the preferred method to use for your QSL confirmation. Logs will be posted to Logbook Of The World (LoTW) approximately 6 months after the conclusion of the DXpedition. Direct QSLs are via W2IJ. QSLs will also be available direct by the Bureau. For more details, visit the T33A Web page at: http://www.t33a.com/index.htm

VK9C, CHRISTMAS ISLAND. By the time you read this, WIA Director Fred, VK3DAC, will be QRT (as June 4th) as VK9DAC from Christmas Island. However, Fred will again return to the island on June 28th for a DX holiday. Activity will be 80-10 meters SSB (including the WARC bands) using an IC706 with 100 watts into an ATU with a dipole wire antenna and a squid pole vertical. He also will have a VHF and UHF 2 element yagi with him. QSL to: Yarra Valley Amateur Radio Group, 248 Johnston Street, Abbotsford, Victoria, 3067, Australia. An E-QSL is available for confirmed contacts via <vk9dac@...>.

VP2V, BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS (6m Op). Just a reminder that Dave, W9DR, will be active as VP2V/W9DR from the north shore of the Island of Anegada (NA-023) in the British Virgin Islands (FK78TR) between June 14-28th. Activity will be on 50.115 MHz (SSB) and 50.115.6 MHz (CW). He will also be running a beacon on 50.115.6 when the band is not open. Please submit

confirmation request (QSL) to W9DR home address (QRZ.com).

XW, LAOS. Champ, E21EIC (ex-XW1IC), will be working in Laos between June 15th and September 14th. He informs OPDX that he will be active as XW0YJY and will also be in the All Asian DX CW Contest (June 15-16th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. Outside of the contest, Champ's activity will be on 160-2 meters. He mentions also that during this period he will be working between Vientiane, Laos, and Bangkok, Thailand. QSL via E21EIC and LoTW. Visit it his FaceBook and Web page at:
https://www.facebook.com/SomChamp
http://www.e21eic.net/index.php

ZD7, ST. HELENA ISLAND. Bob, VP8LP, is now active as ZD7LP from St. Helena Island (AF-022) until June 14th. Activity this past week was on 17/15/10 meters SSB. QSL only direct to VP8LP.

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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 2nd-June, through Sunday, 9th-June there were 217 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4U1U, 4X, 5B, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5W, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9X, 9Y, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, BV, BY, C3, C5, C6, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, F, FG, FH, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FR, FS, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HC, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J6, JA, JD/o, JT, JX, JY, K, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OJ0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ5, PJ7, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S5, S7, SM, SP, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T32, T7, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TR, TT, TU, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V4, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK9N, VP2E, VP2V, VP5, VP6, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XU, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, Z8, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD8, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS, ZS8

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

5R, MADAGASCAR. Flavio, IW2NEF, will be active as 5R8NE from Nosy-Be Island (AF-057) between July 16-30th. Activity will be on 40-10 meters using SSB, and a FT-857 into a fishing rod antenna at 10 meters. He also plans to be in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th). QSL via IK2DUW.

A2, BOTSWANA. Roger, ZS6RJ, will once again be on a one man DXpedition for 4-5 days in Botswana (WW.Loc KG47AC) as A25RJ starting June 15th. Activity will be from Tuli Block, Eastern Botswana, focusing on 80-10 meters, CW and Roger states, "Look forward to working you in the pile-ups!" QSL via LoTW or direct using the QRZ.com address. There is no bureau service for Botswana.

A5, BHUTAN. Yuki, JH1NBN, will be active as A52W between June 9-19th. Activity will be limited to his spare time because he is there once again on a business trip. Yuki will operate SSB with 100 watts into wire antennas. QSL via JH1NBN direct. For more details, check: http://www.1nbn.net/index.htm

AFFA AVAILABLE (Another WWFF Award). Joao, CU3AA, AFFA Award Manager, is pleased to announce the "Azores Flora Fauna Award" (AFFA). All effort were made to make AFFA recognized as another WWFF award, as well as all its protected areas, since the aim is the same. Unfortunately, such recognition wasn't done as it was expected. However, hoping that soon their efforts might be recognized. They have the recognition and support of the regional authorities. You can access their Web site at: http://www.azoresflorafauna.wix.com/azoresflorafauna
They suggest, "If you wish, leave your thoughts, comments or suggestions."

C8, MOZAMBIQUE (Update/Press Release #2). Tom/N4XP and Don/N1DG, the C82DX DXpedition Co-leaders, posted the following press release (#2) on June 4th on the DXpedition's Web page [edited]: "Planning and preparations are continuing for our October 2013 Mozambique DXpedition. Our license has been issued and is in hand with the callsign C82DX. We are happy to announce this will be the first use of the C82 prefix. We will be active starting October 15th, for eight days with operations ongoing through October 22nd. We are also pleased to announce Ray Novak, N9JA has joined our team.
ZS6P and ZS6RI will travel to our operating site the first week of June for scouting, planning and preparation purposes. Our location in Xai Xai is located directly on the ocean in the southern part of Mozambique. Low Band operations remain the primary objective, and we have secured both Titanex and Battle Creek Special verticals. We have also obtained the sponsorship of Array Solutions with one of their new shared apex loop array RX systems. They join ICOM (our main equipment supplier with IC7600s) and SteppIR (CrankIRs) as our major donors to our DXpedition.
During the day we will operate all HF bands including 6 meters. Our website is now live, <www.c82dx.com>, where you can learn more about our plans."

C9, MOZAMBIQUE. Antonio, EA4GBA, will be active as C91GBA from Matola starting June 27th through December 15th. Activity will be on all HF bands using SSB and a Yaesu FT-857 with 100 watts into a dipole. QSL via EA4GBA direct (w/SAE and 2 USDs). QSL cards will be answered once he arrives back in Spain early 2014.

CANADIAN ARCTIC IOTAS TO BE ACTIVATED! Mike, VE2XB, currently active from the Canadian High Arctic IOTA Dorset Island (NA-156) as VY0BRR

(he states, VY0BRR -- It's FREEZING), is planning to activate other very rare IOTAs within the Region of Nunavut. His QTH is Cape Dorset, an Inuit hamlet located on Dorset Island near Foxe Peninsula at the southern tip of Baffin Island in the Qikiqtaaluk Region of Nunavut, Canada. The Inuktitut name of the village means "high mountains." Mike provides interesting details and history of Cape Dorset and Dorset Island on his Web and QRZ.com pages at:
http://www.qrz.com/db/VY0BRR
http://vy0brr.jimdo.com
Mike is looking to travel to other places in Nunavut, and will activate some very rare IOTAs including: Coral Harbour, Southampton Island (NA-007), Sanikiluaq, Belcher Islands (NA-196), Igloolik (NA-174), Cambridge Bay, Victoria Island (NA-006) and Qikiqtarjuaq, Broughton Island (NA-130). He also adds, "Maybe I will travel to some rare IOTAs in the Northwest Territories or NWT to the West...and maybe to Yukon too. (Vy1)." Activity from these location has not been provided, but in the past Mike was active on 80-10 meters, depending on band conditions, using CW and SSB. QSL via VE2XB with SASE and Canadian stamps or 2 IRCS or 2 USD. See QRZ.com for details and address.

CE0Y, EASTER ISLAND. Jose, CE3YHO, has announced that he is traveling to Easter Island by the end of June in order to live there with his wife (islander) and two sons that actually are living on the Island. Once living there, Jose will install a Ham Radio station on HF, VHF and UHF, and expects to begin operations as CE0YHO at the end of July or August.

DXCC NEWS (NODXA Member's Achievement). Congratulations to NODXA member Scotty, WK3N, for exceeding the 3000 confirmed mark in the ARRL DXCC Challenge. He is the Northern Ohio DX Association's second member to exceed the 3k level with his last submission giving him 3003 confirmed. NODXA's first member to reach 3k was Don, K8MFO. Don has an astounding Challenge total of 3144. The ARRL DXCC Challenge presently has 73 members from 19 countries with 3k or more confirmed QSOs. They are to be commended for an achievement that takes a lifetime.

DXCC NEWS. Bill Moore, NC1L, ARRL Awards Branch Manager, reports that the following operation is approved for DXCC credit:
VU7KV ☐ Lakshadweep Islands (DXCC Entity Code ☐ 142); May 2013 operation

Note: If anyone had this contact rejected in a recent submission send an E-mail to <bmoore@...g> to be placed on the list for an update to your record.

EF8, CANARY ISLANDS. Luis, EA8AY, will be active as EF8X from Tenerife Island (IOTA AF-004, DIE S-012, WLOTA 1276, EAA TF) during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th) as a Single-Op/All-band entry. QSL via W2GR. Visit his Web site at: http://www.ea8ay.com/ef8x

FS, ST. MARTIN. Just a reminder that John, K9EL, will once again activate FS/K9EL from St. Martin (NA-105, DIFO FS-001, WLOTA 0383, WW Loc. FK88) between June 11-28th. Activity will be on 80-6 meters. Daily uploads to ClubLog and LoTW are planned. John has a new QTH this year and should

have a better signal to the USA on 6 meters. QSL via his home callsign.

H44, SOLOMON ISLANDS. Gregory, VK1AI, has once again returned to Honiara on June 3rd, and is active as H44PA until June 30th. Activity will probably be on 20/17/15 meters CW mainly. QSL via VK1AI, direct or by the Bureau. ADDED NOTE: Gregory states, "Cards for my 2012 operation are ready for dispatch to the Bureau. Anyone wanting a card direct is welcome to do so."

H44, SOLOMON ISLANDS (IOTA Op/Update to OPDX.1103/1104/1105). By the time you read this, operators Ralph/5W0W/H44RK, Maggie/H44MK (the only local YL Ham from Sikiana), Stan/SQ8X, Dom/SQ9KWW and Tom/WL7HP will be active as H44IOTA from Florida Islands (OC-158) as part of their IOTA tour until June 13th. Their next stop is from the very rare Stewart Island (OC-285) between June 17-24th. ADD NOTE (From their Web Page): "The H44IOTA Team informs that plans to activate IOTA OC-285 between June 4-7th, 2013 by H44S and H44AJ are not associated with 'H44IOTA DXpedition' nor 'The Pacific C3 Project'. The H44IOTA Team continues their plans as scheduled. We□re really looking forward to make contacts with IOTA chasers from all islands as planned." Remember, activities will be on 80-10 meters using CW and SSB. See OPDX.1104 for frequencies. All QSL requests are via QSL Manager Rex Turvin, NR6M. For updates it is suggested to watch:
http://www.qrz.com/db/H40RK
The group now has a Web, Twitter and FaceBook page at:
http://www.h44iota.com
https://twitter.com/h44iota
https://www.facebook.com/pages/H44-IOTA-DXpedition/136003426577924

IB2, ITLAY (Special Event). Members of the ARI Lomazzo "Project DX Team" are celebrating the 20th anniversary of the foundation. Look for all its members to use the special callsign IB2PDT between June 21st and July 7th, and between September 20th and October 6th. The event's main goal is to celebrate the anniversary, but also to remember and give a tribute to all the founders. All the QSOs will be sincerely appreciated, and also SWL reports. The QSL is sure via the Bureau to IQ2LZ.

II8, ITALY (Late Announcement, LH Op!). Alex, IK8YFU, and other Calabria DX Team members were expected to be active as II8LH on June 8th, from the Capo Vaticano lighthouse (WAIL CL-005, ARLHS ITA-047), located in Ricadi (VV)Vibo Valentia Province, Calabria region, Italy. QSL via the Bureau to HB9FHZ (USKA Bureau). QSL via IK8YFU direct. E-QSL Authenticity is guaranteed. Also LoTW. For more info, see: http://www.calabriadxteam.it

IOTA NEWS.....
AF-019. Emilio, IZ1GAR, will be active as IH9R from Pantelleria Island (IIA TP-001, WLOTA 0041) during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. Pantelleria counts as Multiplier Zone 33 Africa Italy for the CQWW DX rule (islands are located over the African continent platform). QSL via IZ1GAR, direct or by the Bureau.

AS-043. Ted, JF1CCH, will be active as JF1CCH/1 from Hachijo Island between June 14-17th. Activity will be on the usual IOTA frequencies operating mainly CW. QSL via his home callsign.

AS-147. The "425 DX News" reports that Taka, JA8COE, will be active as JA8COE/8 from Yagishiri Island on June 20-24th (weather permitting) and again on July 25-29th, for the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th). QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

EU-038. Marcel, PD5MVH, will once again be active as PD5MVH/P from Vlieland Island between August 31st and September 14th. Activity will be on 40/20/10 meters SSB. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau. NO LoTW or eQSL.

EU-093. Manel, EA3EGB, will be active as EA3EGB/5 from Benidorm Island (DIE E-007, WW Loc. JM08) and lighthouse (FEA E-0172, WLH EA-003, WLOL SPA-165, WLOTA 3329, Admiralty E 0172) on June 16th. Activity will be on 40-6 meters using SSB and RTTY. Benidorm Island is located in the Province of Alicante. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

EU-129. Operators Hardy/DL3KWF, Bert/DK3BK, Gun/DF2TG and Roland/DL9GMN will be active as DM3X/P from Görmitz Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th) as a Multi-Op/Low-Power entry. QSL via the Bureau.

EU-137. Lars, SM6CUK, will be active as SA6G/7 from Ven Island (WLOTA 0780) between June 10-17th. Activity will be holiday style on the HF bands. QSL via SM6CUK, by the Bureau or direct.

EU-177. Olaf, G0CKV, will be active as SM5CKV/P from Harstena Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th) as a Single-Op/ CW-Mode entry. QSL via G0CKV.

NA-058. Tad, WF4W, informs OPDX that a group of 10-12 operators will activate Sapelo Island (USA738 and USA1014) as K4S in the Georgia State IOTA Group between September 12-14th. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK. QSL via LoTW, eQSL and direct (w/SASE or IRC) only. Information good on QRZ.com.

NA-067. Nathan, N4YDU, will be active from Ocracoke Island between July 25-28th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using CW and SSB. Operations will also include the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power/Assisted entry using the callsign W4O. QSL via N4YDU direct only.

NA-143. Bodo, DF8DX, will be active as KT3Q/5 from Galveston Island between July 27-29th. Activity will include the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th) as a Single-Op/CW-Mode/12-Hour/Low-Power/DXpedition entry. QSL via DF8DX, direct, by the Bureau or LoTW. ADDED NOTE: Before the contest, look for Bodo to be

active between July 19-20th as KT3Q/6 from Anacapa Island
(NA-144), and between July 26-27th as KT3Q/5 in the Texas
State West IOTA Group (NA-092).

NA-181. Operators Klaus/VE7KDU and Frank/VE7DP, who were expected to
activate the Estevan Islands (Barnard Island) as homecall/7
between June 7-9th, had to postpone their operation due to
bad weather and a high K index.

NA-204. (Update) The Cuban T46A group will activate the special callsign
T46C from Santa Maria Island between June 13-17th. The operators
mentioned are Ore/CO6LC, Jose/CO6EC, Yordany/CO6YAC, Amaurys/
CO6WYR, CL6RLD and Luis/CO6LP. They will try to maintain 2-3
stations [one CW, one SSB and one RTTY] on the air transmitting
on 160-10 meters, including 30/17/12 meters, using CW, SSB and
RTTY, into yagis, beverages and verticals. For the 80m and 160m
bands, they will only have one band on at a time and mainly CW
because of their antenna. QSL via EA5GL.

OC-177. Operators Joy/YB0NSI, Jeffrey/YC0LOU and possibly one other
will be active from Damar Island (Edam Island) and the Vast
Licht lighthouse (WLOTA 2749) between June 27-30th. Activity
will be on 80/40/15/10 meters (and possibly 30/17/12m) using
CW, SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via YB0JZS. More details
are expected to be forthcoming. For more details and updates,
watch: http://ye0edam.blogspot.com

OC-285. (Late Info) Operators Nando/IT9YRE and Mike/K9AJ were active
this past week (June 4-6th) from Sikaiana Atoll as H44S and
H44AJ, respectively. They had to QRT early because of bad
weather, but they made some 5945 QSOs. For more details, see:
http://www.it9yre.it/h44

JD1, MINAMI TORISHIMA. Take, JG8NQJ, will once again be active as JG8NQJ/JD1
from Marcus Island in the Minami Torishima (OC-073, JCG 10007) group for
the next few days in the month of June. He is there to work on the island's
weather station. Activity will be mainly on 17/15/12/10 meters CW. QSL via
his home callsign, by the Bureau or direct to JA8CJY: Susumu 'Sin' Sanada,
5-17, 5-4, Shin-Ei, Toyohira, Sapporo 004, Japan. Online log is available
at: http://dx.qsl.net/cgi-bin/logform.cgi?jd1-jg8nqj

KH6, HAWAII. Alex, F4GHS, will be active as KH6/F4GHS from the Hawaiian
Islands (OC-019) between August 3-23rd. Activity will be holiday style
on 80-10 meters using SSB and an Icom IC-706MKIIG into G5RV antenna.
While there, Alex will be activating the various islands in the Hawaii
Islands IOTA Group: Oahu (August 3-7th), Kauai (August 7-12th), Maui
(August 12-18th) and the Island of Hawaii [Big Island] (August 18-23rd).
QSL via F0GAZ direct.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (June 10-16th)....
Jun/10th AN Jun/13th HN Jun/15th AN
Jun/11th AN-HN Jun/14th AN Jun/16th AN

Jun/12th HN

SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS/INDEXES AND GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE
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NORMALITY	GEOMAG	K Values	Alpha
AN - Above Normal	Quiet	K=0-1	0-7
HN - High Normal	Unsettled	K=2	8-15
LN - Low Normal	Active	K=3	16-29
BN - Below Normal	Minor Storm	K=4	30-49
DIS - Disturbed	Major Storm	K=5	50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed	Severe Storm	K=6-9	100-400

MJ, JERSEY. Operators Jo/PA9JO, Alex/PA1AW and Ron/PA3EWP will be active as MJ/homecall from the Jersey Amateur Radio Society at the old German signal station at La Moye on Jersey (EU-013, WW. Loc. IN89ve) between June 20-24th. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using all modes. QSL via LoTW or direct (all callsigns) to Alex, PA1AW. A OQRS will be available on their Web page at: http://www.cqfriends.com/mj2013

MU0, GUERNSEY (Contest/Satellite Op). Operators Peter/2E0SQL, Louis/2U0FER, Jimmy/M0MJH, Iain/M0PCB, Daniel/M0TCB and Steve/M0SPF will be active as MU0THJ from Guernsey Island (IOTA EU-114) during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th) as a Multi-Op entry. QSL via 2E0SQL. ADDED NOTE: Look for Peter, 2E0SQL, to be active as 2U0SQL/P between July 25-30th. He plans to be active on the satellites. QSL via his home callsign, direct, by the Bureau or LoTW.

OG0, ALAND ISLAND. "The Daily DX" reports that operators Pertti/OH2BEE/OG2W and Raimo/OH2BCI will be active from the OH0Z station <www.oh0z.net> on Aland Islands (EU-002) between June 14-17th. While using Pertti's, OG0W, callsign, look for activity on 160-10 meters (no WARC-79 Bands) using CW only. Their activity will also include the All Asia DX CW Contest. QSL via OH2BEE direct. Also QSL via LoTW or eQSL.

OL140, CZECH REPUBLIC (Special Event). A group of Czech operators are now active as OL140FIRE from the Fire Brigade in Horni Marsov until June 15th. Activity is to celebrate the 140th anniversary of Fire Brigade in Horni Marsov and the meeting of volunteer Fire Brigades "Hasicske Slavnosti 2013" (which was cancelled due to ongoing floods - see QRZ.com for pictures) in Litomerice. They would like all licensed hams which are members of a professional and volunteer Fire brigades, active or retired, all around the world to call them. Every QSO with OL140FIRE will be confirmed with "thematic" QSL card. QSL via OK5AM, by the Bureau or direct. An award is available, see QRZ.com for details.

OX, GREENLAND (Update). An international group of YLs will once again activate amateur radio from Kangerlussuaq between August 16-20th. Their callsign will be OX5YL. Operators mentioned are Unni/LA6RHA, Mio/JR3MVF, Chae/HL1KDW, Kay/WA0WOF and Solveig/SM6KAT. QSL via PY5YL, direct or by the Bureau. The last YL expedition was in 2010 and was very successful. For more information, visit their Web site at:

http://home.online.no/~la6rha/greenland2013.htm

P4, ARUBA. John, W2GD, will be active as P40W from Santa Cruz, Aruba (SA-036, WLOTA 0033), during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th). Operating class is to be determined. QSL via LoTW or N2MM (QRZ.com). Look for some 30/17/12 meters and 160 meters operations before the contest as time permits. PLEASE NOTE: 60m operation is NOT authorized on Aruba. Log will be posted to LoTW within two weeks. ALSO, John plans to end responding to P40W QSL card requests by the end of 2013. Confirmations for P40W only via LoTW thereafter.

P5, NORTH KOREA (P5 PROJECT). Paul, N6PSE, was reported to be on his way to Beijing on June 5th, then on to Pyongyang, North Korea, to begin the negotiations for a DPRK DXpedition. David, AH6HY, is expected to join the efforts later sometime this week. Updates can be seen on the following socail medias: https://twitter.com/N6PSE
http://www.intrepid-dx.com/p5
https://www.facebook.com/pages/The-Intrepid-DX-Group/180857615282553

PJ4, BONAIRE (Update). Armin, DL1DI, will be active as PJ4D from Bonaire (SA-006, WLOTA LH-1279) between June 22nd and July 10th. He will be there on holiday. Activity will be on 80-10 meters SSB using a Spiderbeam and FD4 from Fritzel with 100 watts. QSL via DL1DI, direct or by the Bureau. Sorry no eQSL or LoTW.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (For June 8th)

9H1EU via 9H1BT FO8WBB via N6JA PJ2LS via ED7DX
A41KJ via NI5DX GB4JDF via 2D0YLX RC3EPC via RW3EW
AO1WED via EA1WD GB100RXY via G4USW & (e) S573DX via S57DX
CS5MAR via EA7JX HA30IGY via HA5OKE & (e) SL8SUB via SM6DQR
CT7/F9IE via F9IE HZ1ZH via EA7FTR SV5/OM3AG/P via OM3AG
CT8/S51TA via S51TA LA/OK7CW via OK1FPG TM0BIG via F4FET
E7/OK4ZW via OK1UZW NA1DX via K3IRV & (L) TM1EJ via F5YD
E720SRRS via E70EPC OE200TH via OE3PVC TM8YT via F5KLJ
EA6/PE1LWT via PE1LWT OL13VBD via OK1MP TM77A via HB9SLU
ED2URT via EA2BR OL140FIRE via (B) VP2V/K6TOP via K6TOP
ES8/YL3BU/P via YL3BU OZ/DL1ANT/P via DL1ANT YL0WANTED via ES2TT
(e) eQSL only (d) direct only (B) Bureau only (L) LoTW only

TX5K QSL STATUS (Press Release), QSL Manager Bob, N2OO, reports: "The TX5K QSLs for the March Clipperton Island DXpedition should start to flow out sometime around the end of June. Although it has only been about 2 ½ months since the DXpedition ended, there has been some 'interest' in the status of the QSL process. We are a little behind due to a com-bination of reasons beginning with delays getting the design started due to the XE1L situation, and normal post-DXpedition craziness. Then there were some simple unfortunate timing issues with each of us involved in the process. However, I am happy to report that the card design is almost done, and once proofed will be sent to our printer (WZ8P) who

is ready to go. Once printed, the cards will be divided between the two primary QSL Managers and processed by 'teams' at both locations. OQRS requests by Dean, N7XG (in Oregon), and direct mail requests by N2OO (in New Jersey). Since Club Log and our new processing software automatically matches log data, Dean's job is to simply print, peel and stick labels, add address labels and stuff envelopes. His team has already prepped for the process. Bob, N2OO's, team consists of 4 experienced 'processors' who must manually process each mailed request. We have already 'pre-processed' about ½ of the mail received and continue to work on it daily. So, we appreciate your patience while we gear up for the big QSL push on both coasts! We just wanted everyone to know that we are 'actively' working on the TX5K QSLs. Please save your 'inquiries' until after you hear that we are 'current' on the processing. THANKS! See ya' in the Pileups!.... Bob Schenck, N2OO"

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 5B4AJC, 5B75FOC, 5H1DX, 5Z4/DL1QW, 5T0SP, 8P6SH, AC2BF/KH2, AO6FOC, D4C, DJ5MW, FG4NO, GH3IT, GT4FOC, HC6EP, IS0FOC, J75KG, JH1GBZ, JK3HLP, KH6FOC, PJ2T, PJ4/NA2AA, PJ7MF, PY2KC, R75FOC, R9FM, SG8X, SQ6ODD, TM6FOC, VA7DX, YJ0PO, ZM1A and ZS6X

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 9M4SLL, A3EAQ, BY1WXD/0, ES1QD, J39BS, J35X, JS6RRR, JX9JKA, PJ4NX, PT0S, V85XD, V85TZ, VK9CZ, VP2EMR and VK9NN

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 3B9SP, 3W2J, 3Y8XSA, 4U1UN, 4U64UN, 5D7AT, 5H9IR, 5L2MS, 6W/PD9DX, 8Q7AU, 9G1AA, 9G5ZS, 9H3YT, 9M2MRS, 9U7T, AH0/KH2, C56FR, CN2OS, CN8LOP/P, CU2/SM7EQL, CU5CQ, D44TIB, EA8/SA6G, ED9M, GJ/PD1RP, HC2/SM6FKF, HS0ZBS, HZ0ZJF/9, IS0TKQ, J45O, LX/PA3EZC/P, MJ/PD1RP, MU/PA9M, OL2HQ, P29VCX, P4/PG4DX, P40A, PJ4J, PJ4M, SV5/SM8C, SV9/ON6DSL/P, TF/PD9DX, TK4DS, TK5WL, VU2UR, XU7AFU, XU7KOH, XU7TZG, Z60K, ZR6MS, ZS08TV, ZS1A, ZS1ACH, ZS1AGF, ZS1ANF, ZS1EL, ZS1JX, ZS1L, ZS1ROM, ZS1SR, ZS2ACP, ZS2CR, ZS2DK, ZS2DL, ZS2I, ZS2J, ZS4GB, ZS5NK, ZS5XT, ZS6AIB, ZS6AKU, ZS6BAF, ZS6BOX, ZS6BQI, ZS6GAV, ZS6IQ, ZS6ME, ZS6NJ, ZS6P, ZS6RJ, ZS6UT and ZS6WR

SCANDINAVIAN AND IOTA TOUR. Przemy "Mek", SP7VC, announced that he and YL Kasia, SQ7OYL, would be travelling by car around Scandinavia between July 26th and August 27th. Their trip passes through the following countries: Poland (SP), Lithuania (LY), Lativa (YL), Estonia (ES), Finland (OH), Norway (LA), Sweden (SM), Denmark (OZ), Germany (DL) and back to Poland (SP). See route on QRZ.com. During the trip they are planning to activate about 12-16 IOTA islands and several locators on HF bands, 50, 70, 144 MHz and microwaves. They are going to drive about 9500 km in 30 days. Here are the approximate dates of their activities from various islands and locators:

DATE	CALL	POSITION/IOTA	LOCATOR
July 26-27th	LY/SP7VC	LY- Hamfest	KO25GC
July 28-29-30th	YL/SP7VC & ES/SP7VC	Trip LY & ES	KO19, KO18 & KO29
July 30-31st	OH/SP7VC	Orslandet Is. EU-097	KO19WX
August 1st	OH/SP7VC	City Salo	KP10NJ
August 2nd	OH/SP7VC	Anntoora Is. EU-173	KP01RQ

August 3rd OH/SP7VC Borsskarret Is. EU-101 KP03QE
August 4th OH/SP7VC Hailuoto Is. EU-184 KP25MB
August 5-6th OH/SP7VC Trip to Vardo Island KP26, KP27, KP38,
KP39, KP49 & KQ40
August 6-7th LA/SP7VC Vardo Is. EU-141 KQ50NJ
August 8-10th LA/SP7VC Mageroya Is. EU-044 KQ21VC
August 11-15th LA/SP7VC Loppa Is. EU-044 KQ00QI
August 16th LA/SP7VC Senja Is. EU-046 JP89XF
August 17-18th LA/SP7VC Loffoten Is. EU-076 JP67LC, JP68, JP78
& JP79
August 19th LA/SP7VC Hitra & Froya Is. EU-036 JP43LO
August 20-21st LA/SP7VC Vigra Is. EU-056 JP32BM
August 22nd LA/SP7VC Gurskoy Is. EU-079 JP22VG
August 23rd LA/SP7VC Stord Is. EU-055 JP29QX
August 24th SM/SP7VC Tjotn-Hono Is. EU-043 JO57TQ
August 25th OZ/SP7VC Sjaelland Is. EU-029 JO55PX
August 26th OZ/SP7VC Fyn Is. EU-172 JO55
August 27th DL/SP7VC Trip Hamburg-Lodz

For QSL info, see QRZ.com for SP7VC (PayPal, Mail, LoTW & Bureau).

T33, BANABA ISLAND (Update). The international team of operators who attempted to activate Banaba Island (OC-018) last year has rescheduled their activation of Banaba between November 5-18th. Operators mentioned are Jay/AA4FL, Alan/AD6E, Gerhard/DJ5IW, Franz/DK1II, Dominik/DL5EBE, Axel/DL6KVA, László/HA0NAR, Al/K3VN, Cliff/KD6XH, David/N1EMC (Co-leader), Arnold/N6HC, David/N6HD, Mike/N9NS, Jay/W2IJ (Co-leader), Charlies/W6KK, Ann/WA1S, Robert/WA1F, and Ron/WA6FGV and Chris/VK3FY. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. They will have six stations on the air at two different sites. A OQRS by ClubLog will be available and will be the preferred method to use for your QSL confirmation. Logs will be posted to Logbook Of The World (LoTW) approximately 6 months after the conclusion of the DXpedition. Direct QSLs are via W2IJ. QSLs will also be available direct by the Bureau. For more details, visit the T33A Web page at: http://www.t33a.com/index.htm

VK9C, CHRISTMAS ISLAND. By the time you read this, WIA Director Fred, VK3DAC, will be QRT (as June 4th) as VK9DAC from Christmas Island. However, Fred will again return to the island on June 28th for a DX holiday. Activity will be 80-10 meters SSB (including the WARC bands) using an IC706 with 100 watts into an ATU with a dipole wire antenna and a squid pole vertical. He also will have a VHF and UHF 2 element yagi with him. QSL to: Yarra Valley Amateur Radio Group, 248 Johnston Street, Abbotsford, Victoria, 3067, Australia. An E-QSL is available for confirmed contacts via <vk9dac@...>.

VP2V, BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS (6m Op). Just a reminder that Dave, W9DR, will be active as VP2V/W9DR from the north shore of the Island of Anegada (NA-023) in the British Virgin Islands (FK78TR) between June 14-28th. Activity will be on 50.115 MHz (SSB) and 50.115.6 MHz (CW). He will also be running a beacon on 50.115.6 when the band is not open. Please submit

confirmation request (QSL) to W9DR home address (QRZ.com).

XW, LAOS. Champ, E21EIC (ex-XW1IC), will be working in Laos between June 15th and September 14th. He informs OPDX that he will be active as XW0YJY and will also be in the All Asian DX CW Contest (June 15-16th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. Outside of the contest, Champ's activity will be on 160-2 meters. He mentions also that during this period he will be working between Vientiane, Laos, and Bangkok, Thailand. QSL via E21EIC and LoTW. Visit it his FaceBook and Web page at:
https://www.facebook.com/SomChamp
http://www.e21eic.net/index.php

ZD7, ST. HELENA ISLAND. Bob, VP8LP, is now active as ZD7LP from St. Helena Island (AF-022) until June 14th. Activity this past week was on 17/15/10 meters SSB. QSL only direct to VP8LP.

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Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@...?subject=unsubscribe>
OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):
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ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB PAGES AT:
http://www.nodxa.org
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21294. Re: [DX-IS] Splicing wire in a dipole question

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-06-10 02:45:19 UTC
From: dale cole
Topic: 21253 Message: 21294

I agree with Paul. Infact during November SS used to tack on a piece on my radials (rooftop) to go from ssb from cw. I kept them around for year after year use, and worked fine.

Dale K8TS

From: John Geiger (AF5CC) <af5cc@...>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Sat, June 1, 2013 6:52:56 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Splicing wire in a dipole question

Hi Paul,

Thanks for the feedback. Glad to hear it will work ok. I took some sandpaper to it to get the oxidation off of it, and overlapped a few inches on each wire to splice them together.

73 John AF5CC

----- Original Message -----
>From: Paul M Dunphy
>To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
>Sent: Saturday, June 01, 2013 10:08 PM
>Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Splicing wire in a dipole question
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>On 6/1/2013 6:58 PM, John Geiger (AF5CC) wrote:
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>> My dipole had an unfortuate encounter with a neighbor's tree branch on
>> Wednesday evening during a storm, and is now going to require some
>> repair or replacing. One option is to fix it by splicing a few pieces
>> of copper wire together. This is the cheap option. However, could this
>> cause problems later on? I am wondering if the junctions of the wire
>> could corrode and start acting like a diode, throwing out RFI all over
>> the place?
>> Could this happen, or is splicing copper wire in a dipole usually ok?
>> 73 John AF5CC
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>John,
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>I've been doing this for 27 years. Works A-OK. I almost always
>use bare wire, not insulated, for dipoles, but both will work.

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>I used to solder them together at the splice point, but in the past
>8-10 years I just twist them together with a pair of pliers. I make a
>strong mechanical connection with quite a few twists, but no solder.
>Why? Because in years past I found subsequent breaks occurred at or
>near the solder joint. My theory is that the heat from soldering made
>the copper wire brittle. Since I stopped soldering, I have had zero
>breaks anywhere close to the splice.
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>None of my dipoles, soldered or not, have ever exhibited any diode
>like effects.
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>73, Paul VE1DX
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21295. Duplicate Bulletins

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-06-09 20:51:33 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 21295 Message: 21295

Sorry guys (and gals) for the duplicate bulletins.
Not sure what happen. Bulletin got stuck in the Mailbox
and I hit send again. Result -- two bulletins.....
Sorry again and 73 de Tedd KB8NW

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21296. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-06-10 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21296

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:Issued: 2013 Jun 10 1242 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30610
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 10 Jun 2013, 1206UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 10 Jun 2013 until 12 Jun 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 10 Jun 2013 10CM FLUX: 093 / AP: 011
PREDICTIONS FOR 11 Jun 2013 10CM FLUX: 090 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 12 Jun 2013 10CM FLUX: 088 / AP: 007
COMMENT:Solar activity has been very low in the past 24 hours, with only a B4.1
flare in NOAA AR 1765 at 1018 UT (peak time), on June 9. This region is now
classified as beta, but is still capable of producing C flares, which
justifies the eruptive conditions foreseen for the next 48 hours.
Geomagnetic conditions are currently unsettled to active at local and
planetary levels. ACE observations show relatively strong variations of the
Bz component of the interplanetary magnetic field, down to -10 nT early on
June 10, but currently attenuating. A very small step in the solar wind
speed around 0200 UT, associated with the beginning of this unsettled
period, hints at the arrival of a very attenuated shock, possibly the
eastern edge of the CME associated with the M flare of June 7. We expect
mostly quiet conditions for the next 48 hours.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 020, BASED ON 11 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 09 Jun 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 096
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 019
AK WINGST : 012
ESTIMATED AP : 011
ESTIMATED ISN : 027, BASED ON 13 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21297. JT65 on 80m anyone?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-06-11 05:53:25 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 21297 Message: 21297

Hi Guys,

I have a very very modest setup on 80m, an inverted V @ 12m.

I have had some success to ZS and EU around my Sunrise.
I would like to drum up some interest and am offering Zone 29 on 80m!
I have worked into NA on CW, so I reckon given the right time (before NA SR) JT65 would work too.

If you are interested, I am a regular on the K3UK page
http://www.obriensweb.com/sked/index.php?board=lotw
and can QRV from 1130z (earlier if sked made).

73, Lance - VK6DU

21298. RE: [DX-IS] JT65 on 80m anyone?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-06-11 12:37:23 UTC
From: KQ8M
Topic: 21297 Message: 21298

Lance,

I would love to work you on 80 as Z29 is one I need there but with S9 plus a lot of static crashes, 80 at this time of year is
pretty difficult. We will have to wait until fall when things calm down a bit.

73,

Tim Herrick, KQ8M

Charter Member North Coast Contesters

kq8m@...

AR-Cluster V6 kq8m.no-ip.org

User Ports: 23, 7373 with local skimmer, 7374 without local skimmer

Server Ports: V6 3607, V4 Active 3605, V4 Passive 3606

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Lance Martin
Sent: Tuesday, June 11, 2013 1:53 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] JT65 on 80m anyone?

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73, Lance - VK6DU

21299. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-06-11 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21299

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:Issued: 2013 Jun 11 1232 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30611
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 11 Jun 2013, 1206UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 11 Jun 2013 until 13 Jun 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Quiet conditions (<50% probability of C-class flares)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 11 Jun 2013 10CM FLUX: 089 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 12 Jun 2013 10CM FLUX: 085 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 13 Jun 2013 10CM FLUX: 082 / AP: 007
COMMENT:Solar activity was moderate during the past 24 hours, with one noticeable
event, a C1.9 flare, occurring in NOAA AR 1765, on June 10, at 14:24 UT
peak time. It was accompanied by a small EUV coronal wave and a metric type
II burst. Despite a data gap in coronagraphic data from STEREO and SOHO,
around the time of the event, there is a hint around 1554 UT (STEREO COR2
A) of a small narrow CME possibly associated with this flare, but it seems
to quickly vanish. NOAA AR 1765 decreased both in terms of sunspot number
and area, and maintains a simple beta magnetic configuration. Being the
only region on the disk, we expect therefore quiet conditions for flares,
with a small chance of a C class event from this region. Geomagnetic
activity is expected to be low for the next 48 hours. Current
interplanetary conditions, as measured by ACE are quiet.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 010, BASED ON 11 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 10 Jun 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 040
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 093
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 014
AK WINGST : 012
ESTIMATED AP : 014
ESTIMATED ISN : 016, BASED ON 17 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21300. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-06-12 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21300

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:Issued: 2013 Jun 12 1138 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30612
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 12 Jun 2013, 1106UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 12 Jun 2013 until 14 Jun 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 12 Jun 2013 10CM FLUX: 090 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 13 Jun 2013 10CM FLUX: 093 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 14 Jun 2013 10CM FLUX: 095 / AP: 007
COMMENT:Current solar conditions are extremely quiet, with a low B-level background
for the GOES SXR flux. There are currently two active regions on the Sun:
NOAA AR 1765, close to the west limb, and a new region which emerged on
June 11, close to the central meridian (Catania Region 98). There is a
small chance of a C flare from AR 1765, but one should monitor the
evolution of Cat. 98, as it is already complex enough to produce C flares.
Current interplanetary conditions are quiet and the geomagnetic activity is
low. We expect quiet geomagnetic conditions to persist for the next 48
hours.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 020, BASED ON 06 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 11 Jun 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 015
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 090
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 014
AK WINGST : 007
ESTIMATED AP : 007
ESTIMATED ISN : 010, BASED ON 15 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21301. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-06-13 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21301

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:Issued: 2013 Jun 13 1317 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30613
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 13 Jun 2013, 1306UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 13 Jun 2013 until 15 Jun 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 13 Jun 2013 10CM FLUX: 096 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 14 Jun 2013 10CM FLUX: 097 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 15 Jun 2013 10CM FLUX: 100 / AP: 007
COMMENT:Flaring activity was low for the past 24 hours, the strongest event being a
B9.3 flare occurring in NOAA AR 1768 on June 13, 1006 UT peak time. A
partial halo CME was observed on the same day around 0400 UT on LASCO, but
observations indicate a backside event. Finally, a polar crown filament, in
the southern hemisphere partially erupted on June 13, around 1200UT;
coronagraphic observations of the event are not yet available. We foresee
eruptive conditions for the next 48 hours, with a risk of a C flare from
NOAA AR 1768. We currently have very quiet geomagnetic conditions. It is
expected that this situation will prevail in the next 48 hours.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 039, BASED ON 14 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 12 Jun 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 031
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 093
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 008
AK WINGST : 005
ESTIMATED AP : 004
ESTIMATED ISN : 020, BASED ON 19 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
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21302. ARLD024 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-06-13 21:50:06 UTC
From: jjreisert@...
Topic: 4797 Message: 21302

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ARLD024 DX news

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DX Bulletin 24 ARLD024
>From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT June 13, 2013
To all radio amateurs

SB DX ARL ARLD024
ARLD024 DX news

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by E20YLM, NC1L, The Weekly DX, the OPDX Bulletin, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, DXNL, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

BOTSWANA, A2. Roger, ZS6RJ, will be QRV as A25RJ from Tuli Block beginning June 15 and be here for 4 or 5 days. Activity will be on 80 to 10 meters using CW and RTTY. QSL direct to home call.

BHUTAN, A5. Yuki, JH1NBN is QRV as A52W until June 19. Activity is mainly on 40, 20, 17 and 15 meters using SSB. QSL direct to home call.

CHILE, CE. Members of the Chilean Pacific DX Group are QRV as XR80PDI during June to commemorate the 80th anniversary of the Chilean Investigation Police. Activity is on all bands using SSB, RTTY and PSK31. QSL via XQ7UP.

ST. MARTIN, FS. John, K9EL is QRV as FS/K9EL until June 28. Activity is on 80 to 6 meters. QSL to home call.

SOLOMON ISLANDS, H4. A group of operators will be QRV as H44IOTA from Stewart Island, IOTA OC-285, from June 17 to 24. Activity will be on 80 to 10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via NR6M.

HONDURAS, HR. Look for a group of operators to be QRV as HQ8S from Swan Island, IOTA NA-035, from June 16 to 25. Activity will be on the HF bands using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL direct via KD4POJ.

THAILAND, HS. Members of the Radio Amateur Association of Khon Kaen are QRV as HS4AK until June 17 in celebration of the association's 22nd anniversary. Activity is on 40 to 10 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK. This includes being a Multi/Single entry in the All Asian DX CW contest. QSL via E20YLM.

MINAMI TORISHIMA, JD1. Take, JG8NQJ is QRV as JD1NQJ/JD1 from Marcus Island, IOTA OC-073, while on work assignment at the local weather station. Activity is in his spare time on 17 to 10 meters using mainly CW with some SSB. QSL direct via JA8CJY.

SVALBARD, JW. Svein, LA9JKA may be QRV as JW9JKA from Bear Island, IOTA EU-027, from June 16 until mid December. Activity will be in his spare time on the HF and VHF bands. QSL direct to home call.

MARIANA ISLANDS, KH0. Tony, JA6CNL will be QRV as KH0N from Saipan, IOTA OC-086, during the All Asian DX CW contest. QSL to home call.

ALAND ISLANDS, OH0. Pete, OH2BEE and Raimo, OH2BCI are QRV as OG0W until June 17. Activity is on 160 to 10 meters using only CW. This includes being active in the All Asian DX CW contest. QSL via OH2BEE.

BELGIUM, ON. Ivo, ON7IVO will be QRV from the castle Zandvliet during the World Castles Weekend. QSL to home call.

BRAZIL, PY. Special event station PS2013CCB will be QRV from June 15 to 30 during Brazil's hosting of this year's FIFA Confederations Cup. Activity will be on 40 to 10 meters using CW, SSB and various digital modes. QSL via PS7AB.

POLAND, SP. Special event station SN675B is QRV until June 30 in commemoration of the town of Blonie gaining city rights under the Magdeburg Law back in 1338. QSL via SP5KOG.

EGYPT, SU. Vlad, UA4WHX is now QRV as SU9VB. Of late he has been active on 17 meters. QSL to home call.

TURKEY, TA. Kadri, TA1D will be QRV in the IARU Region 1 50 MHz contest from grid locator KM39bp. QSL to home call.

CORSICA, TK. Ale, IW5ELA will be QRV as TK/IW5ELA from June 15 to 19. Activity will be holiday style on the HF bands, QSL via bureau.

BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS, VP2V. Dave, W9DR is QRV as VP2V/W9DR from the north shore of Anegada Island, IOTA NA-023, until June 28. Activity is on 6 meters using CW and SSB. QSL to home call.

LAOS, XW. Champ, E21EIC will be QRV as XW0YJY from June 15 to September 14 while on work assignment. Activity will be on 160 to 2 meters. This includes being a Single Op/All Band/Low Power entry in the All Asian DX CW contest. QSL to home call.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. Kid's Day SSB Contest, NCCC RTTY Sprint, NCCC Sprint CW Ladder, All Asian DX CW Contest, IARU Region 1 50 MHz Contest, SMIRK Contest, Ukrainian DX Classic RTTY Contest, AGCW VHF/UHF Contest, QRP ARCI QRP Shootout, Stew Perry Topband CW Challenge, World Castles Weekend, West Virginia QSO Party, Feld Hell Sprint and the WAB 50 MHz Phone are all scheduled for this upcoming

weekend. The Run for the Bacon QRP CW Contest and NAQCC-EU Monthly CW Sprint are scheduled for June 17. Please see June QST, page 79 and the ARRL and WA7BNM Contest websites for details.
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21303. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
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:Issued: 2013 Jun 14 1203 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
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SIDC URSIGRAM 30614
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 14 Jun 2013, 1206UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 14 Jun 2013 until 16 Jun 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 14 Jun 2013 10CM FLUX: 105 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 15 Jun 2013 10CM FLUX: 110 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 16 Jun 2013 10CM FLUX: 113 / AP: 007
COMMENT:Solar activity was moderate in the past 24 hours, with only a C1.2 flare
occurring in NOAA AR 1769, on June 14, 00:31 UT peak time. It was
accompanied by a narrow, non-geoffective CME. Additional C flares are
possible from this region. AR 1768 grew in size and complexity and is
likely to produce C flares as well in the next 48 hours, with even a small
risk for an isolated M class event. Therefore, we expect eruptive
conditions for the next 48 hours. Geomagnetic conditions are currently very
quiet, and we expect this situation to persist for the next 48 hours.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 042, BASED ON 11 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 13 Jun 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 071
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 099
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 007
AK WINGST : 005
ESTIMATED AP : 003
ESTIMATED ISN : 040, BASED ON 16 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
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21304. 425 DX News - #1154

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15 June 2013 A.R.I. DX Bulletin
No 1154
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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** DX INFORMATION ****
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4O - Alex, UA3RF and Nick, RK3RB will be active holiday style as 4O/UA3RF and 4O/RK3RB from Montenegro between 21 July and 2 August. They will operate CW, SSB, PSK and RTTY on 40-10 metres. On 26-28 July they will be QRV as 4O/UA3RF/p and 4O/RK3RB/p from Sveti Nikola Island (EU-163), and will participate in the IOTA Contest. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. [TNX UA3RF]
5B - Stavros, 5B4AFM and Philip, 5B4ZN will be active as 5B4AFM/p and 5B4ZN/p from Agios Georgios Island (AS-120) from around 16 UTC on 22 June until around 6 UTC on the 23rd. They will operate mainly CW on 40, 30 and 20 metres, with a focus on North America. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. [TNX 5B4AFM]
CT7 - Special event station CR6RI will be active for the 104th Rotary International Convention to be held in Lisbon on 23-26 June. It will be operated by the Rotarians of Amateur Radio (www.ifroar.org) on 14293, 14287 and possibly 21293 kHz between 8 and 17 UTC. QSL via CT1REP.
EA - Manel, EA3EGB will be active as EA3EGB/EA5 from Benidorm Island (EU-093) on 16 June. He will operate SSB and RTTY on 40-6 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX OPDX Bulletin]
EI - The North Cork Radio Group will be active as EI75GP on 21-23 June to commemorate the 75th anniversary of the Cork Grand Prix. QSL via EI3GAB, bureau only.
GJ - Look for Jo MJ/PA9JO, Alex MJ/PA1AW and Ronald MJ/PA3EWP to be active from Jersey (EU-013) on 20-24 June. They will operate on all bands and modes from the Jersey Amateur Radio Society's club station. For all callsigns, QSL via PA1AW and LoTW. They have a webpage on www.cqfriends.com (search for mj2013). [TNX DX World]
H4 - After many trials and tribulations, the H44IOTA team was able to reach Pavuvu, Russell Islands (OC-168) on 12 June. They expected to depart the island on 14 June and sail to Honiara. There they will do some repairs to the boat and meet WL7HP (CW operator) before heading for the next island. A fresh timetable will be posted on their website (http://h44iota.com/). [TNX JN6RZM]
HL - Kei, HL2UVH and other 13 operators will be active as 6M6M between 22 June and 31 July. They will be QRV on 6 metres only, with four high power stations. They will operate from the Korean mainland,

with a possible trip to IOTA group AS-060 on 27-30 June. QSL via HL2UVH. [TNX HL2UVH]
HR - Dan HR2DMR (http://hriotas.com/) hopes to arrive to the Swan Islands (NA-035) on 15 June. He will be QRV as HQ8S for four days [425DXN 1149], but activity might continue until 25 June, depending on the Honduran Navy schedule. QSL via KD4POI.
HS - Founded in 1992, the Radio Amateur Association of Khon Kaen, HS4AK will be back on the air until 17 June. Look for activity on 40-10 metres CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK, with an effort in the All Asian DX CW Contest. QSL via E20YLM. [TNX ARRL DX Bulletin]
KL - Rick, K6VVA will be active as K6VVA/KL7 from Sarichef Island (NA-152) on 25-27 June ("if a major solar X-Flare occurs on the day I am to leave", he says, "the trip could be cancelled (postponed) at the last minute"). He will operate mainly CW on 40, 30, 20 and 17 metres with 200 watts and vertical antennas. QSL via N6AWD, direct or bureau. Further information can be found on http://www.k6vva.com/iota/na152/
LA - LA1MNA, LA5ZN, LA6IOA and LA9RY will be active as LA7H from Utsira Island (EU-055) on 14-16 June. They will be QRV on the HF bands (and possibly 6m) mainly SSB. QSL via bureau or direct. [TNX rsgbiota.org]
OY - G3ZAY, M0GXM, M0ZXA, M1BXF and MD0IGD from the Cambridge University Wireless Society will be QRV as OY/home call from the Faroe Islands (EU-018) on 17-23 June. They will operate mainly SSB with some CW on 40-6 metres (and possibly 4m). QSL OY/G3ZAY, OY/M0GXM and OY/MD0IGD via their home calls (bureau or direct). QSL OY/M0ZXA and OY/M1BXF via G3ZAY. If possible please request bureau cards by email to the qrz.com email addresses rather than by sending a card. [TNX G3ZAY]
OZ - Enrico, DO6EBB will be active holiday style as OZ/DO6EBB from Fano Island (EU-125) from 22 June to 7 July. He will operate on all bands SSB and some digital modes. QSL via home call. [TNX rsgbiota.org]
PJ2 - Wim, ON6DX (ex ON4CIT) will be active as PJ2/ON6DX from Curacao (SA-099) from 28 June to 7 July. He will operate CW, SSB and RTTY on 20-6 metres, with a focus on 6m and on working Asian stations on 10, 12 and 15m. QSL via ON6DX (OQRS for direct and bureau cards on ClubLog), plus LoTW and e QSL. Further information at www.dxpedition.be
PJ4 - Armin, DL1DI will be active as PJ4D from Bonaire (SA-006) from 22 June to 10 July. He will be QRV on 80-10 metres SSB. QSL via home call, direct or bureau.
SM - Bodo, DF8DX plans to be active as SM0/DF8DX from Vaxholm Island (EU-084) on 17-19 June. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX DX Newsletter]
SM - Bernd, DL8AAV will be active as SD1B/6 from Orust Island (EU-043) on 17-29 June. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX rsgbiota.org]
SV9 - Gianni, SV2FPU will be active holiday style as SV9/SV2FPU from Gavdos Island (EU-187, WWL KM24bu) on 19-30 June. He will operate

CW (3503, 7003, 10103, 14003, 18073, 21003, 24893, 28003 and 50093 kHz), SSB (3795, 7115, 14260, 18160, 21260, 24960, 28460 and 50160 kHz) and RTTY (3590, 7050, 10145, 14080, 18105, 21080, 24925, 28125 and 50250). QSL via home call and LoTW. [TNX SV2FPU]
TK - Alex, IW5ELA will be active holiday style as TK/IW5ELA from Corsica (EU-014) on 15-19 June. He will operate mainly CW on the HF bands. QSL via home call (bureau preferred). [TNX DX Coffee]
UA - Alexei RN1ON, Yuri UA1OC and Oleg UA1PBA/ZS1ANF will be active as RK1OZM/p from Zhizhginskiy Island (EU-153) and lighthouse until 16 June. They operate CW and SSB on 40-10 metres. QSL via RN1ON. [TNX RN1ON]
UA - Valentina V. Tereshkova is the first woman to have flown in space. Special station R1963VT will be active on 16-23 June to commemorate the 50th anniversary of her historic three-day flight on Vostok 6. QSL RK3MWA.
VE - Mike, VY0BRR (VE2XB) is on Dorset Island (NA-156), and has plans to travel in the future "to other places in Nunavut" and to "activate some very rare IOTAs including NA-007, NA-196, NA-174, NA-006 and NA-130". See http://vy0brr.jimdo.com/ for further information [TNX DX World]
VQ9 - Once again Jim, VQ9JC (ND9M) will use a special prefix from Diego Garcia (AF-006), and will be active as VQ93JC from 22 June to 7 July before returning to the US. Look for him to be QRV in the 1200-1600 UTC time frame. He is still operating Field Day style from a recreational park with 100 watts to single band dipoles. QSL via ND9M. [TNX The Daily DX]
W - Look for AJ4T, KI4GGJ, KJ4AVG, KV4T and W4CCF to be active from Dauphin Island (NA-213) on 19-24 June. QSL via their individual home calls. [TNX rsgbiota.org]

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**** GOOD TO KNOW ... ****
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425 DX NEWS MAGAZINE ---> The May 2013 issue is now available for download at www.425dxn.org/monthly/index.html. [TNX IZ3EBA]

EU-152 ---> Christian EA3NT, Ramon EA3OR, Raul EA5KA and Vincent F4BKV from the Invoker Team (www.invokerteam.com) made 2959 QSOs as EG3INT/7 from San Juan de Los Terreros (EU-152) on 8-9 June. They had to close down some 24 hours earlier than planned because of unfavourable wind and sea conditions. QSL via EA5KA. Logsearch and OQRS for direct an bureau cards are up and running on Clublog.

INTERNATIONAL POSTING SERVICE ---> The International Posting Bureau is a non profit service to assist World DXpedition Teams send their QSL mailings at discounted postal costs, so that the team can divert finances to where they are most needed at the DXpedition. For further information please

visit www.m0urx.com/internationalpostingbureau.html

QSL LU8XW ---> Radio Club Ushuaia has decided to handle its own QSLing, and WD9EWK (http://qsl.wd9ewk.net/) is no longer the QSL manager for LU8XW and its other call signs: LT5X (since 2009, including the 2013 expedition to Isla Redonda, SA-049), L25X (2010 only), AY7X (2007-2008) and AY8XW (2002 only). QSLs for these calls can be sent to LU8XW (Radio Club Ushuaia, P.O. Box 58, V9410WAB, Ushuaia, Argentina).

QSL VIA US3IZ ---> A large number of /p stations with callsigns in the EM23IA-EM23IZ, EN23IA-EN23IZ and EO23IA-EO23IZ series Participated in the Ukrainian Radio Sport Team Championship On 1 June. QSL for all of them via US3IZ.

TROMELIN 2014 ---> The Radio Club de Provins (F6KOP) and the Lyon DX Gang (F6KDF) are joining forces "in an effort to put Tromelin back on the air in 2014". As of today "all of the necessary documents have not been signed", but their "relationships with TAAF are very constructive" and the project "is well underway". [TNX F5NQL]

YE3I ---> Pictures and logsearch for the recent activity from Gili Ketapang (OC-237) can be found on www.mdxc.org/ye3i

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******* QSL ROUTES *******
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CALL MANAGER CALL MANAGER CALL MANAGER
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3B8FQ K5XK GB100RXY G4USW RC3EPC RW3EW
3D2WN AA2WN GB4JDF 2D0YLX RI1FJ UA2FM
3G1D EA5GL H44AJ K9AJ RK1OZM/p RN1ON
4K20RO 4J6RO H44IOTA NR6M RW44FF RZ3LC
4K9W DL6KVA H44PA VK1AI S573DX S57DX
4L6QC LZ1OT H44S IT9YRE SA6G/7 SM6CUK
4L8A K1BV HF3SMLT SP9PDG SD7SUB SM7EYO
4O7CC UA4CC HF735B SP1KRF SE1TDE SM1TDE
5N7M OM3CGN HK3JJB SM2LIY SF2BRN SA2BRN
5R8AL G3SWH HL2ZBD/3 JK1IJQ SL8SUB SM6DQR
5R8XB ON8XB HV4NAC IK0FVC SN0HS SP5KP
5T0JL ON8RA HZ1HX KB9GSY SN0KDD SP3POW
5Z4/EA4ATI EA4YK HZ1ZH EA7FTR SU1HZ F4FJH
5Z4EE NV7E II0FTC IQ0FB SU9VB UA4WHX
7S6W SM6MIS II1IARU IK1VDQ SV68FF SV2GWY
7T1EWD 7X2DD II1IASR IZ5JLF SX20RAAS SZ7SER
7T9A 7X2ARA II4BTK IQ4FE T32AZ KH6QJ
7X2GK IK2DUW II5CC IZ4SUC T46C EA5GL
7X5KBS EA7FTR II8LH HB9FHZ [b] TM02REF F5BBD

7X5QB EA7FTR II8LH IK8YFU [d] TM0BIG F4FET
9A8NXC IK3GES J28NC F5RQQ TM1EJ F5YD
9G1AA PA3ERA J28UC F5RQQ TM24H F6KFI
9G5AA PB2T J68HZ K9HZ TM3FFI F8JZR
9J2BO G3TEV JY4CI K2AX TM50QF F6KSU
9J2CA G3SWH K8F W8CDB TM5AR F5IL
9K2KCBB 9K2RA KH0N JA6CNL TM5BBC F2UW
9V1DR JF3DVR KH2L W3HNK TM6JUN F6KFW
A41KJ NI5DX KL7NWR KL2HD TM77A HB9SLU
A45WW EA5ZD LA1H LA2MV TM8FDA F0DTB
A61XX EA5ZD LA5O DO1BEN TM8YT F5KLJ
A61ZA IZ8CLM LG5LG LA4EKA UE44C RX4HJ
A92AA EA5GL LY44WFF DH8BQA UE44F RV6MU
AO1WED EA1WD LZ1534GWS LZ1KCP UE44R RX4HJ
C6ATT K2TTT LZ7EPC LZ2HT UE44POL RK1PWA
CK3C VE3RHE LZ9EPC LZ1NJS UF6VW R3DO
CP4BT DJ2BW MX0EPC LZ3HI UP44WFF UN6QC
CR5OIT CT1FHI N5E AD5WB UQ1EPC UN7QCC
CS5DFG CS5NRA NP2KW EB7DX V31ZF W8ERI
D44TWO M0OXO OE200TH OE3PVC VE9MCC VE9HF
D85C DS4NYE OG0W OH2BEE VK3MO WA9BXB
DK0EPC DK5UR OJ0VM OH6VM VK9DAC VK3DAC
DS0N HL4CEL OK5EPC OK1AW WW2IND W9IH
DT60US WX8C OL13VBD OK1MP XM3A VE3JO
DU1WGA NR6M OL140FIRE OK5AM XR80PDI XQ7UP
E7/OK4ZW OK1UZW OL800UNICOV OK2ILD YB8BYL EA7FTR
EA6UP EB7DX OM60DAT OM4CI YE3I IZ8CCW
EG3INT/7 EA5KA OM90EPC OM3RP YE6YE EA7FTR
EG5SUB EA5HEW OX3LX OZ1PIF YL0WANTED ES2TT
EI13CLAN EI6AL PJ2LS ED7DX YP20ARER YO6CUF
EM110U US5UFF PJ4V M0URX YQ6R YO6OEV
EM45ERS UT0EK PP5/DJ4CW AI4U YW5PAZ YV5AJ
EN5R UR5RP PX1M PY1MK ZB54EO ZB2EO
ER3WFF ER3GS PX4X PY4XX ZB54ER ZB2ER
F/ON6JUN/p ON5SD R13EPC RA4UDC ZD7LP VP8LP
FG4NN NI5DX R2013FF RX3F ZD8KFC NI5DX
FG4NO F4AVX R31EPC UA3LSX ZF1EJ K6AM
FJ/K5WE K5WE R44WFF RA3AKF ZP99E EA5ZD
FJ/N5WR N5WR R55EPC R9CBA ZS6EPC ZS6GRL
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21305. 425 DX Calendar - #1154

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
******* CALENDAR *******
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PERIOD CALL REF
till 15/06 C6ABB, C6ALC, C6APX, C6ATT: Bahamas (NA-001) 1152
till 15/06 OZ/DL4VM: Vendsyssel-Thy (EU-171) 1151
till 15/06 TM6JUN: special even tstaion (France) 1152
till 15/06 TM8YT: special callsign (France) 1152
till 15/06 VY0/VE3VID: Igloolik Island (NA-174) 1151
till 16/06 LA7H: Utsira Island (EU-055) 1154
till 16/06 PJ4V: Bonaire (SA-006) 1151
till 16/06 RK1OZM/p: Zhizhginskiy Island (EU-153) 1154
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till 17/06 HS4AK: Thailand 1154
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21306. spam

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-06-15 00:09:19 UTC
From: dale cole
Topic: 21306 Message: 21306

Is anyone having trouble with the new att.net upgrade? A lot of my litigate mail is landing in my spam box, along with a number of other issues
TIA
Dale K8TS

21307. Re: [DX-IS] spam

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-06-15 00:27:13 UTC
From: Jim
Topic: 21306 Message: 21307

On 6/14/2013 7:09 PM, dale cole wrote:
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> litigate mail is landing in my spam box, along with a number of other
> issues
> TIA
> Dale K8TS
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> No virus found in this message.
> Checked by AVG - www.avg.com <http://www.avg.com>
> Version: 2013.0.3345 / Virus Database: 3199/6411 - Release Date: 06/14/13
>
Hi Dale

YES!!! I have and at&t custom service (or non service) I dumped at&t
everything,
Internet, house phone and cell. I got so tired of waiting on someone
to talk too.
When I found a new service and called at& to have all service
disconnected, they asked
for a security that I did not know and they said they could not
disconnect without it and
I would have to go a an at&t store and show my ID so I did. And it
started before the
upgrade.

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Jim Sherwood, N4UOZ

21308. Re: [DX-IS] spam

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-06-15 01:22:04 UTC
From: dale cole
Topic: 21306 Message: 21308

Thanks Jim--
3 more messages have fell into my spam filter since my original post. sumpin wrong
Dale K8TS

From: Jim <n4uoz@...>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Friday, June 14, 2013 8:27 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] spam

On 6/14/2013 7:09 PM, dale cole wrote:

>Is anyone having trouble with the new att.net upgrade? A lot of my litigate mail is landing in my spam box, along with a number of other issues
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-- Jim Sherwood, N4UOZ

21309. Re: spam

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-06-15 13:53:26 UTC
From: Steve Lybarger
Topic: 21306 Message: 21309

Dale,

YOU are not spam in my mail box, good friend.
I have not encountered the SPAM issue as yet. The new mail system is more suited for my use than the previous two.

Steve, NU7T

21310. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-06-15 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21310

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:Issued: 2013 Jun 15 1146 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30615
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 15 Jun 2013, 1106UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 15 Jun 2013 until 17 Jun 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 15 Jun 2013 10CM FLUX: 115 / AP: 008
PREDICTIONS FOR 16 Jun 2013 10CM FLUX: 117 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 17 Jun 2013 10CM FLUX: 120 / AP: 007
COMMENT:Solar activity was moderate during the last 24 hours. A C1 flare took place
in NOAA AR 1771, close to the East limb on June 15, peaking at 0400 UT. It
was a long duration event linked to a CME as witness by SDO/AIA
observations (there is a data gap in LASCO observations). There is no risk
of geomagnetic consequences. We expect at most isolated C flares from the
following ARs: AR 1768, AR 1769, and to a lesser extent AR 1772, 1770 and
1771. We expect essentially quiet geomagnetic conditions for the next 48
hours.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 066, BASED ON 08 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 14 Jun 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 074
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 109
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 008
AK WINGST : 004
ESTIMATED AP : 003
ESTIMATED ISN : 043, BASED ON 18 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21311. Re: [DX-IS] Re: spam

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-06-15 22:46:41 UTC
From: dale cole
Topic: 21306 Message: 21311

Thanks for the report Steve. Out of the 38 spam messages I recieved in the past ~24 hours none have come from DX-IS, thankfully. However, I am getting a lot from other groups I belong to. (even on the same thread) DX-IS is not of concern now. I must find why I am getting it from other groups. Thanks to all the DX-IS members for all their replys both on and off the board.
'73
Dale K8TS

From: Steve Lybarger <nu7t@...>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Saturday, June 15, 2013 9:53 AM
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: spam

Dale,

YOU are not spam in my mail box, good friend.
I have not encountered the SPAM issue as yet. The new mail system is more suited for my use than the previous two.

Steve, NU7T

21312. ClubLog E-Mails

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-06-16 02:39:42 UTC
From: Ron Notarius W3WN
Topic: 21312 Message: 21312

Anyone have a good email address for the support staff from ClubLog?

I've suddenly been receiving emails from someone allegedly from them, demanding that I start uploading logs. However, my attempts to reach them at the usual email addresses are being rejected (and that includes the ones shown in the email).

I get very suspicious when I suddenly & unexpectedly start getting emails from any organization that I've had minor involvement with, especially when they include demands that I take certain actions. That's one red flag; a second goes up when email replies, or email forwards, start getting blocked or rejected as unavailable.

So, either I'm hearing from some very rude people - or there's a phishing attempt by persons unknown going on. Either way. without a good email address, I spinning my wheels.

Thanks!

73, ron w3wn

21313. Re: [DX-IS] ClubLog E-Mails

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-06-16 03:11:48 UTC
From: Juhani Viitala
Topic: 21312 Message: 21313

Hi!

support@...

73's John OH3SR

16.6.2013 5:39, Ron Notarius W3WN kirjoitti:
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> Thanks!
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> 73, ron w3wn
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21314. Re: [DX-IS] ClubLog E-Mails

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-06-16 03:13:52 UTC
From: Juhani Viitala
Topic: 21312 Message: 21314

Also michael@... is ok.

16.6.2013 6:11, Juhani Viitala kirjoitti:
> Hi!
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> support@...
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> 73's John OH3SR
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> 16.6.2013 5:39, Ron Notarius W3WN kirjoitti:
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>> Thanks!
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>> 73, ron w3wn
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21315. Re: [DX-IS] ClubLog E-Mails

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-06-16 03:36:38 UTC
From: iain macdonnell - N6ML
Topic: 21312 Message: 21315

I think the preferred method is:

http://clublog.freshdesk.com/support/tickets/new

73,

~iain / N6ML

On Sat, Jun 15, 2013 at 8:13 PM, Juhani Viitala <oh3sr@...> wrote:
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> Also michael@... is ok.
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> 16.6.2013 6:11, Juhani Viitala kirjoitti:
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> Hi!
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> 73's John OH3SR
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> Thanks!
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> 73, ron w3wn
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21316. RE: [DX-IS] ClubLog E-Mails

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-06-16 05:43:56 UTC
From: Ron Notarius W3WN
Topic: 21312 Message: 21316

Nope. Bounces. Does not accept incoming email.

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Juhani Viitala
Sent: Saturday, June 15, 2013 11:12 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] ClubLog E-Mails

Hi!

support@...

73's John OH3SR

16.6.2013 5:39, Ron Notarius W3WN kirjoitti:

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Thanks!

73, ron w3wn

21317. RE: [DX-IS] ClubLog E-Mails

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-06-16 05:47:01 UTC
From: Ron Notarius W3WN
Topic: 21312 Message: 21317

I'll give that a try Iain.

I do think it's poor form, if these emails are legit, to bounce replies and then force someone to use a web address that may or may not actually go anywhere.

I've had enough professional experience with some of the spammers to know that that method is often used as a convenient way to meet the technical letter of legislation, without actually attempting to do anything to meet the spirit of it. But I'll try.

73

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of iain macdonnell - N6ML
Sent: Saturday, June 15, 2013 11:37 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] ClubLog E-Mails

I think the preferred method is:

http://clublog.freshdesk.com/support/tickets/new

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Yahoo! Groups Links

21318. RE: [DX-IS] ClubLog E-Mails

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-06-16 05:57:49 UTC
From: Ron Notarius W3WN
Topic: 21312 Message: 21318

Thank you Iain. I was able to create a ticket.

There is a certain irony... assuming this was email was actually sent from ClubLog, the help site has a ReCAPTCHA system in place to block spam... but from a blocked email address, with no legitimate address for comments.

I throw away a good dozen or so a week like that at work, often from people trying to sell me interesting "personal" pharmaceuticals, or get rich quick schemes, to say nothing of those telling me about people who have recently died somewhere in Africa, and boy, did they leave a ton of money in the bank...

73, ron w3wn

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> I get very suspicious when I suddenly & unexpectedly start getting emails
> from any organization that I've had minor involvement with, especially
when
> they include demands that I take certain actions. That's one red flag; a
> second goes up when email replies, or email forwards, start getting
blocked
> or rejected as unavailable.
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> So, either I'm hearing from some very rude people - or there's a phishing
> attempt by persons unknown going on. Either way. without a good email
> address, I spinning my wheels.
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> Thanks!
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Yahoo! Groups Links

21319. ARLP024 Propagation de K7RA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-06-14 16:10:03 UTC
From: jjreisert@...
Topic: 4822 Message: 21319

SB PROP @ ARL $ARLP024
ARLP024 Propagation de K7RA

ZCZC AP24
QST de W1AW
Propagation Forecast Bulletin 24 ARLP024
>From Tad Cook, K7RA
Seattle, WA June 14, 2013
To all radio amateurs

SB PROP ARL ARLP024
ARLP024 Propagation de K7RA

Average daily sunspot numbers declined over 32 points this week to 39.6. Average daily solar flux was down more than 8 points to 99.2. Tuesday's solar flux at 89.5 was the lowest since June 22-25 of last year, when values ranged from 84 to 88.6. Likewise, Tuesday's sunspot number of 14 was also the lowest since June 25, 2012 when the sunspot number was also 14. Since then both numbers have been recovering, with Wednesday and Thursday's sunspot numbers at 27 and 45, and solar flux at 93.3 and 98.9.

The latest prediction has solar flux at 105 on June 14-17, 100 on June 18-19, 105 and 110 on June 20-21, 115 on June 22-24, 110 on June 25, 105 on June 26-28, and 110 on June 29 through July 4. Solar flux is expected to reach a minimum of 95 around July 7-8 and another peak at 115 on July 18-21. Note that ARRL Field Day is June 22-23, right when solar flux is expected to be highest.

The predicted planetary A index is 5 on June 14-16, 8 on June 17-18, 5 on June 19-20, then 25, 18, 10 and 8 on June 21-24, 5 on June 25-27, then 30, 20, 10 and 8 on June 28 through July 1, 5 on July 2-4, 10 on July 5-6, 8 on July 7, and 5 on July 8 through mid-month.

A geomagnetic forecast comes to us this week from Petr Kolman, OK1MGW, who sees quiet to unsettled conditions June 14, mostly quiet June 15-18, quiet to unsettled June 19-20, quiet to active June 21-23, quiet to unsettled June 24, quiet June 25-26, quiet to active June 27, active to disturbed June 28-29, quiet to unsettled June 30 through July 2, quiet to active July 3-4, mostly quiet July 5-6.

Word has come that the link to the W6ELprop installation file at http://www.qsl.net/w6elprop/ is broken. Until it is restored you can find it at ftp://150.214.111.198/pub/ham/propag/W6ELPropInst270.EXE.

Unfamiliar with FTP? FTP is File Transfer Protocol, and you can paste that link into your web browser URL window, hit Enter, and a

download dialog should appear. W6ELprop works only on Windows computers, and with it you can predict propagation from your station to anywhere else, on any frequency between 3-30 MHz. If you have any trouble installing, try right-clicking the file and running as administrator.

The latest NASA prediction for Cycle 24 moves the sunspot peak back to Summer 2013, but NOAA predicts the peak for the end of this year. Check pages 16 and 17 at http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/weekly/pdf/prf1970.pdf and note the highest smoothed sunspot and solar flux numbers are predicted in November and December 2013. These are smoothed international sunspot numbers, with a scale quite a bit lower than the Boulder numbers reported here.

If you would like to make a comment or have a tip for our readers, email the author at, k7ra@....

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service web page at, http://arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals. For an explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin, see http://arrl.org/the-sun-the-earth-the-ionosphere. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at http://arrl.org/w1aw-bulletins-archive-propagation. More good information and tutorials on propagation are at http://k9la.us/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://arrl.org/propagation.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of ARRL bulletins are at http://arrl.org/bulletins.

Sunspot numbers for June 6 through 12 were 71, 76, 27, 41, 21, 14, and 27, with a mean of 39.6. 10.7 cm flux was 109, 109.8, 103.2, 96, 93.3, 89.5, and 93.3, with a mean of 99.2. Estimated planetary A indices were 17, 32, 10, 9, 13, 6, and 5, with a mean of 13.1. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 16, 26, 9, 8, 12, 6, and 5, with a mean of 11.7.
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21320. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-06-16 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21320

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:Issued: 2013 Jun 16 1138 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30616
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 16 Jun 2013, 1106UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 16 Jun 2013 until 18 Jun 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 16 Jun 2013 10CM FLUX: 118 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 17 Jun 2013 10CM FLUX: 120 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 18 Jun 2013 10CM FLUX: 122 / AP: 007
COMMENT:Solar activity was low to moderate during the past 24 hours. In total,
eight active regions are visible on the disk, but only two of them present
a risk for isolated C class flares: NOAA AR 1769 and 1775. Current
interplanetary conditions are quiet, and we expect the geomagnetic activity
to stay at quiet levels for the next 48 hours.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 064, BASED ON 09 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 15 Jun 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 111
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 008
AK WINGST : 006
ESTIMATED AP : 004
ESTIMATED ISN : 066, BASED ON 17 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21321. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1116

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-06-16 20:42:31 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 21321 Message: 21321

SB DX @ WW < KB8NW $OPDX.1116
Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin No. 1116

The Ohio/Penn DX PacketCluster
DX Bulletin No. 1116
BID: $OPDX.1116
June 17, 2013
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

Thanks to the Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society, Northern Ohio DX Association, Ohio/Penn PacketCluster Network, AB5K & the AR TelNet Clusters Network, K1XN & GoList, NJ1Q & W1AW, NG3K & ADXO, W3UR & The Daily DX, N4AA & QRZ DX, N4JF, K6VVA, KH6BZF, NR6M, K8CX, K8GI, K8YSE, W8GEX & 60m News, ND9M, W9ILY, AT International, DK8JB & The DX News Letter, DL1SBF, DxCoffee.com, DX-World.Net, EA5RM, ES1CW, F5NQL, F6AJA & Les Nouvelles DX, I1JQJ/IK1ADH & 425 DX News, I2MQP & DX Italia News, IK7JWX, IK8YFU, IZ7AUH, JI1PLF, Mediterraneo DX Club, OZ6OM & 50 MHz DX News, Pete's DX-Newsdesk, RSGB IOTA Web Site, Sixitalia Weekly, VA3RJ & ICPO, and the VHF-DX-Portal (MMMonVHF) for the following DX information.

DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 9th-June, through Sunday, 16th-June there were 222 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5B, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5W, 5Z, 6Y, 7P, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A2, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C6, C9, CE, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FH, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FS, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J6, J7, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JX, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OJ0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ7, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S5, S7, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T31, T32, T5, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TN, TR, TT, TU, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V3, V4, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VP2E, VP5, VP8, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XW, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, Z8, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS, ZS8

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

4O, MONTENEGRO (Also IOTA Op!). Operators Alex/UA3RF and Nikolay/RK3RB will be active as 4O/UA3RF and 4O/RK3RB from Montenegro between July 21st August 2nd. Activity will be on 40-10 meters using CW, SSB, PSK and RTTY. They also plan to be active as 4O/UA3RF/P and 4O/RK3RB/P from Sveti Nikola

Island (EU-163) between July 26-28th. Look for them to be an entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th). QSL via their home callsigns.

5Z, KENYA. The "DX-World.net" reports that Bruno, VE2FTT, is active as 5Z4/VE2FTT from a hotel room in Nairobi until June 19th. It was also mentioned that he plans to be active from time to time throughout the year when on business trips to Kenya. Bruno operates mostly SSB and uses an FT-897 with 100 watts into a screwdriver antenna. QSL via his home callsign.

C9, MOZAMBIQUE. Gerard, ZS6AYU, will once again be active as C91GR from Bilene between 1600z, July 19th and 0400z, July 23rd. Activity will be holiday style on CW only using a Cushcraft R7000 vertical and 200-400 watts. QSL via ZS6AYU, direct or by the Bureau.

DXPEDITIONS TOUR (Update). Yuki, JH1NBN, is currently on a business trip to Bhutan (Thimphu, central area and eastern area) until June 19th. His activity will be limited, but will sign A52W and states [edited], "I will establish and operate small station with wire and 100w output in several cities/villages in Bhutan - mainly SSB on 40/20/17/15 meters (I will check on 3.8m through 50m) during local night time. Yuki will continue to travel to various places through September, and plans to visit the following locations (specific dates were provided):
* Micronesia - Callsigns V63AQ and V6T. He may visit [operate 1 hour] from some small islands between Pohnpei and Woleai. The islands mentioned are: Pohnpei (OC-010), Kosrae(OC-059), Chuuk (OC-011) and Woleai (OC-132).
* Mongolia - He is not sure if he will operate; maybe a club operation.
* Bangladesh - He may not operate due to not enough time. August was mentioned.
* Japan - He will be at the "TOKYO HAM FAIR" (booth of foreign radio league/club), August 24-25th.
* Thailand - He will not operate, but will meet with local people. September was mentioned.
* Nauru - Callsign C21BN; he will be in Nauru for about 2 weeks; operation during local night time. September was mentioned.

Yuki apologizes for the delay in QSLing and is replying at a very slow rate. He suggests to "Please do not re-send QSL request twice". He will add a log search to his Web page when he has time at: http://1nbn.net

FS & PJ7, ST. MARTIN AND SINT MAARTEN ISLANDS. By the time you read this, Mark, N1AFG, will be active as PJ7/N1AFG from Sint Maarten (NA-105, WLOTA 0711) [Dutch Side] until June 21st. Activity will be limited depending on the weather and other vacation activities, etc. Mark suggests, "Look for me near the top of the 20 and 15 meter Phone bands." There is also a French side of the island, St. Martin (NA-105, WLOTA 0383), and if Mark gets an opportunity as he did last year, he will operate from one of the beaches on the French side using the callsign FS/N1AFG. PLEASE NOTE: Mark states, "The best way to get a QSL card is to send me one via direct mail. Return postage is appreciated, but it is not absolutely necessary. If you

have sent a QSL card to me from one of my past trips to the Caribbean and have not received one, please E-mail me, and I will rectify the situation." QSL via his QRZ.com address.

FT/T, TROMELIN (Press Release). Seb, F5UFX, Team Leader of the "Tromelin 2014", announced the following in a press release dated June 13th [edited]: "After many successful DXpetitions in the past, the Radio Club de Provins (F6KOP) team and the Lyon DX Gang (F6KDF) are joining together in an effort to put Tromelin back on the air in 2014. In the last months we have exchanged many documents, E-mails with the authorities and we have also met them in their office. Today, we are working all together in a very efficient way, and, even if all papers are not finalized yet, we are very confident for our project. We hope to give you some good news as soon as possible..... Best 73s, de Seb, F5UFX."

HI, DOMINICAN REPUBLIC. Juergen, DL4SDW, will be active as DL4SDW/HI3 from the Dominican Republic (NA-096, WLOTA 2974) between June 17th and July 26th. Activity will be limited to his spare time on the HF bands, using mainly CW, but some SSB and Digital modes. QSL via his home callsign, by the Bureau is preferred.

HK0/S, SAN ANDRES ISLAND (Update to OPDX.1114). Members of the "DX Friends" will activate San Andres Island (NA-033) between November 1-10th. The current list of operators mentioned are Alberto/EA1SA, Toni/EA5RM (Team Leader), Roberto/EA2RY, Manolo/EA7AJR, Jose/EA7KW, Fabrizio/IN3ZNR, Alain/F6ENO, Tony/F8ATS, Faber/HK6F, Bernard/F9IE, Roberto/HK3CW and Valery/RG8K. As of press time, no callsign has been announced. QSL via EA5RM direct (see Web page). You can use the OQRS (see Web page) for direct and Bureau cards. More details should be forthcoming. Visit their Web page at: http://www.dxfriends.com/SanAndres2013

HS, THAILAND. Look for HS4AK, the club station of the Radio Amateur Association of Khon Kaen [R.A.K.K], to be active until June 17th. A team of operators will be operating and activating this callsign to celebrate the 22th anniversary until June 17th. Activity will be on 40-10 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK. HS4AK participated in this past weekend's 2013 All Asian DX CW Contest as M/S category. QSL via E20YLM.

II8, ITALY (LH Op!). Alex, IK8YFU, and other Calabria DX Team members will be active as II8LH on June 22nd, from the Capo Suvero Lighthouse (WAIL CL-003, ARLHS ITA-045). QSL via the Bureau to HB9FHZ (USKA Bureau). QSL via IK8YFU direct. E-QSL Authenticity is guaranteed. Also LoTW. For more info, see: http://www.calabriadxteam.it

IOTA NEWS.....
AS-006. Kazuhiko, VR2KF, will be on during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th) from his home QTH on Ma Wan Island. This is a good time to work him because he is leaving Ma Wan early 2014. He is the only station on Ma Wan. Kazuhiko's plan is only to be active on 20-10 meters. QSL only direct to QRZ.com address.

AS-043. Operators Suehiro/JI1PLF, Mitsuo/JA1UNS,Hisashi/7N1GMK,
Takeo/7L4PVR and Kazuhiko/7N4VPS will be active as homecall/1
from Hachijo Island in the JA1 South Izu Group, between October
18-21st. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and
RTTY. QSL via their home callsigns, direct or by the Bureau.

AS-120. Operators Stavros/5B4AFM and Philip/5B4ZN will be active as
homecall/p from Agios Georgios Island between 1600z, June
22nd and 0600z, June 23rd. Activity will be on 40/30/20 meters
using mostly CW and with a focus on North America. QSL via
their home callsigns, by the Bureau or direct.

EU-043. Bernd, DL8AAV, will once again be active as SD1B/6 from Orust
Island between June 17-29th. Activity will be holiday style
on, or near the usual island and IOTA frequencies. QSL via
DL8AAV, direct or by the Bureau.

EU-073. Members of the Taranto ARMI section and the 599 DX Team will
once again be active as IJ7T from San Pietro Isle (IIA TA-002)
between July 26-28th. Activity will be on the HF bands, 6 and
2 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. They will par-
ticipate in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th). QSL via
IK7WDS, direct or by the Bureau. QSL cards can also be requested
via the OQRS on ClubLog. For more information and updates,
visit: http://www.qrz.com/db/IJ7T
http://www.armi.ta.it

EU-101. Operators Thomas/SM3DMP and Jan/SM3CER will be active as
OH/SM3DMP and OH/SF3A, respectively, from Bjorkon Island
(WW Loc. KP02) between June 16-19th. Activity will be on
30/20/17 meters, mainly CW (split 1-3 up). QSL OH/SM3DMP
via his home callsign, and QSL OH/SF3A via SM3CER, by the
Bureau or direct.

EU-123. Operators Doug/GM0ELP and Simon/M0GBK to be active as MM3T
from the Isle of Bute (IOSA CL02, SCOTIA CS19, WLOTA 1883)
during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th) as a Multi-Op/
All-Band/Low-Power/Mixed/DXpedition entry. QSL via eQSL only.

EU-141. Hans, LA2MOA, will be active from Vardo Island in the Finnmark
County East Group during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th)
as a Single-Op/CW-Mode/Island-DXpedition entry. QSL via his
home callsign, direct, by the Bureau, eQSL or LoTW.

NA-035. By the time you read this, Dan, HM2DMR, should be active as
HQ8S from the Honduran Island of SWAN. Activity could last
until June 25th, depending on the Honduran Navy schedule.
It is suggested to "Keep an eye on the clusters". Look for
CW to start then followed by SSB. There will be no InterNet
on the island, so please help Dan relay any info he may have.
Activity will be on 160-10 meters. For more details and
updates, watch: http://hriotas.com
ADDED NOTE: Next is NA-223 Vivorillos (callsign HQ8D);

July 16-20th.

NA-213. Operators Allan/KV4T, Steve/KI4GGJ, John/AJ4T, Gaston/W4CCF
and Nicholas/KJ4AVG will once again be active as homecall/p
from Dauphin Island (USI AL002S, Mobile County, AL) between
June 19-24th. Activity will be on the HF bands using CW and
SSB. QSL via the operator's home callsign.

OC-129. Tim, KC5DCT, will be active as DU6/KC5DCT from Lakawon Island
on June 22nd. Activity will be QRP on the HF bands with a
Elecraft KX3 using CW and SSB [until batteries go dead].
QSL via his home callsign.

JW, SVALBARD. Karl, LA8DW, will once again be active as JW8DW from the
JW5E club station in Longyearbyen, Spitsbergen Island (EU-026), between
September 25th and October 3rd. Activity will probably be on 80-10 meters
using CW and SSB. Not sure about RTTY and PSK31. QSL via his home callsign,
direct, by the Bureau or via LoTW. Visit the JW8DW Web page at:
http://la8dw.com/Svalbard%202011/home.html
Also, visit the JW5E Web page and interesting Webcam at:
http://www.jw5e.com
http://longyearbyen.livecam360.com/flash/main.php

K8CX'S 2013 DAYTON HAMVENTION PHOTO GALLERY. Tom's, K8CX, 2013 Dayton
Photo Gallery is now up at: http://hamgallery.com/dayton2013/
This is Tom's 17th consecutive year for the gallery, and it contains 353
photos taken at Crowne Plaza at various events and hospitality suites.
You may submit your own Dayton photos to be included in this gallery.
Please read the guidelines listed on the top of the gallery page. There
is also an interesting Dayton Hamvention history link on top of this page.
ADDED NOTE: There is also a recap of this year's HamVention at:
http://hamgallery.com/gallery/D/hamvention2013.htm
If anyone has a forum review or interesting story, please submit it to
K8CX <k8cx@...> to be included on this page.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (June 17-23rd)....
Jun/17th AN Jun/20th AN-HN Jun/22nd LN-HN
Jun/18th AN Jun/21st LN-BN Jun/23rd LN-HN
Jun/19th AN

SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS/INDEXES AND GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE
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NORMALITY GEOMAG K Values Alpha
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AN - Above Normal Quiet K=0-1 0-7
HN - High Normal Unsettled K=2 8-15
LN - Low Normal Active K=3 16-29
BN - Below Normal Minor Storm K=4 30-49
DIS - Disturbed Major Storm K=5 50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed Severe Storm K=6-9 100-400

KH8, AMERICAN SAMOA (Update to OPDX.1110/1114; Callsign Added; Samoa Op Added). The N8A operators announced that they have also reserved the callsign W8A. Operators John/9M6XRO, Aki/ZL1GO (JE4EKO), Masahiro/JH3PRR, Kip/W6SZN and Jacky/ZL3CW (F2CW/WE3B) are to be active using the special event callsign N8A from the Turtle and Shark Lodge, Village of Vaitogi, on the southeast coast of Tutuila Island (OC-045, USI AS007S, WLOTA 4385) between November 12-22nd (not through the 27th). QSL via ZL3CW. The call-sign N8A will be used during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) as a Multi-2 entry. QSL route was not mentioned. Four of the five operators plan to be active as 5W8A from Samoa after their activities on American Samoa between November 27th and December 2nd. Operators mentioned are 9M6XRO, W6SZN, ZL1GO and ZL3CW. QSL route also was not mentioned. For more details and updates, watch the N8A Web page at: http://www.n8a.eu
Also, watch their FaceBook page at:
https://www.facebook.com/N8a2013AmericanDXpedition

KL7, ALASKA (Rare IOTA). Rick, K6VVA, announced this past week that he has been planning to activate the rare IOTA Sarichef Island (NA-152) for years, and now it looks like it will take place between June 25-27th. He will sign K6VVA/KL7. Activity will be on 40/30/20/17 meters primarily CW, but with some SSB. QSL via N6AWD, direct or by the Bureau. For more details, especially a special messages to CW operators, visit:
http://www.k6vva.com/iota/na152
For updates, watch his Twitter page at: http://www.twitter.com/k6vva

OY, FAROE ISLANDS. Members of the Cambridge University Wireless Society will be active as OY/homecall from the Faroe Islands (EU-018) between June 17-23rd. Operators mentioned are Martin/G3ZAY, Michael/M0GXM, Will/M0ZXA, Gavin/M1BXF and Greg/MD0IGD. Activity will be on 40-6 meters using mostly SSB. It is suggested to listen for operator's QSL instruc-tions.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (For June 14th)

9A8NXC via IK3GES (d/OQRS) HF50WLA via SP2YWL SN0HS via SP5KP
9K2KCBB via 9K2RA IG9/I2ADN via I2ADN TM5BBC via F2UW
A61XX via EA5ZD II5MD via IZ5JLW XR80PDI via XQ7UP
E7/9A9JZ via 9A9JZ IS0/DK7ZB via DK7ZB YW5PAZ via YV5AJ
F/CT1ILT via F/CT1ILT (d) LR1A via LU1AS
GC4BRS via GW0ANA OL800UNICOV via OK2ILD
(e) eQSL only (d) direct only (B) Bureau only (L) LoTW only

CO2HQ & H44RK (OC-149) QSL STATUS. Rex, NR6M, reports on June 15th:
"QSL cards for CO2HQ and H44RK (OC-149) were received Friday 6/14/2013. All requests received were mailed out 6/15/2013."

LOG & PICTURES POSTED. The group of Indonesian operators, who activated YE3I from Gili Ketapang, have now posted their log and pictures at:
http://www.mdxc.org/ye3i

TS8TI QSL STATUS. Fred, IK7JWX, the QSL Manager for Italy, reports that during the next week they should be get the QSLs from LZ3HI.

He also states that whomever made a contact with TS8TI can send all their QSO data via E-mail to Antonello, IK2DUW, the QSL Manager for the rest of the world, at <ik2duw@...>, and he will respond to all whose and also the QSLs already received via directly, by the Bureau and MDXC. The log is available online at the following Web sites: LoTW, <http://www.mdxc.org/ts8ti/log-on-line>, <http://www.ik2duw.it> and <http://www.enzolog.org>.

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 4A1TD, 9A7A, A35JP, F8VOE, FJ/N5WR, JH4UTP, KH2L, KH6ZM, PY1PDF, RM5P, SX5KL, T88AT, US4IQ, VU7KV and XE1GRR

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3B9DX, 5U9AMO, 9N7SZ, C98RF, FH/DL7BC, JX9JKA, PJ4/SP6AXW, PJ4/SP9FIH, PJ4/SQ9CNN, SX5KL, VK9/OH1VR VK9CZ and XX9TYT

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 4W6A, 5B75FOC, 9M4SLL, 9M6XRO, 9M8Z, CY9M, ES95A...Z, ZC4VJ and ZL/GD3OOK

SV9, CRETE. Luc, ON6DSL, will once again be active as SV9/ON6DSL/P from the Island of CRETE (EU-015) between August 12- 21st. Activity will be holiday style, a SOTA portable, on 40-15 meters and SSB only operations He will use a FT817ND w/5w QRP into a homemade multiband dipole. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the UBA Bureau (preferred).

V3, BELIZE. Jimmy, W6JKV, will once again be active as V31IV from San Pedro (WW Loc. EK67), Belize, between June 20th and July 1st. Activity will be on 80-6 meters. He will probably focus on 6 meters CW. QSL via his home callsign.

V6, MICRONESIA. Operators Sho/JA7HMZ (V63DX) and Masayuki/JA7ZF (V63ZF) will once again be active from Pohnpei Island (OC-010) between November 22-30th. Activity will be on all HF bands and modes. QSL via their home callsigns.

VQ9/VQ93, CHAGOS (Reminder/Update). Just a reminder that Jim, ND9M/VQ9JC, will once again be active with a special prefix, this time as VQ93JC from Diego Garcia between June 22nd and July 7th. He usually activates an unique/special prefix each year (last year it was VQ92JC). Jim informs OPDX on his current operating conditions: "The rig (FT-857D) that I use normally for working from the island crapped out on me about half way through the VQ975FOC operation. I thought I was done for until I remembered that I'd rescued an Icom IC-760 from the ham shack when the Navy shut it down. The IC-760 had been donated by a former VQ9 years ago and did not belong to the Navy, so I snagged it. But there was no way I was going to lug that thing back and forth to the island every day just for a little operating, so I set up on the ship and operated from the Lagoon. I was still using dipoles, but now they were 110 feet above the waterline (and 40,000 tons of metal!) instead of just 30 feet above the ground. Better still, the IC-760 and dipoles kept me on the air for the duration of the celebration. Overall, I made 3400 contacts as VQ975FOC. The first 1200 QSOs were from the island; the other 2200 on the ship. Of course, the QSOs made from the ship will not count for DXCC, and my QSL will be marked accordingly, but the spirit of this particular special callsign was to

get the FOC callsign 'out there' to give extra points toward the FOC75 award which does not require contacts to be made with land-based stations. When my FT-857D died, my XYL Cori (KK4CGA) shipped out my back up rig, a Yaesu FT-897D, it didn't arrive until after the special callsign expired, but it's here now, and I'm active from the island again. I'm still getting my radio teeth kicked in since I'm running barefoot into a low dipole, but VQ9 is back on the air! I'll continue operating from the ship and may put up a 6M dipole to use with my FT-857D for a beacon. I'll be here until about July 10th, which would bring me back in mid November."
Just a reminder, when Jim states he is still operating, it is Field Day style from a recreational park using 100 watts to a dipole at a height of 10 meters because the VQ9 club station has been shut down. Jim reports that he has to set up the station each time and then break it down each day which further limits his operating time typically to 1230-1615z on most days. Sometimes he is on Fridays starting as early as 0830Z. QSL via ND9M.

YN, NICARAGUA. Members from the Spanish Aitana DX Group (ADXG) will be active from Octavio, YN2N, radio shack in Nicaragua between October 1-16th. Callsign will be announced soon. Operators mentioned are Javi/ EA5KM (CW), Fer/EA5FX (CW), Eugen/EA5HPX (CW), Fran/EA7FTR (SSB/RTTY), Jose/EA1ACP (SSB/RTTY) and Carlos/EA1DVY (SSB/RTTY). Pilot station named is Ismael/EA1AZ. Activity will be on 160-6 meters. Suggested frequencies are:
CW - 1821, 3521, 7021, 10121, 14021, 18081, 21021, 24901 and 28021 kHz
SSB - 1840, 3795, 7185, 14250, 18145, 21295, 24965 and 28495 kHz
RTTY - 3580, 7035, 10145, 14080, 18105, 21080, 24925 and 28080 kHz
6m - 50101/CW and 50145/SSB

QSL via EB7DX, direct or by the Bureau. An OQRS will be available for direct and Bureau QSLs. All QSOs will be confirmed via LoTW. For more details and updates, visit: http://nicaragua2013.com

YW0, AVES ISLAND. It was announced that the 4M5DX Group is planning a DXpedition to Aves Island (NA-020) sometime between November 1st, 2013, and February 28th, 2014. Callsign mentioned is YW0A. It is suggested to watch the following media Web pages at:
DXpedition's Web page - http://www.avesisland.info (under construction)
4M5DX Group's Facebook page - https://www.facebook.com/4M5DX
4M5DX Group's Twitter page - https://twitter.com/4m5dxgroup

ZB54, GIBRALTAR (Special Event). Ernest, ZB2FK, is now active as ZB54FK until June 27th. Activity is because the Union of European Football Associations (UEFA) has accepted Gibraltar as its 54th member. QSL via ZB2FK, direct only.

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21322. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-06-17 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21322

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:Issued: 2013 Jun 17 1238 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30617
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 17 Jun 2013, 1206UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 17 Jun 2013 until 19 Jun 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 17 Jun 2013 10CM FLUX: 112 / AP: 004
PREDICTIONS FOR 18 Jun 2013 10CM FLUX: 110 / AP: 004
PREDICTIONS FOR 19 Jun 2013 10CM FLUX: 109 / AP: 004
COMMENT:The knot of Catania sunspot groups 2, 3, 5 and 7 (NOAA AR 1772, 1770, 1774
and 1775 respectively) has the potential to flare in the C-level.
Especially 1775 is still developing. The geomagnetic conditions are quiet.
We expect these conditions to persist.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 073, BASED ON 10 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 16 Jun 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 116
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 007
AK WINGST : 004
ESTIMATED AP : 002
ESTIMATED ISN : 070, BASED ON 18 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
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21323. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-06-18 14:01:04 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21323

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:Issued: 2013 Jun 18 1153 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
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SIDC URSIGRAM 30618
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 18 Jun 2013, 1106UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 18 Jun 2013 until 20 Jun 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=3D50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 18 Jun 2013 10CM FLUX: 130 / AP: 006
PREDICTIONS FOR 19 Jun 2013 10CM FLUX: 130 / AP: 005
PREDICTIONS FOR 20 Jun 2013 10CM FLUX: 130 / AP: 006
COMMENT:The background X-ray radiation level has increased to just below =
the
C-level. Catania 6 (NOAA AR 1773) has grown a little. It has the potenti=
al
to flare in the C-level. The knot of Catania sunspot groups 2, 3, 5, 7
(NOAA AR 1772, 1770, 1774 and 1775 respectively) and 8 has a large
potential to flare in the C-level. There is a chance for M-flaring
activity, below 50% however. A large coronal hole is visible on the east
side of the central meridian in the northern hemisphere. The lower bounda=
ry
extends to about 25=B0N. The fast solar wind emanating from this hole can
possibly reach the earth in 3-4 days.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 075, BASED ON 14 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 17 Jun 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 112
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 124
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 008
AK WINGST : 004
ESTIMATED AP : 003
ESTIMATED ISN : 078, BASED ON 22 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES=20
NONE
END
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21324. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-06-19 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21324

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:Issued: 2013 Jun 19 1237 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
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SIDC URSIGRAM 30619
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 19 Jun 2013, 1206UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 19 Jun 2013 until 21 Jun 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Active conditions expected (A>=20 or K=4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 19 Jun 2013 10CM FLUX: 130 / AP: 003
PREDICTIONS FOR 20 Jun 2013 10CM FLUX: 132 / AP: 003
PREDICTIONS FOR 21 Jun 2013 10CM FLUX: 135 / AP: 014
COMMENT:A new sunspot group, Catania 9 (NOAA AR 1776) emerged at 15N near the
central meridian. It is active in the C-level. An C8.4 flare was
monitored on June 19, 9:54UT peak time. The source region is however still
behind the east limb. SDO/AIA 193 offers a nice view on the source region.
On June 18, we see stretched loops high in the corona that break open, the
eruption is followed by post flare loops that seem to be captivated in a
bulb structure. CACTus reported 2 coronal mass ejections from that region.
We keep an eye on it. The geomagnetic conditions are quiet: the solar
wind speed is around 300 km/s and the total magnetic field around 5nT.
Active conditions are possible from June 21 if the fast solar wind from the
northern coronal hole reaches the Earth.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 082, BASED ON 21 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 18 Jun 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 118
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 125
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 008
AK WINGST : 004
ESTIMATED AP : 004
ESTIMATED ISN : 076, BASED ON 22 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21325. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-06-20 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21325

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:Issued: 2013 Jun 20 1251 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
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# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
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SIDC URSIGRAM 30620
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 20 Jun 2013, 1206UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 20 Jun 2013 until 22 Jun 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Active conditions expected (A>=20 or K=4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 20 Jun 2013 10CM FLUX: 120 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 21 Jun 2013 10CM FLUX: 120 / AP: 014
PREDICTIONS FOR 22 Jun 2013 10CM FLUX: 120 / AP: 021
COMMENT:The past 24 hours were mostly quiet, with 2 moderate C-class flares. The
first one, a C1.1 event, took place in NOAA AR 1776, on June 19, 1709 UT
(peak time), and was associated with dimmings. A faint CME is associated
with this event and is first observed by LASCO C2 around 18:48 UT. It is
going essentially southward, at slow project speed (~300 km/s). We do not
expect much geomagnetic effect, and if any not before early June 24. The
second one (C1.9) occurred in Catania region 10 (S15E89), on June 20, 0920
UT (peak time). Geomagnetic activity is expected to be active by the end
of June 21 - beginning of June 22, as a coronal hole becomes geoeffective.
Current conditions are quiet. ACE observations show some minor excursions
of the Bz component of the interplanetary magnetic field down to -5nT,
associated with a small shock-like structure observed late on June 19.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 085, BASED ON 12 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 19 Jun 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 120
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 123
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 012
AK WINGST : 008
ESTIMATED AP : 006
ESTIMATED ISN : 082, BASED ON 25 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21326. ARLD025 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-06-20 22:13:32 UTC
From: jjreisert@...
Topic: 4898 Message: 21326

SB DX @ ARL $ARLD025
ARLD025 DX news

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DX Bulletin 25 ARLD025
>From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT June 20, 2013
To all radio amateurs

SB DX ARL ARLD025
ARLD025 DX news

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by NC1L, The Weekly DX, the OPDX Bulletin, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, DXNL, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

CYPRUS, 5B. Operators Stavros, 5B4AFM and Philip, 5B4ZN will be QRV as home calls/p from Agios Georgios Island, IOTA AS-120, on June 22 and 23. Activity will be on 40, 30 and 20 meters using mostly CW. QSL to home calls.

BAHRAIN, A9. Dave, A92IO has been QRV on 17 meters around 0400z. He is active until December 2013. QSL to home call.

PORTUGAL, CT. Members of the Cascais Radio Club will be QRV as CQ75SMA during Field Day on June 22. Activity will be on the HF bands, including VHF, UHF, Satellite and digital modes. QSL via operators' instructions.

PHILIPPINES, DU. Tim, KC5DCT will be QRV as DU6/KC5DCT from Lakawon Island, IOTA OC-129, on June 22. Activity will be on the HF bands using CW and SSB with QRP power. QSL to home call.

IRELAND, EI. Members of the North Cork Radio Group are QRV as EI75GP until June 23 to commemorate the 75th anniversary of the Cork Grand Prix. QSL via bureau.

IRAN, EP. Mohsen, EP3SMH has been active on 15 meters using CW and RTTY at various times. QSL to home call.

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC, HI. Juergen, DL4SDW is QRV as DL4SDW/HI3 until July 26. Activity is in his spare time on the HF bands using mainly CW with some SSB and digital modes. QSL to home call.

ITALY, I. Members of the Calabria DX Team will be QRV as II8LH from the Capo Suvero Lighthouse, ARLHS ITA-045, on June 22. QSL via

operators' instructions.

ALASKA, KL. Rick, K6VVA will be QRV as K6VVA/KL7 from Sarichef Island, IOTA NA-152, from June 25 to 27. Activity will be on 40, 30, 20 and 17 meters using primarily CW with some SSB. QSL via N6AWD.

FAROE ISLANDS, OY. Operators G3ZAY, M0GXM, M0ZXA, M1BXF and MD0IGD are QRV as OY/home calls until June 23. Activity is on 40 to 6 meters using mainly SSB with some CW. QSL OY/M0ZXA and OY/M1BXF via G3ZAY and all others to home calls.

SWEDEN, SM. Bernd, DL8AAV is QRV as SD1B/6 from Orust Island, IOTA EU-043, until June 29. Activity is holiday style on or near the usual island and IOTA frequencies. QSL to home call.

CRETE, SV9. Gianni, SV2FPU is QRV as SV9/SV2FPU from Gaydox Island until June 30. Activity is on 80 to 6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL direct to home call.

SOMALIA, T5. Roger, LA4GHA is QRV as 6O0LA and has been active on 12 meters around 1130z. QSL to home call.

CAMEROON, TJ. Nicolas, TJ3SN has been active on 6 meters around 2000z. QSL via IZ1BZV.

EUROPEAN RUSSIA, UA. Special event station R1963VT is QRV from the Vostok 6 spacecraft until June 23 in commemoration of Valentina V. Tereshkova, the first woman in space. QSL via RK3MWA.

BELIZE, V3. Jimmy, W6JKV is QRV as V31IV from San Pedro until July 1. Activity is on 80 to 6 meters using CW. QSL to home call.

CHAGOS ISLAND, VQ9. Jim, ND9M will be QRV as VQ93JC from Diego Garcia from June 22 to July 7. He will be active most days from 1230 to 1615z. QSL to home call.

HONG KONG, VR. Kazuhiko, JH1OGX is QRV as VR2KF from Ma Wan Island, IOTA AS-006, until 2014. Activity is on 20 to 10 meters. QSL via operator's instructions.

LAOS, XW. Alex, RK3DT is QRV as XW3DT until June 23. Activity is on 17 and 15 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via operator's instructions.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. ARRL Field Day, NCCC RTTY Sprint, NCCC Sprint, His Majesty King of Spain SSB Contest, Ukrainian DX DIGI Contest and the Marconi Memorial HF CW Contest are all on tap for this upcoming weekend. The SKCC CW Sprint and CWops Mini-CWT CW Test are scheduled for June 26. Please see June QST, page 79 and the ARRL and WA7BNM Contest websites for details.
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21327. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-06-21 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21327

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:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
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# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30621
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 21 Jun 2013, 1206UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 21 Jun 2013 until 23 Jun 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Active conditions expected (A>=20 or K=4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 21 Jun 2013 10CM FLUX: 132 / AP: 024
PREDICTIONS FOR 22 Jun 2013 10CM FLUX: 135 / AP: 012
PREDICTIONS FOR 23 Jun 2013 10CM FLUX: 135 / AP: 007
COMMENT:Active conditions were observed during the last 24 hours, with an M2.9
flare occurring in NOAA AR 1777, to the east of the trailing sunspot, on
June 21, 0314 UT (peak time). A CME was associated with this event, but due
to the position of the source region, we do not expect any geomagnetic
consequences. This region was the source of a C8.4 flare on June 19, and
very likely the source of a wide CME observed on June 18, when it was well
behind the east limb. This region is likely to produce extra flares in the
coming days, at least of C-class and possibly again an isolated M flare.
More information on the magnetic type will be available as it further
rotates on the disk. There is a total of 7 active regions on the disk, and
in addition to AR 1777, C flares are likely from NOAA AR 1776, AR 1775, and
to a lesser extent AR 1772. We expect therefore eruptive conditions for the
next 48 hours. Geomagnetic activity reached unsettled to active conditions
late on June 20, and early on June 21, in response to the arrival of a high
speed solar wind stream linked to a coronal hole in geoffective position.
We expect this situation to persist over the next 24 hours, and then come
back to quiet to unsettled conditions on June 22.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 098, BASED ON 12 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 20 Jun 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 130
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 126
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 030
AK WINGST : 014
ESTIMATED AP : 014
ESTIMATED ISN : 091, BASED ON 20 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
21 0230 0314 0343 S16E73 M2.9 1F 6000 10/1777 VI/1IV/1III/3
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21328. ARLP025 Propagation de K7RA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-06-21 21:42:19 UTC
From: jjreisert@...
Topic: 4937 Message: 21328

SB PROP @ ARL $ARLP025
ARLP025 Propagation de K7RA

ZCZC AP25
QST de W1AW
Propagation Forecast Bulletin 25 ARLP025
>From Tad Cook, K7RA
Seattle, WA June 21, 2013
To all radio amateurs

SB PROP ARL ARLP025
ARLP025 Propagation de K7RA

Here we are at the Summer Solstice for the Northern Hemisphere, which was at 0504 UTC today, June 21. If you are west of the Central time zone, to you it was last evening. Today is the longest day of the year, but the length of your day varies considerably depending on your latitude. In San Diego, the sunrise is at 5:48 AM, and it sets 14 hours later at 7:53 PM. In Seattle the Sunrises today at 5:21 AM and sets at 9:01 PM, 15 hours and 40 minutes later. But in Fairbanks, Alaska, the Sun rises today at 3:39 AM and doesn't set until tomorrow at 12:06 AM, 20 hours and 27 minutes later!

Right now many of us are interested in what HF radio conditions should be for this weekend during ARRL Field Day. Until June 3, the prediction for June 21-23 was for quiet geomagnetic conditions, with a planetary A index of 5 for all three days. Then on June 3 it changed, and the predicted planetary A index for those days was 25, 18 and 10, quite a difference. On June 15 the forecast changed to 10, 18 and 10, then on June 19 it became 18, 12 and 8, and finally yesterday it changed to 25, 15 and 10, closer to what it was on June 3.

Remember, we want those numbers to be low.

You can check http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/ftpmenu/forecasts/45DF.html for daily updates after 2100 UTC, and at http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/ftpdir/latest/DGD.txt it is updated every three hours with new K indices.

As of Thursday afternoon, the predicted solar flux is 130 on June 21, 135 on June 22-24, 130 on June 25, 125 on June 26-27, 120 on June 28, 115 on June 29-30, hitting a minimum of 100 on July 5-7 and rising to a peak of 130 on July 19-21.

The predicted planetary A index is 25, 15 and 10 on June 21-23, 5 on June 24-27, then 30, 20, 10 and 8 on June 28 through July 1, then 5

on July 2-4, 10 on July 5-6, then 5 on July 7-13, and 8 on July 15-16.

Over the past week average daily sunspot numbers rose from 39.6 to 97, and average daily solar flux was up from 99.2 points to 115.3.

Petr Kolman, OK1MGW predicts quiet to active geomagnetic conditions June 21-23, quiet to unsettled June 24, quiet June 25-26, quiet to active June 27, active to disturbed June 28-29, quiet to unsettled June 30 through July 2, quiet to active July 3-4, and mostly quiet July 5-6.

Pavel Costa, CO7WT sent this observation: "In past winters I have noticed that when a cold front is passing over Cuba, the front of the wave some times acts as a very good reflector for VHF signals, precisely the 2 meter band that is commonly used here in Cuba for FM signals.

"As Cuba is a kind of thin and long island, the propagation behaves differently depending on the angle of the incoming cold front. Sometimes when the front comes perpendicular to the island, the propagation is good for signals bouncing off the front of the wave. Other times when the wave comes parallel to the island the propagation is improved island wide.

"This phenomenon is not always seen with all cold fronts, and its duration is from 1 to 4 hours for ranges about 100 to 500 Km, I have noticed.

"Last winter I remember a cold front that made possible communications from hand held radios on 2 meter simplex with rubber duck antennas from two locations around 100 km apart with about 5 watts. That was around last December, maybe E-skip helped that time, but I think the cold front was responsible for that."

K1KT, Ken Tata of Warwick, Rhode Island noted on June 18 an intense 2 meter opening in Europe, and said a MUF map showed a spot over the Adriatic with MUF of 280 MHz.

Jeff Hartley, N8II of West Virginia mentioned on June 16, "The bands have sounded pretty good despite the low solar flux, except for 12 and 10 meters. 15 meters is often open in our evening into Europe. 17 meters is open most days to Europe and Western Asia around 0200-0300Z, and I worked about 10 European and Asian stations on 15 meters via Es into F2 (beacon from VE1 heard on 10M) on Friday at 0230-0315Z. 15 meters was fantastic over long stretches in the All Asia contest, JAs were loud Sunday for over 2 hours 1330-1530Z. This is a fairly rare opening for us."

If you would like to make a comment or have a tip for our readers, email the author at, k7ra@....

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service web page at, http://arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals. For an explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin, see http://arrl.org/the-sun-the-earth-the-ionosphere. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at http://arrl.org/w1aw-bulletins-archive-propagation. More good information and tutorials on propagation are at http://k9la.us/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://arrl.org/propagation.

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Sunspot numbers for June 13 through 19 were 45, 73, 101, 104, 110, 120, and 126, with a mean of 97. 10.7 cm flux was 98.9, 109.1, 111, 115.9, 123.8, 125, and 123.4, with a mean of 115.3. Estimated planetary A indices were 4, 4, 5, 3, 4, 5, and 5, with a mean of 4.3. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 6, 5, 4, 3, 5, 7, and 4, with a mean of 4.9.
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21329. 425 DX News - #1155

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** DX INFORMATION ****
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9A - Istvan, HA0KA will be active holiday style as 9A/HA0KA from Pag Island (EU-170) from 26 July to 2 August. He will operate SSB on the HF bands and will take part in the IOTA Contest. He also plans to visit and be QRV from the four nature reserves on the island (9AFF-023, 9AFF-073, 9AFF-074 and 9AFF-075), as well as from the Plitvice Lakes National Park (9AFF-006) on 3-4 August. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. Information on the Croatian Flora Fauna Award can be found at http://web.hamradio.hr/9aff/ [TNX HA0HW]
C9 - Antonio EA4GBA will operate SSB as C91BGA from Mozambique starting on 27 June through December. QSL direct to home call. [TNX The Daily DX]
CE0X - "I am in the process of obtaining a Chilean licence for San Felix as I am feeling certain that I will be on a team to install equipment for the Navy on the island", Michael, WU2D says. He expects to be on the island around 7-15 July. He will be QRV in his spare time "with minimal antennas and only an ICOM-7000 at my disposal. I will be able to do SSB and some CW likely on 15, 17, and 20m". [TNX NG3K and The Daily DX]
CT7 - CT1BOP, CT1DIZ, CT1EEQ, CT1EGW, CT1EKD, CT1END, CT1IUA and CT4NH will participate in the IOTA Contest as CS5DX from Bugio Island (EU-040). QSL via bureau or direct to the qrz.com address. Before the contest, possibly starting on 25 July, they will be active as homecall/p (QSL via home call). This expedition commemorates the 20th anniversary of the first activation of Bugio Island, and a special award will be issued for making at least three QSOs with CS5DX during the contest. [TNX CT1END]
CY0 - Rick, AI5P will be joining Gary, VE1RGB and Murray, WA4DAN for the 1-11 October CY0P DXpedition to Sable Island (NA-063) [425DXN 1143]. They will operate CW, SSB and RTTY on 160-10 metres. Bookmark www.cy0dxpedition.com for updates.
F - Vincent, F4BKV will be active as F4BKV/p from four IOTA groups in four days: EU-148 (21 June), EU-058 (22 June), EU-070 (23 June), EU-095 (24 June). He will operate SSB starting around 6 UTC until 18 UTC each day, mainly on 20 and 15 metres and possibly 17 metres. QSL via home call, preferably through the OQRS on his

website (www.f4bkv.net). [TNX F4BKV]
FH - Silvano I2YSB, Vinicio IK2CIO, Angelo IK2CKR, Marcello IK2DIA, Stefano IK2HKT, Gino IK2RZP, Alberto IZ2XAF and Mac JA3USA will be active on 160-6 metres as TO2TT from Mayotte (AF-027) on 3-17 October [425DXN 1143]. QSL via I2YSB (direct) or IK2CIO (bureau) and LoTW. Further information, including real-time logsearch, QSLling details and OQRS for direct cards, can be found at www.i2ysb.com/idt. The pilot stations will be IK7JWY and (for 6m) IK0FTA; there will be a dedicated forum on www.hamradioweb.org. [TNX IK7JWY]
H4 - "As you are all aware the H44IOTA DXpedition has suffered significant delays due to weather conditions and boat maintenance", Penny Goldfinch posted on the expedition's website on 19 June, and "such delays have taken their toll on the team". Dom SQ9KWW, Tom WL7HP and Maggie H44MK are unable to continue the journey, and "consequently we will now have to omit the activation of OC-285". Ralph (H44RK) and Penny will leave Honiara on 21 June and anticipate being active from Roderick Bay in the Florida Islands (OC-158) on the 23rd. Ralph will be the only operator, but he plans to be QRV "several hours a day, determined by propagation". The duration and timing of this and all other activations will be dictated by weather conditions. Bookmark http://h44iota.com/ for updates.
HK0_sa - A multi-national team from DX Friends (EA1SA, EA2RY, EA5RM, EA7AJR, EA7KW, F6ENO, F8ATS, F9IE, HK3CW, HK6F, IN3ZNR and RG8K) will be active from San Andres Island (NA-033) 1-10 November. Callsign TBA. They will operate CW, SSB and RTTY on 160-6 metres with at least four stations at the same time on different bands and modes. QSL via EA5RM. Bookmark www.dxfriends.com/SanAndres2013/ for further information and updates, including (in due course) logsearch and OQRS. [TNX EA5RM]
HR - Dan HR2DMR (http://hriotas.com/) left the Swan Islands (HQ8S, NA-035) on 18 June and went to Vivorillos (HQ8D, NA-223) for a couple of days. His movements are dependant on the Honduran Navy, whose "needs come first". However, the Navy will bring him back to NA-223 in July for the full planned operation (16-20 July). Dan is expected to return to Swan Island, "but not sure as to how long he will be there. Hopefully he will get a little more operating time before he has to return to main land Honduras". QSL via KD4POI.
I - Members of the 599DX Team and ARMI Taranto will be active as IJ7T from San Pietro Island (EU-073) on 26-28 July, including an entry in the IOTA Contest. They will operate SSB, CW and digital modes on the HF bands, 6 and 2 metres. QSL via IK7WDS (OQRS for direct and bureau cards on Club Log). [TNX IZ7AUH]
J7 - Rick KK4GV will be active again as J79GV from Dominica (NA-101) from 29 June to 6 July. He will operate SSB holiday style. QSL via home call and LoTW. [TNX NG3K]
JA - Mitsuo JA1UNS, Suehiro JI1PLF, Takeo 7L4PVR, Hisashi 7N1GMK and Kazuhiko 7N4VPS will be active as homecall/1 from Hachijo Island (AS-043) on 18-21 October. They will operate CW, SSB and RTTY on

160-6 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX JI1PLF]
KG4 - The 22-29 June operation from Guantanamo Bay [425DXN 1153] has
been delayed. Terry KG4RX (QSL via K4RX) and Ken KG4TO (QSL via
AC4TO) now expect to be active from 29 June through 9 July. They
will operate on 6 metres and the HF bands. Logsearch will be
available on Club Log with regular updates. [TNX NG3K]
KH6 - Alex, F4GHS will be active holiday style as KH6/F4GHS from Hawaii
(OC-019) on 3-23 August. He will be QRV on 80-10 metres SSB from
Oahu (3-7 August), Kauai (7-12 August), Maui (12-18 August) and
Hawai'i (18-23 August). QSL via F0GAZ. [TNX F4GHS]
LX - Rene ON6OM, Eddy ON6ZV, Martin ON7EG and Michel ON4MW will be
active as LX/OO6P from Luxemburg from 30 June to 5 July. They will
operate SSB and digital modes on the HF bands. QSL via ON6ZV,
direct or bureau. Further information can be found at
www.qsl.net/on6om/lx-oo6p
PJ7 - Marco, KC9FFV will be active as PJ7FF from Sint Maarten (NA-105)
on 6-13 July. He will operate holiday style on 40-10 metres SSB.
QSL via KC9FFV (direct only), LoTW and eQSL. [TNX KC9FFV]
S2 - The Mediterraneo DX Club is organizing a DXpedition to take place
from Bangladesh on 19-29 November. A team of 20-22 operators from
9 countries will be active on all bands and modes with several
stations. The team aims at establishing "a real cooperation with
the local hams to assist them in any needs and improve their
knowledge and skill in the Amateur Radio world". Further
information will be available in due course. A dedicated website
is under construction at www.mdxc.org/bangladesh2013 [TNX MDXC]
SV - Gabi, HA1YA will be active as SW8EA from Thassos Island (EU-174)
on 5-21 July. He will operate CW and SSB on the HF bands, 6m, 4m,
2m and 70cm. QSL via home call. [TNX HA0HW]
TG - The Club de Radioaficionados de Guatemala (TG0AA) will conduct a
DXpedition "to the heart of the Mayan world" and be active as
TG1B, TG2C and TG3D from the archaeological site of Tikal on 22-23
June. Look for activity on 40 and 20 metres SSB. Information on
the relevant award can be found on http://www.qrz.com/db/TG0AA.
[TNX TG9ANF]
UA - Victor, RU0ZM will be working as a meteorologist at Kamenskoe, in
a rare Russian District (RDA KT-13), until November. He will be
QRV as RU0ZM/0 on the HF bands in his spare time. QSL via UA0ZC.
[TNX W7ZWA]
UA - Victor R1NU, Gennady R3BY and Maxim RU5D will be active as either
R20RRC/1 (special callsign celebrating the 20th anniversary of the
Russian Robinson Club) and R1NU/p, R3BY/1 and RU5D/1 from Sidorov
Island (EU-147) on 23-29 June. They will operate CW, SSB and PSK
on 40-10 metres. QSL R20RRC/1 via RZ3EC. [TNX RD3BN]
VR - Kazu, VR2KF will participate in the IOTA Contest from his home QTH
on the island of Ma Wan (AS-006). He plans to be QRV on 20, 15 and
10 metres. He might leave the island in early 2014. [TNX NG3K]
W - A group of 10-12 operators from the Kennehoochee Amateur Radio
Club (W4BTI) will be active as K4S from Sapelo Island (NA-058) on
12-14 September. They plan to be QRV on all bands and modes. QSL

direct to W4BTI (P.O. Box 1245, Marietta GA 30060, USA), LoTW and eQSL. [TNX WF4W]
YB - YB0D is the callsign to be used for the 27-30 June activity from Damar Besar Island (OC-177) [425DXN 1153]. QSL direct to YB0JZS.
YV0 - The 4M5DX Group is organizing a DXpedition to take place from Aves Island (NA-020) sometime between 1 November 2013 and 28 February 2014. Eleven operators from Venezuela, Argentina, Finland and Spain will be active as YW0A on 160-6 metres all modes. QSL via EB7DX (OQRS for direct and bureau cards on Club Log) and LoTW. Bookmark www.avesisland.info for further information and updates.

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**** GOOD TO KNOW ... ****
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DAYTON PHOTO GALLERY ---> The Dayton Hamvention 2013 Photo Gallery (353 pictures) can be found at http://hamgallery.com/dayton2013/. This is the 17th year for the Dayton Photo Galleries. [TNX K8CX]

H44AJ & H44S ---> Logsearch and OQRS for the recent activity from Sikaiana (OC-285) by Mike, K9AJ (H44AJ) and Nando, IT9YRE is now up and running at http://www.it9yre.it/h44/

OPERATOR WANTED ---> The T33A team (Banaba Island 2013: see 425DXN 1153) has one opening for another operator. If interested in participatin in the DXpediton (www.t33a.com), please email t33-op[@]t33a.com for details. [TNX AA4FL]

QSL VIA OM3JW ---> Steve, OM3JW will have logs and cards for Z81D, 3W1M and XV9DX at Hamradio 2013 (Friedrichshafen). Should you need any of them, please visit the Slovak Republic's booth (nr 567, Halle A1) on 28 and 29 June till 2 PM. [TNX OM3JW]

+ SILENT KEYS - Wilse Morgan (WX7P, ex KL7CQ) passed away on 13 June. First licensed back in 1952 as WN6PVF, in 1984 - along with KL7HFQ and KL7KL - he conducted the first amateur radio license exam session under the Volunteer Examiner programme. He was inducted into the CQ Amateur Radio Hall of Fame in 2009.
Domenico Marino, IT9TAI passed away unexpectedly on 17 June from a heart attack. Born 1932 and licensed since 1950, he was a DXCC chaser with a penchant for CW, a 2m pioneer, an antenna designer and a co-founder and past president of ARI Palermo.

QSLs received direct or through managers: 3B8CF, 3B9DX, 3D2MJ, 3XY1D, 5U9AMO, 5W0M, 6V7S, 7X7QB, 9H5BZ, 9H5DX, 9K2OD, 9M4SLL, 9N7SZ, 9Y4LDK, A35JP, A35NW, A3EAQ, A61Q, A61R, A62A, A71CT, BY1WXD/0, C31KC, C6AJR, C91RF, C98RF, CE2/CX1EK, CM8AKY, CN8QN, CP6XE, CT3E, CX9AU, D2EB, D4C,

DU1/R6AF/p (OC-090), DU1/W7XA, E51E (OC-083), EH6ITU, ES1QD, ES1TU, EX8MLE, EY8/UA4WHX, EY8AR, FH/DL7BC, FS/DK5ON, GB75FOC, GC4FOC/P, GH4FOC, GI4DOH, GP4FOC, GS4FOC, GT4FOC, H40T, H44G, HC2AQ, HI0UD, HI8A, HQ9R, HZ1TT, J35X, J39BS, J49C, J77A, J79WE, J88DR, JD1BMH, JX9JKA, KG4QW, KH6ZM, LY2BAW, M0RSE, OD5PY, P29NO, PJ2/K8LEE, PJ4/SP6AXW, PJ4/SP9FIH, PJ4/SQ9CNN, PJ4NX, PT0S, PY2XU/p (SA-024), RA4HKM/0 (AS-025), S503EO, SU8N (AF-109), SU9VB, SV5BYR, SX5KL, T2GM, T2TT, T46RRC (NA-204), T48RRC (NA-218), T77LA, TA1/JH0CJH, TE1856, TF3IG, TJ3AY, TK0INT (EU-100), TK1INT (EU-104), TK2INT (EU-164), TO22C, TZ6BB, V31HU (NA-180), V31MV (NA-180), V32EE (NA-180), V85RY, V85TZ, V85XD, VK9/OH1VR, VK9CZ, VK9LT, VK9NN, VP2EMR, VP2ETE, VP5JM, VQ9JC, VR2XMT, XF2E (NA-171), XR0YG, XT2TT, XU1A, XW4CR, XX9TYT, YB3MM/p (OC-237), YB8XM/p (OC-271), YB9NDT, YB9YKI (OC-147), YS1AG, Z31PK, Z6/S52DD, ZK3T, ZS6CCY.

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21331. Report SIDC Ursigram

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Date: 2013-06-22 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21331

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:Issued: 2013 Jun 22 1210 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
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# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
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SIDC URSIGRAM 30622
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 22 Jun 2013, 1206UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 22 Jun 2013 until 24 Jun 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 22 Jun 2013 10CM FLUX: 140 / AP: 019
PREDICTIONS FOR 23 Jun 2013 10CM FLUX: 145 / AP: 005
PREDICTIONS FOR 24 Jun 2013 10CM FLUX: 145 / AP: 003
COMMENT:The background X-ray radiation is near the top of the B-level. NOAA AR 1777
has a probability of more than 50% to flare in the C-level. M-flares are
still possible. Solar wind speed is around 600 km/s. The density and the
magnetic field decreased. This behaviour of the solar wind parameters is a
typical coronal hole signature: a co-rotating interaction region with
relatively high density and compressed magnetic field is followed by the
actual fast solar wind emanating from the coronal hole itself. This is a
typical lower density plasma. Geomagnetic conditions returned to
quiet/unsettled conditions.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 083, BASED ON 09 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 21 Jun 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 133
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 027
AK WINGST : 020
ESTIMATED AP : 022
ESTIMATED ISN : 095, BASED ON 17 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21332. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-06-23 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21332

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:Issued: 2013 Jun 23 1206 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30623
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 23 Jun 2013, 1206UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 23 Jun 2013 until 25 Jun 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Active conditions expected (A>=20 or K=4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 23 Jun 2013 10CM FLUX: 130 / AP: 028
PREDICTIONS FOR 24 Jun 2013 10CM FLUX: 125 / AP: 019
PREDICTIONS FOR 25 Jun 2013 10CM FLUX: 125 / AP: 004
COMMENT:Flaring activity has been calm with 1 C-flare on June 22. C-flaring
activity is possible for the coming day. A new active region, 1778 rotated
over the east limb. It is located in the southern hemisphere. The solar
wind speed is still relatively high with 600 km/s. The total magnetic field
imbedded in the solar wind increased slightly to around 8 nT this morning
at 4UT. The z-component was negative - between 0 and -5nT from yesterday
June 22 afternoon until June 23, 4UT. From that moment, it fluctuated
between negative and positive values. These negative values induced active
conditions today, June 23. These solar wind conditions are probably linked
with the coronal hole in the northern hemisphere. A wide coronal mass
ejection was detected by CACTus on June 22, 14:12UT. The CME had an angular
width of 160 degrees. No solar event on the solar disk facing the Earth
could be linked to this eruption. It was seen as a halo CME by STEREO A. We
conclude that the CME is back-sided.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 086, BASED ON 05 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 22 Jun 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 130
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 025
AK WINGST : 016
ESTIMATED AP : 017
ESTIMATED ISN : 092, BASED ON 16 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21333. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-06-24 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21333

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:Issued: 2013 Jun 24 1302 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
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# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30624
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 24 Jun 2013, 1306UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 24 Jun 2013 until 26 Jun 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Active (M-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Active conditions expected (A>=20 or K=4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Warning condition (activity levels expected to increase, but no numeric
forecast given)
PREDICTIONS FOR 24 Jun 2013 10CM FLUX: 128 / AP: 017
PREDICTIONS FOR 25 Jun 2013 10CM FLUX: 128 / AP: 019
PREDICTIONS FOR 26 Jun 2013 10CM FLUX: 128 / AP: 010
COMMENT:Solar activity has been active during the past 24 hours, featuring an M2.9
flare and two C flares, both from NOAA AR 11778. The M2.9 flare peaked at
20:56 UT on June 23, and the second C flare, peaking at 11:32 UT on June
24, was a C9.9 flare. More C flares are expected within the next 48 hours,
with a high chance for an M flare from AR 11778. The 10 MeV protons were
above the 10 pfu threshold from 20h UT on June 23 till 9h UT on June 24,
and are slowly declining again. A large flare could however push the proton
flux back above this threshold, which is why we issue a proton warning
condition. The solar wind is still in a coronal hole high speed stream
regime, with solar wind speeds gradually decreasing from around 600 km/s to
approximately 550 km/s.The IMF ranged between 2 and 8 nT. Solar wind speeds
are expected to remain high, but continue their gradual decrease on June
24, 25 and 26. Geomagnetic activity was at quiet to active levels (K
Dourbes between 2 and 4; NOAA Kp between 1 and 2) during the past 24 hours.
Quiet to active conditions (K Dourbes < 5) are expected for June 24 to 26.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 075, BASED ON 14 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 23 Jun 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 128
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 023
AK WINGST : 026
ESTIMATED AP : 023
ESTIMATED ISN : 078, BASED ON 14 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
23 2048 2056 2059 S15E62 M2.9 1N 51 ///1778 III/1
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21334. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-06-25 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21334

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:Issued: 2013 Jun 25 1239 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30625
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 25 Jun 2013, 1206UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 25 Jun 2013 until 27 Jun 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 25 Jun 2013 10CM FLUX: 114 / AP: 010
PREDICTIONS FOR 26 Jun 2013 10CM FLUX: 112 / AP: 011
PREDICTIONS FOR 27 Jun 2013 10CM FLUX: 110 / AP: 011
COMMENT:Solar activity has been eruptive during the past 24 hours, featuring a C2.0
and a C3.0 flare, both from NOAA AR 11775. More C flares are probable
within the next 48 hours, with a slight chance for an M flare. A filament
eruption took place near 30N 15-45E on June 24, around 23h UT. This
material is not expected to travel to Earth. The solar wind is still in a
coronal hole high speed stream regime, with solar wind speeds ranging
between about 500 km/s and 570 km/s, while the IMF decreased from 6 to 4
nT. Solar wind speeds are expected to remain high, but continue their
gradual decrease on June 25 and 26. Geomagnetic activity was at quiet to
active levels (K Dourbes between 1 and 4; NOAA Kp between 2 and 4) during
the past 24 hours. Quiet conditions (K Dourbes < 4) are expected for June
25 to 27.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 050, BASED ON 11 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 24 Jun 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 112
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 121
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 023
AK WINGST : 018
ESTIMATED AP : 018
ESTIMATED ISN : 071, BASED ON 20 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21335. Current IRC's for sale

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-06-26 01:23:31 UTC
From: K1XN
Topic: 21335 Message: 21335

Current IRC's for sale
50 IRC pack is $1.40 each (total $70.00 for 50) and includes shipping to USA

25 IRC pack is $1.50 each (total $37.50 for 25) and includes shipping to USA

5-24 IRCs will be $1.65 each plus postage USA only

If interested email me for availability.? golist@...

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21336. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-06-26 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21336

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:Issued: 2013 Jun 26 1231 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30626
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 26 Jun 2013, 1206UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 26 Jun 2013 until 28 Jun 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 26 Jun 2013 10CM FLUX: 104 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 27 Jun 2013 10CM FLUX: 104 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 28 Jun 2013 10CM FLUX: 104 / AP: 007
COMMENT:Solar activity has been eruptive during the past 24 hours, featuring two
low C flares from NOAA AR 11775 and 11776. More C flares are possible
within the next 48 hours, with a slight chance for an M flare. The
influence of the coronal hole high speed stream on the solar wind is
gradually weakening. During the past 24 hours, solar wind speeds have
decreased from about 520 to 440 km/s, while the IMF went further down from
4 to 2 nT. The solar wind speed is expected to continue its descent until
June 28, when we will likely see the effects of another coronal hole high
speed stream. Geomagnetic activity was at quiet levels (K Dourbes between 1
and 3; NOAA Kp between 1 and 2) during the past 24 hours. Quiet conditions
(K Dourbes < 4) are expected for June 26 till the first half of June 28. On
the second half of June 28, active periods (K Dourbes=4) are possible as a
consequence of the expected arrival at Earth of a new coronal hole high
spead stream.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 041, BASED ON 11 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 25 Jun 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 109
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 009
AK WINGST : 009
ESTIMATED AP : 009
ESTIMATED ISN : 052, BASED ON 20 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21337. SV2ASP/A

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-06-26 21:21:11 UTC
From: donhall161
Topic: 21214 Message: 21337

QSL received today from Monk Apollo for 17M QSO on May 24.

This was during a several day operation contest style.

Super fast response with SAE and GS.

21338. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-06-27 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21338

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:Issued: 2013 Jun 27 1253 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30627
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 27 Jun 2013, 1206UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 27 Jun 2013 until 29 Jun 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Minor storm expected (A>=30 or K=5)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 27 Jun 2013 10CM FLUX: 105 / AP: 008
PREDICTIONS FOR 28 Jun 2013 10CM FLUX: 105 / AP: 034
PREDICTIONS FOR 29 Jun 2013 10CM FLUX: 107 / AP: 008
COMMENT:Solar activity has been eruptive during the past 24 hours, featuring two
low C flares from NOAA AR 11774 and 11778. More C flares are possible
within the next 48 hours, with a slight chance for an M flare. During the
past 24 hours, the solar wind speed has decreased from about about 440 to
370 km/s, while the IMF varied between 1.5 and 4 nT. Geomagnetic activity
was at quiet levels (K Dourbes between 1 and 3; NOAA Kp = 1) during the
past 24 hours. Quiet conditions (K Dourbes < 4) are expected for June 27.
On June 28, active levels (K Dourbes=4) with minor storm periods (K Dourbes
= 5) are possible as a consequence of the expected arrival at Earth of a
new coronal hole high speed stream. The coronal hole high speed stream's
geomagnetic effects will likely decrease on June 29, when quiet to active
levels (K Dourbes < 5) are expected.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 040, BASED ON 12 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 26 Jun 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 063
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 107
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 006
AK WINGST : 003
ESTIMATED AP : 002
ESTIMATED ISN : 041, BASED ON 18 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21339. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-06-28 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21339

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:Issued: 2013 Jun 28 1234 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30628
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 28 Jun 2013, 1206UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 28 Jun 2013 until 30 Jun 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Active conditions expected (A>=20 or K=4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 28 Jun 2013 10CM FLUX: 098 / AP: 026
PREDICTIONS FOR 29 Jun 2013 10CM FLUX: 098 / AP: 019
PREDICTIONS FOR 30 Jun 2013 10CM FLUX: 098 / AP: 007
COMMENT:Solar activity has been eruptive during the past 24 hours, featuring three
C flares, from NOAA AR 11777 and 11778. The brightest flare was a C7.3
flare released by NOAA AR 11778 with peak time at 03:37 UT on June 28. More
C flares are possible within the next 48 hours, with a chance for an M
flare. NOAA AR 11777 released two CMEs (observed by LASCO C2 at 20:37 on
June 27 and 02:00 on June 28). The first CME is not expected to be geo-
effective, while there is a slight chance for a glancing blow from the
second CME on July 1st. ACE detected a shock in the solar wind at 13:53 UT
on June 27, probably due to some unidentified CME. The solar wind speed
jumped from about 380 km/s to around 460 km/s, and has currently decreased
again to 365 km/s. The IMF jumped from 3 to 8 nT, has subsequently further
risen to 12 nT near 2h UT on June 28, and has since been gradually
decreasing, with current values around 9 nT. Geomagnetic activity was at
quiet to active levels (K Dourbes between 1 and 4) during the past 24
hours. Quiet to active conditions (K Dourbes < 4) are expected for June 28,
with a chance for a minor geomagnetic storm (K Dourbes = 5). On June 29,
quiet to active levels (K Dourbes = 4) with minor storm periods are
possible as a consequence of the expected arrival at Earth of a new coronal
hole high speed stream. Quiet geomagnetic levels (K Dourbes < 4) are likely
on June 30.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 050, BASED ON 07 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 27 Jun 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 058
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 100
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 019
AK WINGST : 010
ESTIMATED AP : 009
ESTIMATED ISN : 043, BASED ON 21 STATIONS.
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NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END

21340. 425 DX Calendar - #1156

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-06-28 16:02:46 UTC
From: r_brothers
Topic: 21340 Message: 21340

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09/08-14/08 R20RRC/8: Zhuravlinyy Island (AS-109) 1156
August RV3EFH/0: Bolshevik Island (AS-042) 1139
August TU5DF: Cote d'Ivoire 1153
06/09-16/09 XW: Laos * by 9M6DXX and others 1145
12/09-14/09 K4S: Sapelo Island (NA-058) 1155
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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** DX INFORMATION ****
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9A - Croatia is set to become the 28th member state of the European Union on 1 July. To celebrate the accession, the Radio Club Grada Zaboka has been active as 9A28EU for about three months and will continue until the end of the year. Also, Croatian amateurs can apply for "28" to be added to their ordinary prefixes, and use these special prefixed callsigns (9A280AAA-9A289ZZZ) between 1 July and 31 December: for instance, 9A2AA will become 9A282AA. [TNX 9A2AA]
CE0X - Mike, WU2D has received his reciprocal licenses for Chilean mainland (CE1/WU2D) and San Felix (CE0X/WU2D). He expects to go to the island on 8 July and to be working there for five days. If he gets permission from the Navy, he will be QRV in his spare time most likely on 15, 17, 20 and 40 metres SSB and some CW. [TNX The Daily DX]
CP - Antonio, EA5RM will be working on a non-governmental organization's project in Bolivia on 3-19 July. He will be busy installing solar-powered HF equipment for medical and emergency use at communities on the Maniqui River and in the Amazon jungle. The project is being developed by Radioaficionados Sin Fronteras (www.rsf-rwf.org) and Solidaridad Medica Espana (www.solidaridadmedicacanaria.com). He plans to be QRV as CP1XRM in his limited spare time with a 100-watt solar-powered station and a vertical antenna. [TNX EA5RM]
DL - Jan-Henrik, DG8HJ will be active from Fehmarn Island (EU-128) on 6-21 July. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX rsgbiota.org]
DU - According to the information posted by JN6RZM on his blog, Sadao JA1PBV might be active as either DU9/JA1PBV or DU9/WK1S from the Sarangani Islands (OC-175) during the weekend. On 28 June he was in the city of General Santos (southern Mindanao Island).
E5_sc - Andy, E51AND will be on the air from Mangaia (OC-159), South Cook Islands on 15-19 July. This is not a DXpedition, as he is going with his wife who will be working with teachers in the schools. He plans to operate SSB and QRS CW (< 10 wpm) runnin 100 watts to a 14m vertical antenna with radials and mounted near the lagoon. His wife Kat, E51KC might operate a bit on 20 metres SSB. [TNX E51AND]
FO - Vadym, UT6UD will be active as FO/UT6UD from Hiva Oa, Marquesas (OC-027) on 7-13 July and from Rurutu (OC-050), Austral Islands on

14-22 July. He will operate CW, SSB and RTTY on 30-10 metres. QSL via home call, direct (see qrz.com for his PayPal account) or bureau.
FP - Once again Eric, KV1J will be active as FP/KV1J from Miquelon Island (NA-032) on 6-16 July. Plans are to operate mainly SSB and RTTY with some CW and PSK31 on 160-10 metres ("generally on the highest frequency band open"), plus 6m if there are "indications of openings". He will also take part in the IARU HF World Championship (13-14 July). QSL via home call, direct or bureau, LoTW and eQSL. Further information can be found at http://www.kv1j.com/fp/July13.html
G - Subject to prior authorisation, amateur radio operators in the United Kingdom may use special prefixes from 23 UTC on 4 July to 23 UTC on the 31st to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Radio Society of Great Britain (RSGB). The second letter in the existing call sign (D, I, J, M, U, W, etc, plus E for Intermediate licences) may be replaced by the letter "V"; where no second letter exists, the letter "V" may be added. For instance, GD0XXX (Isle of Man), GI0XXX (Northern Ireland), GJ0XXX (Jersey), GM0XXX (Scotland), GU0XXX (Guernsey), GW0XXX (Wales) and G0XXX (England) may all be amended to GV0XXX. Alan, 5B4AHJ is constructing a page "to help clarify which special calls are QRV from which DXCC entity": go to http://clublog.freshdesk.com/support/solutions and search for "UK Special Event Callsigns".
HH - Tom, KC0W plans to be active as HH5/KC0W "from the extreme northern tip of Haiti on 6-25 July. He will operate CW only on 160-6 metres using vertical antennas placed directly over salt water. QSL via KC0W, direct only. [TNX NG3K]
I - ARI La Spezia will participate in the IOTA Contest as IP1T from Tino Island (EU-083). QSL via IZ5JLF. [TNX IZ5JLF]
JA - Take, JI3DST will be active on 40-6 metres SSB and CW as JI3DST/JI1 from Shikine Island (AS-008) on 26-29 July. During the IOTA Contest he expects to be signing JI3DST/1. QSL via home call, bureau preferred. [TNX JI3DST]
OJ0 - ON4CCP, ON4LEM, ON5JT, ON6QO and ON8VP will be active as OJ0V from Market Reef (EU-053) on 1-6 July. They will operate SSB, CW and digital modes on the HF bands. QSL via ON4CCP. [TNX ARRL DX Bulletin]
PJ5 - Frank, K3TRM (www.k3trm.com) is active as PJ5/K3TRM from St. Eustatius (NA-145) until 6 July. He operates SSB, CW and RTTY on the HF bands and with a special focus on 6 metres. QSL via home call (OQRS for direct and bureau cards on Club Log) and LoTW.
PJ7 - Kjerstin, AF6KJ and Travis, AF6WU will be active as PJ7/AF6KJ and PJ7/AF6WU from Sint Maarten on 5-9 July, and as FS/AF6KJ and FS/AF6WU from Saint Martin on 10-14 July. QSL all calls via AF6WU. [TNX The Daily DX]
S2 - The website for the 19-29 November DXpedition to Bangladesh [425DXN 1155] is now up and running at www.mdxc.org/bangladesh2013/ A large multi-national team of operators from the Mediterraneo DX Club will be active on 160-6m with six stations. Callsign TBA. QSL

via IK2VUC, direct or bureau, and LoTW. Further information, including logsearch and OQRS in due course, can be found on the website.
SM - Eric, SM1TDE from Gotland Island (EU-020) will operate CW only as SJ1SOP for the Sea Of Peace Award (information at www.mydarc.de/dl0sop/) on 1-31 July. He will also participate in the IOTA Contest as SA1A. QSL via SM1TDE, bureau preferred. [TNX SM1TDE]
SM - Anders, SM5EFX will be QRV holiday style as SF2X/p from Ledskar Island (EU-135) on 5-31 July. He will concentrate his activity during the IOTA Contest. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX rsgbiota.org]
UA - According to the schedule published on http://robinsons.ru, planned IOTA expeditions under the Russian Robinson Club's 20th anniversary special callsign include R20RRC/1 from Morzhovets Island (EU-119) on 24-26 July and R20RRC/8 from Zhuravlinyy Island (AS-109) on 9-14 August. QSL via RZ3EC.
VE - Peter, VE3JPP will use the special callsign CF3X from 4 July until 3 August to commemorate the 70th anniversary of Operation Husky during World War II. QSL via home call. [TNX VA3RJ]
W - The following stations will be active during the "Original 13 Colonies Special Event", which will be held on from 13 UTC on 1 July through 4 UTC on the 7th: K2A (New York), K2B (Virginia), K2C (Rhode Island), K2D (Connecticut), K2E (Delaware), K2F (Maryland), K2G (Georgia), K2H (Massachusetts), K2I (New Jersey), K2J (North Carolina), K2K (New Hampshire), K2L (South Carolina) and K2M (Pennsylvania). Further information on the event and the relevant certificate can be found at www.13colonies.info
W - Lou, W0FK will be active as W0FK/4 from Longboat Key (NA-034) on 3-7 July. He hopes to be QRV on 6 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX rsgbiota.org]
YB - A team of 25 operators will be active as YB9Y from Pulau Brassi (OC-276, new one for IOTA) on 15-21 October. They will operate CW, SSB and digital modes on 160-6 metres. QSL via YB1GJS, direct and bureau. The website for the expedition is up and running at http://yb9y.com/

CARIBBEAN ---> Phil, G3SWH will be active as 8P9PW from Barbados until 1 July, and as 6Y5/G3SWH from Jamaica on 2-9 July. This is a business trip, and he operates (CW only on 80-10 metres) during his leisure time. QSL via G3SWH, OQRS preferred (www.g3swh.org.uk). He will upload his logs to LoTW as soon as possible after he returns home. [TNX G3SWH]

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H44IOTA ---> "Some issues have arisen about the current H44IOTA operations that need to be addressed before decisions can be taken about acceptance for IOTA. As this may take a little time to resolve, it may make sense to hold off sending your QSLs for the time being". [TNX www.rsgbiota.org]

IOTA NEWS ---> The following operations in the period May-June 2013 have provided acceptable validation and are therefore approved for IOTA credit: HQ3W (NA-160), YB8P (OC-208), YB8RW/P (OC-236), H44AJ (OC-285) and H44S (OC-285). OC-285 (Stewart Islands/Sikaiana Atoll) is now confirmed as a valid IOTA group. [TNX G3KMA]

K9W ---> The Wake Atoll Commemorative team's operation is progressing nicely. Most of the equipment has been received and is being pre-tested prior to shipment to the staging areas in California and Hawaii. The two week "on air" dates are anticipated to start the last week of September or first week of October. However, this is entirely dependent on the military flight schedule into and out of Wake Atoll and this has yet to be determined. Visit www.wake2013.org for updates and information on how to contribute to this expensive project. [TNX W8GEX]

YB0D ---> The website for the current DXpedition to Damar Besar Island (OC-177) [425DXN 1155] is up and running at www.damarbesardxpedition.com with detailed information and logsearch. Activity is expected to end at 3 UTC on 1 July. QSL via YB0JZS (direct only and postmarked not later than 31 December 2013) and LoTW (after six months). [TNX YF1AR]

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4L1UN EA7FTR HB30OK HB9OCR PJ4D DL1DI
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AH0J JA1NVF II3VR IQ3VO T6MH W2GR
AH0S JH1DVG II5RM IZ5DMC T6T RW6HS
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CN8QN EA7FTR JY8MX HZ1MX TM62MILL F5RHD
CN8YR EA7FTR K6VVA/KL7 N6AWD TM88CE F6CSQ
CO2RVA EA5GL KH0R JE6DND TU5DF F5SWB
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CO8LY EA7ADH LX0SAR DK4XC UE44ZOO RX4HJ
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21342. ARLP026 Propagation de K7RA

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To all radio amateurs

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ARLP026 Propagation de K7RA

Conditions were good for Field Day weekend last week. Only unsettled geomagnetic conditions (even quiet at times) affected us, no big flares or geomagnetic storms, and sunspot numbers also cooperated by peaking at 135 and 137 on Friday and Saturday. Geomagnetic instability was caused by a brisk solar wind, which was over by June 24.

At K7RA I used the ARRL Field Day Locator map at http://www.arrl.org/field-day-locator to contact a few club groups earlier in the week to see if they could use another CW operator. I've found in years past that with so many newer licensees who were not required to learn Morse code, that CW ops can be in demand at some sites. Not only are CW operators wanted at many Field Day locations, but the newer licensees are fascinated to see Morse code in action. I really don't think that some of us old-timers who worry about some imagined demise of CW have much to worry about.

At the last minute I changed my mind and decided to drag some gear accumulated over the past decade but never put on the air, and operate Class 1C, mobile single operator. Everything was last minute, including the antenna installation and power connections, with the radio sitting between the dashboard and the windshield.

The antenna was a very heavy kilowatt-rated screwdriver type antenna, about 20 pounds excluding any mounting hardware or a whip, although I swore it weighed twice as much. The plan was to mount it on a very heavy duty magnetic mount on the roof, perhaps with guying (this is not recommended by the manufacturer), but during assembly I discovered this would not work, as the mounting was not compatible with the antenna. So instead, during a fit of hacker improvisation, I leaned the heavy screwdriver assembly out the right-rear passenger window, (resting on the seat), and rolled up the window as far as I could to hold it in place. I cut the coax with PL-259 off the

magmount, stripped back the other end, and attached the center wire to the base of the antenna.

The next surprise was that although I had a 7 foot whip, I lacked the adaptor that would screw into the top of the antenna assembly. So what to do? Just stick it in the hole, let it roll around, and pray. I now had an antenna (of sorts) leaning out the right rear of my old car, about 35 degrees above horizontal, at best.

To hook the DC cable from the radio to the car battery, I needed to go through the firewall below the dashboard. Despite finding diagrams and advice specific to my 13-year-old car model online, I could not get the cable through. So I grabbed one of those portable starter batteries (fully charged), put it on the front passenger seat, and duct-taped the massive car battery connection clips (which are like jumper cables) to the DC cable from the radio, and another 12 VDC pair to the antenna tuning motor. In addition, to keep the battery charged, I tied in a very flimsy looking 12 VDC lighter plug in parallel with the whole mess, and plugged it into the dashboard lighter socket. This connector with wire was still in the bubble pack in my junk box after 20 years or more.

To finish it all off, I ran a couple of long counterpoise wires from the base of the antenna, out the rear doors and along the ground, attaching them to the coax shield broken out at the base of the antenna. I ran a heavy wire from the ground lug on the radio to a metal screw beneath the dashboard that seemed good for ground, at least at DC.

The whole thing worked, at least on 80 and 20 meters. 15 meters was marginal, and 40 meters I could not tune at all. Starting late Saturday evening, operating both SSB and CW, I lasted until about 1730 UTC Sunday morning. Most of the operation was from a local Seattle cemetery, on a nearby hilltop overlooking Lake Washington, east of the University of Washington. Very quiet, with power lines far away at the perimeter.

Back to solar activity, from the previous week, average daily sunspot numbers were up nearly 13 points to 109.7, and average daily solar flux rose nearly 7 points to 122. Geomagnetic activity was greater than the previous week, with average daily planetary A index rising from 4.3 to 12, and average mid-latitude A index rising from 4.9 to 11.9.

Ideally we would like to see the solar flux and sunspot numbers as high as possible, and the A index low, at least for 40 through 10 meters. On 160 meters we would like to see sunspot numbers low as well. I hear lots of complaints about this weird, weak solar cycle, but the 160 meter operators have absolutely no problem with the low activity.

Yesterday on Thursday, June 27 the solar flux dipped below 100 to 99.5, which is below the average for the previous seven days (122). Nothing significant about 100, it is just one of those nice round numbers, like when your odometer reaches 100,000 miles, or the atmospheric carbon dioxide reaches 400 ppm at Mauna Loa.

The 99.5 flux number is directly from the observatory in Penticton, British Columbia, but the NOAA site shows it at a nice round value of 100 (see http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/ftpdir/latest/DSD.txt). This is because NOAA has always reported this value in whole numbers, similar to the way the press reported recently that atmospheric carbon dioxide reached 400 ppm. The actual average value for the month of May was 399.77 ppm, but for all practical purposes you could say that it is 400 ppm, just as solar flux was 100. Any differences are very small.

The most recent prediction (Thursday, June 27, 2013 by forecasters Carr and Lash) from NOAA/USAF has 10.7 cm solar flux at 100 and 105 on June 28-29, 110 on June 30 through July 2, 105 and 100 on July 3-4, 100 on July 5-7, 115 and 120 on July 8-9, 125 on July 10-13, and 120 on July 14-16. Flux values then reach another peak of 130 on July 21.

>From the same forecast, planetary A index (which was 8 on Thursday, below the average of 12 for the previous seven days) is 17 and 9 on June 28 and 29, 5 on June 30 and July 1, then 7, 10 and 7 on July 2-4, 10 on July 5 and 6, 5 on July 7-16, 10 on July 17, 15 on July 18-20, then 18, 10 and 8 on July 21-23, and 15 on July 24 and 25. It looks like some unsettled geomagnetic conditions are in the forecast for July.

You can check for daily updates on this forecast out to 45 days ahead at http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/ftpmenu/forecasts/45DF.html. A new daily forecast generally appears some time after 2100 UTC daily.

Just received before release on early Friday morning, spaceweather.com reports earth-directed solar flares from sunspot groups 1777 and 1778. The two flares were C-class, and the CME could deliver a glancing blow to our Earth.

F.K. Janda, OK1HH believes that the geomagnetic field will be active to disturbed on June 28, quiet to unsettled June 29 through July 1, quiet on July 2, quiet to active July 3, active to disturbed July 4, mostly quiet July 5 and 6, quiet to unsettled July 7, mostly quiet July 8 and 9, quiet July 10-15, mostly quiet July 16 and 17, quiet to active July 18, mostly quiet July 19, active to disturbed July 20, and quiet to active July 21 and 22.

NOAA has a projection for the rest of the solar cycle, updated monthly, showing predicted smoothed sunspot numbers resolved to one-tenth, instead of whole numbers. The smoothing is a 13-month moving average, centered on any month of interest. Sunspot numbers are always whole numbers, so the resolution to one-tenth is an

artifact of the averaging or smoothing process.

For any current month, the number represents an average of the previous 6 months plus the current month plus the predicted values for each of the next 6 months. The first and last months in the calculation are factored in at 0.5.

Before the last day of June 2013, the smoothed sunspot number for February 2013 represents 10 months of known values and 3 months of predicted values, June through August 2013. These are based on the reported numbers from the Sunspot Index Data Center in Belgium. These numbers are always lower then the Boulder sunspot numbers, which are recorded at the bottom of each bulletin and in our own 3-month moving average, reported here monthly.

The predicted average sunspot numbers for March, 2013 through July 2014 are 67.5, 70.1, 72.7, 75.7, 78.6, 81.6, 84.7, 86.3, 86.9, 86.7, 86.4, 85.6, 84.7, 83.7, 82.6, 81.4 and 80.2. Note that the peak is centered on November 2013, or perhaps October 2013 through January 2014 to broaden the scope and hedge our bets. A similar prediction for monthly smoothed solar flux tracks this very closely, also peaking in November 2013. Let's see how this looks after the beginning of the new month.

Jeff Hartley, N8II of Shepherdstown, West Virginia is in grid square FM19cj, about three miles southwest and across the Potomac River from the Antietam National Battlefield, which is actually in Maryland.

On June 26 Jeff wrote: "This summer on HF at least below 12 meters has been one of the most interesting and exciting periods I can remember, despite the lackluster solar activity. Many nights 17 meters is open until midnight local time to southeast and northern Europe and, 15 is often open to Asia and Europe around 0200-0400 UTC.

After years of disappointment, the All Asia DX contest June 15-16 had above average conditions on 15 meters for most of the weekend. Just on 15 meters, I worked just short of 200 Asian stations with 106 prefixes in a part-time effort.

Saturday morning around 1200 UTC was a losing battle against the European stations into all parts of Asia. Saturday afternoon I returned after a long break at 2045 UTC to find very loud JA's who stayed loud until 2230 UTC, then gradually faded down until not many were audible by 0130 UTC. Sunday around 1200 UTC only JO3JIS had a good signal here from Japan; he was the most consistently loud JA here. A few signals from Central Asia were loud, such as UN/UP's.

Around 1350 UTC I returned to loud signals from all of Asia including Japan, which is fairly rare for this QTH, but had occurred several times the week before. Activity between Europe calling CQ

and Asians extended from 21.0 to 21.07 MHz! I don't think JA ever faded out completely all afternoon, but signals weakened about 1545 UTC. Our toughest area, Southeast Asia around 1500 UTC was quite loud, working three 9V1's with 9V1YC over S9! XW0YJY was heard, but I could not break thru the European pile-up. All total, I worked 58 Japanese prefixes and 19 from Asiatic Russia where activity was somewhat less than expected.

Almost every night, there is a good 20 meter opening to western Asia and Europe/Russia/Ukraine and Scandinavia from 0200-0400 UTC. Some of the DX worked late in the evening here include on June 11 FK8DD/M, ES5, ER3, UY5, OM3, then on 15 meters RA3TO/P and IZ7. On June 13, RV9CPB/9 on 17. June 14 featured ES3, EU7, and SM0 on 17 meter phone followed by on 15 meters, SM6, YL2, R4, RX4, RV9, RM5, HA8, UA6, UA4, UR4, R8, RZ6, UT9, UR0, and UA3T ending at 0312 UTC.

The sporadic E season on 6 meters has been disappointing. I missed European openings on June 13. On the June 19, W6XK in CM97 and N6JK in CM98 were logged on 6 meter CW around 0230 UTC. Finally, on June 23 and 24 we had a good opening to South America and Mexico, all multi-hop Es. At 2102 UTC, I worked PV8ADI with a S7 signal, the first ever Brazilian for me on Es; he stayed in for an amazing 2 hours plus longer! Then, 9Y4VU was found on SSB at 2107. YV1 was also heard along with VP2V. CO2WF was logged at 2304. Between 2331 UTC and 0039 UTC, five XEs over a wide area were worked mostly in XE2, good for some new grids. On June 24, PV8 was heard again with FM5WD being logged at 2224 UTC."

Thanks, Jeff! He mentions years of disappointment regarding working Asia, but here where I am on the West Coast, this is not a problem. This is just like Europe being easy to work from the East Coast.

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service at http://arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals. For an explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin, see http://arrl.org/the-sun-the-earth-the-ionosphere. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at http://arrl.org/w1aw-bulletins-archive-propagation. More good information and tutorials on propagation are at http://k9la.us/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://arrl.org/propagation.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of ARRL bulletins are at http://arrl.org/bulletins.

Sunspot numbers for June 20 through 26 were 128, 135, 137, 118, 82, 91, and 77, with a mean of 109.7. 10.7 cm flux was 126.3, 133.2, 130, 128.2, 120.6, 109.2, and 106.5, with a mean of 122. Estimated planetary A indices were 11, 17, 14, 15, 15, 8, and 4, with a mean of 12. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 12, 17, 13, 16, 14, 9,

and 2, with a mean of 11.9.
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21343. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-06-29 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21343

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:Issued: 2013 Jun 29 1219 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30629
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 29 Jun 2013, 1206UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 29 Jun 2013 until 01 Jul 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Minor storm expected (A>=30 or K=5)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 29 Jun 2013 10CM FLUX: 103 / AP: 037
PREDICTIONS FOR 30 Jun 2013 10CM FLUX: 103 / AP: 030
PREDICTIONS FOR 01 Jul 2013 10CM FLUX: 106 / AP: 007
COMMENT:Solar activity has been eruptive during the past 24 hours, featuring one
C1.6 flare from NOAA 11778, peaking at 17:05 UT on June 28. More C flares
are possible within the next 48 hours, with a slight chance for an M flare.
Over the past 24 hours, the solar wind speed showed a generally decreasing
trend from about 400 km/s to 350 km/s, until about 3h UT on June 29 when
this trend reversed, with current solar wind speeds around 400 km/s. The
IMF fluctuated around 12 nT throughout the period. K Dourbes has been at
minor storm levels (K Dourbes = 5) between 17h and 19h UT on June 28, and
again from 4h UT on June 29 till 8h UT on June 29. K Dourbes levels have
been active (K Dourbes = 4) since then. NOAA Kp has reached higher levels:
Kp = 5 between 21h UT on June 28 and 0h UT on June 29, Kp = 6 between 0h
and 3h UT, Kp = 7 between 3h and 6h UT, and Kp = 5 between 6h and 9h UT.
This geomagnetic activity is due to an extended Bz excursion of around -10
nT from 18h UT on June 28 till now. Minor storm levels (K Dourbes = 5) are
possible on June 29. On June 30, quiet to active geomagnetic levels (K
Dourbes < 5) are expected due to an expected coronal hole high speed
stream, with a possible minor storm around the end of June 30 or early on
July 1st, due to a glancing blow from the CME of 02:00 UT on June 28.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 050, BASED ON 07 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 28 Jun 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 088
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 101
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 046
AK WINGST : 023
ESTIMATED AP : 025
ESTIMATED ISN : 051, BASED ON 15 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
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21344. ARLD026 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-06-27 22:34:19 UTC
From: jjreisert@...
Topic: 5006 Message: 21344

SB DX @ ARL $ARLD026
ARLD026 DX news

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QST de W1AW
DX Bulletin 26 ARLD026
>From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT June 27, 2013
To all radio amateurs

SB DX ARL ARLD026
ARLD026 DX news

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by KC9FFV, NC1L, ON4LEM, XQ7UP, The Weekly DX, the OPDX Bulletin, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, DXNL, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

RODRIGUES ISLAND, 3B9. Robert, 3B9FR has been QRV on 20 meters using CW around 0230 to 0330z. QSL via HB9SLO.

SENEGAL, 6V. Vlad, RK4FF will be QRV as 6V7S from Ngaparou from July 1 to 16. Activity will be on 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL to home call.

GHANA, 9G. Hans, PB2T will be QRV as 9G5AA from July 2 to 7. Activity will be on the HF bands using all modes in his spare time. QSL to home call.

BAHRAIN, A9. Dave, EI3IO is QRV as A92IO until mid December. Activity is on 80 to 2 meters, including two channels on 60 meters. QSL to home call.

MOZAMBIQUE, C9. Antonio, EA4GBA is QRV as C91GBA from Matola until December 15. Activity is on the HF bands using SS. QSL direct to home call.

CHILE, CE. A group of operators will be QRV as VR77RG during the month of July to commemorate the 77th anniversary of the Radio Club Rancagua. Activity will be on all bands using SSB and PSK. QSL via CE4RG. In addition, a group of operators will be QRV as XR3PN during the month of July to commemorate the birth of Chilean poet and diplomat Pablo Neruda. Activity will be on all bands using SSB, RTTY and PSK. QSL via CE3OEV.

JAPAN, JA. Special event station 8N5CLEAN will be QRV from Shikoku, IOTA AS-076, from July 1 to October 31 during the Clean Reception

Environment Month. QSL via bureau.

MINAMI TORISHIMA, JD1. Take, JG8NQJ is QRV as JG8NQJ/JD1 from Marcus Island, IOTA OC-073, until August 15. QSL via JA8CJY.

SVALBARD, JW. Winfried, DL2GW will be QRV as JW/DL2GW from Spitzbergen Island, IOTA EU-026, from June 28 to July 1. Activity will be on 160 to 6 meters using all modes. QSL to home call.

BULGARIA, LZ. Members of the Radio Club Blagovestnik will be QRV as LZ1722SN during the month of July to honor the memory of St. Nicodemus. QSL via LZ1KCP.

MARKET REEF, OJ0. Operators ON5JT, ON6QO, ON4CCP, ON4LEM and ON8VP will be QRV as OJ0V from July 1 to 6. Activity will be on the HF bands using CW, SSB, RTTY and possibly PSK. QSL via operators' instructions.

CURACAO, PJ2. Wim, ON6DX will be QRV as PJ2/ON6DX from June 28 to July 7. Activity will be holiday style on 40 to 6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL to home call.

SABA, ST. EUSTATIUS, PJ5. Frank, K3TRM is QRV as PJ5/K3TRM from St. Eustatius, IOTA NA-145, until July 6. Activity is on the HF bands and 6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL to home call.

SINT MAARTEN, PJ7. Marco, KC9FFV will be QRV as PJ7FF from July 6 to 13. Activity will be holiday style on 40 to 10 meters using only SSB. QSL this operation via EA5GL.

GREECE, SV. Gabi, HA1YA will be QRV as SW8EA from Thassos Island, IOTA EU-174, from July 5 to 21. Activity will be holiday style on the HF bands, including 6, 4 and 2 meters and 70 cm using CW and SSB. QSL to home call.

IVORY COAST, TU. Dim, F5SWB is QRV as TU5DF from Abidjan until October. Activity is on 40 to 10 meters, including 6 meters, using mainly CW with some SSB and PSK31. QSL to home call.

CHRISTMAS ISLAND, VK9X. Fred, VK3DAC is QRV as VK9DAC. Activity is holiday style on 80 to 10 meters using SSB. QSL via operator's instructions.

INDONESIA, YB. Joy, YB0NSI and Jeffry, YC0LOU are QRV as YB0D from Damar Besar, Seribu Islands, IOTA OC-177, until July 1. Activity is on 160 to 10 meters using CW, SSB and various digital modes. QSL direct via YB0JZS.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The NCCC RTTY Sprint, Feld Hell Sprint, WAB 144 MHz Low Power Phone, RAC Canada Day Contest and the 10-10 International Spirit of 76 QSO Party are all on tap for this weekend. RSGB 80-Meter Club CW Championship is scheduled for July 1. The ARS Spartan CW Sprint is scheduled for July 2. Please see

June QST, page 79, July QST, page 80 and the ARRL and WA7BNM Contest websites for details.
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21345. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-06-30 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21345

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:Issued: 2013 Jun 30 1259 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30630
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 30 Jun 2013, 1206UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 30 Jun 2013 until 02 Jul 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Minor storm expected (A>=30 or K=5)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 30 Jun 2013 10CM FLUX: 102 / AP: 021
PREDICTIONS FOR 01 Jul 2013 10CM FLUX: 105 / AP: 030
PREDICTIONS FOR 02 Jul 2013 10CM FLUX: 107 / AP: 007
COMMENT:Solar activity has been eruptive during the past 24 hours, featuring two
low C flares from NOAA 11778 and NOAA 11781. More C flares are possible
within the next 48 hours, with a slight chance for an M flare, especially
from NOAA AR 11778, 11780 and 11781. Solar wind density increased around
5:00 UT on June 29, while wind speed and temperature began to rise, marking
the arrival of the expected coronal hole high speed stream. Meanwhile,
solar wind speed has increased from about 360 km/s to 500 km/s. In the past
24 hours, geomagnetic activity has been at quiet to active levels (K
Dourbes between 1 and 4; NOAA Kp between 2 and 4). A rise to minor storm
levels is possible on June 30 and the first half of July 1st, due to an
expected glancing blow from the CME of 02:00 UT on June 28. Quiet to active
levels are likely in the second half of July 1st, and a return to quiet
levels is expected on July 2nd.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 050, BASED ON 14 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 29 Jun 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 100
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 037
AK WINGST : 035
ESTIMATED AP : 048
ESTIMATED ISN : 045, BASED ON 22 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
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21346. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1118

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-06-30 19:11:02 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 21346 Message: 21346

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The Ohio/Penn DX PacketCluster
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BID: $OPDX.1118
July 1, 2013
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 23rd/June, through Sunday, 30th/June there were 221 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3B9, 3D2, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5B, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5W, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C2, C3, C5, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FS, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H3, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J5, J6, J7, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JX, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OJ0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ5, PJ7, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S5, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T32, T5, T7, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TR, TT, TU, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V3, V4, V5, V7, V8 VE, VK, VP2E, VP2V, VP8, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XW, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD8, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS, ZS8

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

13 COLONIES (Special Event). Just a reminder that the annual "13 Colonies Special Event" will take place between 1300z, July 1st and 0400z July 6th. There will be at least two stations from each on the 13 colonies

on the air, as well as Super contest stations, multi-operator Club stations and OM and XYL teams. The U.S. original 13 colonies are CT-DE-GA-MA-MD-NC-NH-NJ-NY-PA-RI-SC-VA. Special events stations mentioned are: K2A (NY), K2B (VA), K2C (RI), K2D (CT), K2E (DE), K2F (MD), K2G (GA), K2H (MA), K2I (NJ), K2J (NC), K2K (NH), K2L (SC), K2M (PA) and WM3PEN. The theme for 2013 will be "Banners of the Revolution". The certificate is printed on heavy card stock. Stations working one state, or as many as all 13, will be eligible for the certificate. A "Clean Sweep" indicator will be affixed for those lucky enough to "Q" all 13. A special endorsement will be attached for stations contacting their sister operation, WM3PEN, in Philadelphia, PA. All HF bands will be in play except the WARC bands and 60 meters. 2 meters and 6 meter simplex are encouraged. All modes of operation should be represented - SSB, CW, RTTY, Digital, and the Satellites. The mode of operation is up to the individual colony state station. For more details on the stations, suggested frequencies, QSL info and on how to obtain the special certificate, see: http://www.13colonies.info

3D2 & 3D2/R, FIJI AND ROTUMA ISLANDS. Operators Stan/LZ1GC and Rocky/3D2DD will be active from Fiji and Rotuma between September 20th and October 15th. Their schedule is as follows:
September 20-26th - Callsigns 3D2GC (Stan) and 3D2CC (Rocky); from the "Club Fiji Resort", Nadi, Fiji Republic, Viti Levu Island (OC-016, WW. Loc. RH82QF). Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW and SSB, with the following equipment: Kenwood TS-480 SAT + linear amplifier ACOM 1010/ACOM 1000. The antennas: EXP. GP 40-10m, 80/160 meters INV-L and GP.
September 27th-October 11th - Callsigns 3D2GC/P and 3D2DD/P; from Rotuma Island (OC-060). Activity will be on all HF bands.
Stan CW/SSB and Rocky only on SSB.
October 12-15th - Callsigns 3D2GC and 3D2CC again from Fiji Republic.
On October 16th, Stan, LZ1GC, will go back to Bulgaria.

QSL 3D2GC and 3D2GC/P via LZ1GC, direct or by the Bureau (see details on QRZ.com or the Web page below). QSL 3D2DD and 3D2DD/P via info on QRZ.com. For more details and updates, see: http://3d2gc.com

4X19, ISRAEL (Special Event). members of the Israel Amateur Radio Club (IARC) will activate 4X19MG in honor of the 19th Maccabiah Games between July 18-30th. The Maccabiah is an international Jewish athletic event, held in Israel every four years. QSL via 4Z1TL.

5B, CYPRUS. Tony, RT9T, will once again be active as 5B4ALB from Pachyammos (AS-004, MIA MCI-002, WLOTA 0051) between July 6-16th. Activity will be on all bands and modes. QSL via RT9T direct only. JUST REMINDER! Tony will also participate in the IARU HF Championships (July 13-14) as a member of the P3N team.

6Y, JAMAICA. By the time you read this, Phil, G3SWH, should be finishing up his business trip on Barbados, as well as his activity as 8P9PW. His lst day is July 1st. Activity was CW only during his leisure time. See <www.g3swh.org.uk/8p9pw.html> for more details. Phil will leave Barbados and travel to Jamaica on July 2nd, and hopes to be active as 6Y5/G3SWH between July 2-9th. Activity will be limited to his leisure time and will also be CW only. For more details and updates, see: http://www.g3swh.org.uk/6y5-g3swh.html

9X, RWANDA. Operators Allan/G3XAQ, Nick/G3RWF and possibly others will be active as 9X0XA and 9X0NH, respectively, during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th). They plan at least two Single-Band entries, possibly more depending on how many operators they have. QSL both callsigns via G3SWH.

CE0X, SAN FELIX (Update/Callsign Change). Mike, WU2D, informed OPDX this past week: "They mistakenly assigned me Robinson Crusoe (Juan Fernandez) Island callsign. I was lucky and turned it around fast with the help of the Radio Club de Chile and now have the correct callsign CE0X/WU2D." Remember to look for him around July 8th.

E5, SOUTH COOK ISLANDS (Update/Correct QSL Info). Back in March we reported that Andy, AB7FS/E51AND, and his XYL Kathy were moving to Rarotonga (OC-013) into a house in the part of Arorangi Beach called Inave (see OPDX.1104 for more details). "DX-World.net" reports this past week that Andy, E51AND, will be visiting Mangaia Island (OC-159) with his wife Kathy, E51KC, who will be working in the local school during the day. Between July 15-19th, Andy hopes to operate during his spare time using 43 ft vertical with about 40 ground radials, on SSB and CW. QSL direct to: P.O. Box 518, Avarua, Rarotonga, Cook Islands. Take a look at Andy's, E51AND, QRZ.com page for some great pictures.

EO15, UKRAINE. Members of the Ukrainian Radioamateur QRP Club are celebrating their 15th anniversary and will be active using the special callsign EO15QRP between July 12th and August 12th. QSL via UT2AB, by the Bureau or direct.

FT5ZM 2014 DXPEDITION. Ralph, K0IR, posted on June 21st the following article "Why Does This DXpedition Cost So Much?" on the FT5ZM Amsterdam Island DXpedition Web page at: http://www.amsterdamdx.org/why-does-this-dxpedition-cost-so-much

HD082, ECUADOR (Special Event). Members of the Quito Radio Club (HC1QRC) will be operating as HD082QRC (HD Zero Eighty Two QRC) to celebrate its 82nd anniversary between July 13-23rd. Activity will be on 160-2 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via HC1JQ (direct).

H44, SOLOMON ISLANDS (Update/Change/IOTA Op). It seems things are really changing for the H44IOTA operation. The RSGB IOTA Web page reports: "Some issues have arisen about the current H44IOTA operations that need to be addressed before decisions can be taken about acceptance for IOTA. As this may take a little time to resolve, it may make sense to hold off sending your QSLs for the time being..... G3KMA, 25 Jun 2013"

Also, "The Daily DX" reports that QSL Manager of H44IOTA operation,
Rex, NR6M, "asks that for the time being, until a decision is taken,
no further QSLs for the OC-149, OC-168, OC-047 and OC-158 operations
be sent to him.☐
On QRZ.com, it states, "All calls after June 20, 2013, will be made
by Ralph, H44RK, only. Team members SQ8X, SQ9KWW, H44MK, and WL7HP have
stepped back from the project for various reasons. Please respect their
privacy for the duration of the Project. Any inquiries go to Ralph at
<ralph.honiara@gmail.com>.
Paul, VK2HV, reported on June 29th, "Ralph as H44IOTA/MM today on 15m
said he will be sailing for Temotu H40 in about 3 weeks with a stop off
on OC-158 for a few days (maybe)."
The H44IOTA operation "was" to continue this week with activity from
Nendo Island (OC-100)[July 1-7th], Vanikolo/Utupua (OC-163) [July 9-12th]
and Reef Islands (OC-065) [July 14-16th], but who knows..... Stay tuned!

IOTA NEWS.............
AS-109. Members of the Russian Robinson Club (RRC) continue to activate
various islands and lighthouses to celebrate the RRC's 20th
anniversary until September 30th. Look for the RT9K team to
be active as R20RRC/8 from Zhuravlinyi Island (RR-026-43)
between August 9-14th. Activity will be on 40-10 meters using
CW, SSB and PSK. QSL R20RRC/1 via RZ3EC. For more details and
updates, watch: http://robinsons.ru

AS-146. Ma, BA4MY, will be active as BA4MY/4 from Jiming Island between
July 21-29th. Activity will be on the HF bands, and he will be
an entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th). QSL via BA4EG,
direct, by the Bureau, LoTW or eQSL.

EU-016. Kurt, OM8AA, will be active as 9A/OM8AA from Solta Island
(ACIA IC-656, CIA-51, IOCA CI-126, MIA MC-389) during the
RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th) as a Single-Op/Expedition/
Low-Power entry. QSL via OM8AA.

EU-034. Operators Andres/ES1AN, Harald/ES1LS, Arvo/ES1QV, Toivo/ES2DJ,
Juri/ES2EZ, Nigul/ES2NX and Toivo/ES2RR will be active as ES0U
from Saaremaa Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th)
as a Multi-Op/Multi-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL via ES2DJ, by the
Bureau.

EU-040. Members of the Portuguese DX Group (GPDX) will be active as
CS5DX (ex-CS1GDX) from Bugio Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest
(July 27-28th). Activity will hopefully start on July 25th.
Operators mentioned are Jose/CT1DIZ, Joao/CT1BOP, Luis/CT1EEQ,
Arlindo/CT1EGW, Pedro/CT1EKD, Pedro/CT1ELP, Jose/CT1END,
Miguel/CT1IUA and Luis/CT4NH. Look for the operators to be
active as homecall/P before the contest. QSL CS5DX via the
Bureau or direct (see QRZ.com). For more details and updates,
visit: http://gpdx.blogspot.com

EU-081. Operators Gil/F4FET, Juan/F5IRC, Vincent/F4BKV, Antoine/F5RAB, Marc/F8DRA and Diego/F4HAU will be active as TM0SM from Large Island [St. Marcouf Archipelago] (DIFM MA001, ARLHS FRA055, DPLF PB052, WLOTA 0060 and DFCF 50013) between August 9-11th and August 23-25th. Activity will be on 40-6 meters using CW and SSB. They will focus on working stations outside Europe [see details on QRZ.com]. There will be 5 stations, with 4 on the air with 200-500w using verticals or Yagi antennas. QSL via F5CWU. For more details and updates, watch: http://tm0sm.webs.com

EU-083. Members of the ARI La Spezia, will once again be active as IP1T from Isola del Tino (IFF IFF-218, IIA SP-002, MIA MI-114, ITA ITA-058, WLOTA 0645) during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th) as a Multi-Op/1-Stn/Low-Power entry. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using low power, with antennas: Windom (80-10m) and a vertical 1/4 wave on 40 meters. QSL via IZ5JLF, direct or by the Bureau (preferred).

EU-119. Members of the Russian Robinson Club (RRC) continue to activate various islands and lighthouses to celebrate the RRC's 20th anniversary until September 30th. Look for a group of operators to be active as R20RRC/1 from Morzhovec Island (RR-02-08) between July 24-26th. Operators mentioned are R7AA, RN1ON, UA3EDQ and UA6YW. Activity will be on 40-10 meters using CW, SSB and PSK. QSL R20RRC/1 via RZ3EC. For more details and updates, watch: http://robinsons.ru

EU-144. Members of the A.R.I. Cosenza Radio Club will once again be active as ID8/IQ8CS from Dino Island (IIA CS-002, WW Loc. JM79vu) during the RSGB IOTA Contest (JULY 27-28th) as a Multi-Op entry. Before the contest activity will be on 30/17/12 meters, as well as 6 and 2 meters, using CW and SSB. QSL via IQ8CS, direct or by the Bureau.

EU-146. UBA/WRC members Alfons/ON4AWT and Louis/PA0LCE will be active as PF10C from Schouwen Duiveland Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th) as a Multi-Op entry. QSL via ON4ON.

EU-174. Laci, HA0NAR, will once again be active as SW8LR from Thassos Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th) as a Single-Op/CW-Mode entry. QSL via his home callsign.

NA-034. Lou, W0FK, will once again be active as W0FK/4 from Longboat Key (USI FL-053S, WW Loc. EL87, Sarasota County, Fl) between July 3-7th. Activity will be holiday style on or near the usual island and IOTA frequencies on the HF bands. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

NA-046. Howard, K1VSJ, will once again be active from Martha's Vineyard during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th) as a Single-Op/Mixed-Mode/Unassited/24HRS entry. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

NA-128. Jean-Pierre, VA2SG, will once again be active from Ile-aux-Coudres (CISA QC-009) during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th). Activity will be on 40/20 meters (maybe 80m) QRP. QSL via VA2SG. For more updates, watch: http://va2sg.wordpress.com

OC-130. Maarten, PA3GZU, will once again be active as DU9/PA3GZU from Mindanao Island (WLOTA 2803) between July 13th and August 9th. Activity will be holiday style on 40/20/15/10 meters using SSB and PSK31. QSL via PA3GZU, the Bureau preferred.

OC-139. Members from the Adelaide Hills Amateur Radio Society (AHARS), will be travelling to Kangaroo Island between August 16-20th. They will be active as VK5CWL (Cape Willoughby Lighthouse - ILLW AU-0095) over the International Lighthouse/Lightship Weekend (ILLW) weekend. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and PSK. QSL via VK5PAS, direct, by the Bureau or LoTW or eQSL. For more information, check QRZ.com or the VK5CWL Web site at: http://vk5cwl.weebly.com

OC-176. Sadao, JA1PBV, who was active this past weekend as DU9/JA1PBV from Sarangani Island (OC-175), will now be active as DU8/JA1PBV (or possibly DU8/WK1S) from Tawi Tawi (OC-174) this coming weekend (July 6-7th). Activity will mainly be 20/15 meters CW. QSL via JA1PBV.

OC-276. (NEW ONE!) Members of the "ORDA PAPUA DXPEDITION TEAM" will activate for the first time Mapia Island as YB9Y possibly between October 15-21st. Operators mentioned are Yanuarius/ YB9YZ, Triadi/YB0KVN, Faisal/YB1PR, Pri/YB0ECT, Gjellani/YB1GJS, Wisnu/YB0AZ, Ronny/YB9WR, Jozardy/YD1JZ, Kasmuri/YD1MRI, Danu/ YD1GCL, Terry/YC1KAF, Rizal/YD1ORZ, Suryadi/YB0JS, Yoyon/ YB1CCF, Heri/YB1KAR, Terry/YC1KAF, Ria/YC0KVM, Susana/YD1LUX, Randi/YC0RAN, Syafruddin/YB9SB, Laily/YB0TSU, Edy/YD1XUH, Achmad/YC1CDV, Ujang/YC0LLY and Sadao/WK1S/JA1PBV. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via YB1GJS, direct or by the Bureau. For more details and updates, see: http://yb9y.com

ISWL CALLSIGNS (For July). The following ISWL club callsigns will be used throughout the month of July 2013:

GX4BJC/A - Operated from Great Missenden, in Buckinghamshire, by John, G8XTJ (ISWL Vice President). (WAB Square SP80 - England, IOTA EU-005 and WLOTA LH-1841)

MX1SWL/A - Operated from Walton on the Naze, in Essex, by Herbie, G6XOU (ISWL Council Member + Council Member). (WAB Square SP80 - England, IOTA EU-005 and WLOTA LH-1841).

Herbie will also operate as MX1SWL/P throughout the month. If required, he will give his current WAB Square during the QSO.

ALL QSLs will be handled by Herbie, G6XOU, and NOT the individual operator. The I.S.W.L. is a member of the European PSK Club. All QSL info is on <www.iswl.org.uk> or <www.qrz.com> or via <www.eQSL.cc>. NO LoTW. I.S.W.L. Awards are available to all Hams and SWLs, see <www.iswl.org.uk> for full details. The eQSL.cc cards ARE welcomed for their awards.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (July 1-7th)....
Jul/01st HN-AN Jul/04th AN Jul/06th HN
Jul/02nd AN Jul/05th AN-HN Jul/07th HN-AN
Jul/03rd AN

SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS/INDEXES AND GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE
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NORMALITY GEOMAG K Values Alpha
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AN - Above Normal Quiet K=0-1 0-7
HN - High Normal Unsettled K=2 8-15
LN - Low Normal Active K=3 16-29
BN - Below Normal Minor Storm K=4 30-49
DIS - Disturbed Major Storm K=5 50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed Severe Storm K=6-9 100-400

KH9, WAKE ISLAND (Press Release). Joe, W8GEX, sent out the following press release on June 25th [edited]: "Press Release #4 - Wake Atoll Commemorative DXpedition -- The Wake Atoll Commemorative team's operation is progressing nicely.
Most of the equipment needed for this operation has been received and is being pre-tested prior to shipment to the staging areas. As mentioned in the previous release, the equipment will be pre-staged in California and Hawaii prior to transport to Wake. Staging, pre-testing, packing are essential to assure equipment arriving on-time and safely on Wake.
The two week 'on air' dates are anticipated to start the last week of September or first week of October. This is entirely dependent on the military flight schedule into and out of Wake Atoll and this has yet to be determined. As soon as this is established, we will issue another press release and post it on our website.
Several good options are being considered for our two operating sites which will be announced soon.
Please note! There are a few other DXpeditions which will be on air during the Wake Operation. Our band plan, established in early March and documented on our website <http://wake2013.org/pages/bandplan.html>, will be used during our operation. To avoid the dreaded 'Not in the Log', please be sure which DXpedition you are working! Our operators will announce the K9W often to help identify your contact.
The Team wants to thank the DX Community, including generous worldwide Foundations and Clubs, equipment manufacturers and outlets for their out-standing support of the Wake Commemorative efforts. These DXpeditions are extremely expensive and could not be accomplished without the support of the entire DX Community. Visit the <www.wake2013.org> website to view our Sponsors and make your personal donation. And don't forget to sign our Guestbook! Please check our website often for updates.

73, K9W Wake Atoll Management Team"

OY, FAROE ISLAND. Ulf, DL3UB, will be active as OY/DL3UB from the Faroe Islands between July 29th and August 9th. Activity will be holiday style, preferably on CW and the 30/17/12 meter bands. QSL via this home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

P5, NORTH KOREA (Press Release-Update from the P5 Project Leadership Team): [edited] "P5 Project Team members Paul Ewing/N6PSE and David Flack/AH6HY have just returned from their extensive travels throughout the DPRK. Total distance covered was from Panmunjom at the DMZ in the South to Sonbong in the North, bordering China and Russia. Paul and David are among the first Western travelers to be allowed to enter the DPRK from Namyang and later exiting from Wonjong back into China.
The purpose of the visit was to meet with DPRK Government Representatives in Pyongyang and to survey and assess various potential Dxpedition venues throughout the country. Particular attention was paid to terrain and the availability of reliable power.
We are making further refinements to our proposals for a major Dxpedition. We will continue to communicate with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the Ministry of Posts and Telecommunications to further refine our proposals. Our goals are to provide a much needed P5 contact to the entire amateur radio community world-wide.
We also enjoyed visits to several schools, and we enjoyed the conversations that we had with the school children. We also were able to visit various factories throughout the country. Plans for a 2nd visit to the DPRK are already underway.
We are very pleased at this time to announce our partnership with the Chinese Amateur Radio Community and their involvement in the P5 Project. We have invited Fan Bin/BA1RB to join the P5 Project Leadership Team and to represent the Chinese Radio Amateur Community in our project.
Thank you,
The P5 Project Leadership Team - N6PSE AH6HY YT1AD K3LP WD5COV BA1RB"

Updates can be seen on the following social medias:
https://twitter.com/N6PSE
http://www.intrepid-dx.com/p5
https://www.facebook.com/pages/The-Intrepid-DX-Group/180857615282553

PA1813, THE NETHERLANDS (Special Event). ISWL Member, Fred, PA0FAW, will be running the special event station PA1813A between July 15th and August 13th. Many know about the liberation of Arnhem in 1945, also well-known because of the movie "A Bridge too Far". However, Arnhem was liberated before that from the French in 1813. Operations will be from JO21WX, JO21XX, JO22VA (WFF-PA-005) and JO32AA. Activity for the most part will be on CW, with some SSB and the Digital modes depending on the available time and possibilities. QSL via PA0FAW, direct, by the Bureau or eQSL (No LoTW). SWL reports are welcome.

PACIFIC DXPEDITION TOUR. Gerben, PG5M, informs OPDX that he will be active from two DXCC entities in the Pacific between September 6-19th.

The schedule is as follows:
September 6-7th - Callsign T8GM; Palau Island (OC-009)
September 8-15th - Callsign V6G; Yap Island (OC-012), Fed. States of Micronesia
September 15-19th - Callsign T8GM; Palau Island (OC-009)

This is a solo DXpedition and CW only. Station will be Elecraft K3 and ECO R7+ vertical for 40-10 meters. QSL via his home callsign, by the Bureau or direct. Important: Don't use IRCs as they can't be exchanged at his post office. For updates, watch his Web page and Twitter account at:
http://www.dx.to
http://twitter.com/@PG5M

PY0F, FERNANDO DE NORONHA. Leo, PP1CZ, will once again be active as PY0F/PP1CZ from Fernando de Noronha (SA-003). Activity will be before, during and after the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th) as a Single-Op/ All-Band/Mixed-Mode entry. Operations will be mostly CW. Outside the contest, look for him on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. His equipment is an IC-7000 and/or possibly a Yaesu FL-2100Z into a G5RV and A4S antenna. QSL via his home callsign, direct, LoTW or by the Bureau (very slow).

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (For June 30th)

9A/DK2CH via DK2CH EG5DNC via EA5RKB KP2/AA1BU via AA1BU
9A/IZ3LHX via IZ3LHX EG8SFP via EA8URV OJ0V via ON4CCP
9A/OE5RAL via OE5RAL EI7M via EI6HB OL863CM via OK2UHP
9K2/SP4R via SP7DQR EX9T via EX8MLE ON/MI0TMW via MI0TMW
C91GBA via EA4GBA GB0POS via MM0VUV OZ/DL9ABM/P via DL9ABM
CR5CMD via (B) GM/IZ3ENH via IZ3ENH PJ2/ON6DX via ON6DX
CX7CO via EA5GL HB0/LZ1JZ via N7RO SM/M1KTA via M1KTA
DL/G1INK/P via G1INK HF100PL via SP3YAC SN07EPC via SP1DTG
DR0PALAEON via DK4RSM HF1LATO via SQ1KSM SN0MZH via SP9MZH
ED1R via EC1KR HF3LATO via SP3GVX SV70FF via SV2GWY
ED5N via EA5KA HG5FIRAC via HA5BSW SV8/LZ2HM via LZ2HM
ED5T via EA5ELT HG6V via HA6FQ (d) TK/F1FIH via F1FIH (d)
ED8B via EA8CZT (e) HS0ZKX via W2EN UA0IDZ via RW0IZ
ED8ED via EA8ED IB2PDT via IQ2LZ YU88BPQ via YU7BPQ
EF3URR via EA3URR II3VR via IQ3VO ZD8LP via VP8LP
(e) eQSL only (d) direct only (B) Bureau only (L) LoTW only

TS8TI QSL/eQSL UPDATE. Fred/IK7JWX and Antonello/IK2DUW report that as of June 29th, all QSOs with TS8TI have been confirmed with TS8TI which were received on eQSL, via direct, via by the Bureau or via MDXC. Those who wish to QSL via the Bureau, can now send them all their QSO data via E-mail and it will be answered.

VK9NT QSL STATUS. Allan, VK2CA, reports: "Just received the VK9NT cards from the printer. Now the processing begins. OQRS Direct first, then the Direct. Then OQRS Bureau, then Bureau."

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 4A1TD, C6ATT, HB9BIN, TR8CA, XV4Y and YV5OIE

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3B8CF, 3B8MM, 4A2I, 5M2TT, 5V7TT, CD6713, HA8RM, JH7PKU, JM7OLW, L22D, PT0S, PY2COY, SU8N, SV2ASP/A, TK0INT, TK1INT, TK2INT, VK9CZ, YB8P, ZK3N and ZL7LC

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 5V7C, J28JA, FK8CP, FM5CD, FM/F6ARC, FM/F6AUS, FO/F6CTL/A/M, FT5GA, FT5XP/MM, PJ4C, S79UFT, TJ3FC, TJ9PF, TK5AE, TK5EP, TK5IH, TK5MH, TK/F8DZY, TO4IPA and TO5A

S2, BANGLADESH (Project 2013 by MDXC - Press Release #2). The Mediterraneo DX Club (MDXC) announced on Wednesday, June 26th [edited]: The team for the new adventure is 90% complete, and we are happy to present our Web site <www.mdxc.org/bangladesh2013> is NOW ONLINE. We will be active on 160-6 meters with 6 stations on 24 hours (2 SSB, 2 CW and 2 RTTY). We also present the official logo at:
http://www.mdxc.org/bangladesh2013/wp-content/uploads/2013/06/19-29.png
Please consider supporting us ... 73's Bangladesh 2013 TEAM."
Operators mentioned are Ant/IZ8CCW (Team Leader), Gabriele/I2VGW (Co-Leader), Marco/IZ2GNQ (Low Band Antennas Wizard), Manjur/S21AM (Co-Ordinator Bangladesh Chapter), Adhi/YB3MM, Eric/ON7RN, Michel/F5EOT (HF Antennas Magician), Stefano/IZ5GST, Aminul/S21D, Rabby/S21RC, Henri/F1HRE, Heye/DJ9RR, Fabrizio/IZ2KXC, Norbert/DJ7JC, Pino/I8YGZ, Marco/HB9OCR, Dario/IT9ZZO (Doctor), Ovidiu/YO9XC, Feri/YO5OED, Fabio/IK2LTR, Karl/OE3JAG, Fabio/IK4QJF and Mario/IK4MTK. Pilot stations are Rino/IK7JTF (EU), Don/N1DG (USA), Andre/V51B (AF) and Sergio/IK0FTA (6m). QSL Manager is Giuliano, IK2VUC; direct, by the Bureau or use the OQRS. LoTW files will be uploaded by the end of May 2014.

SA1/SJ1, SWEDEN (Special callsign/IOTA Op). Eric, SM1TDE, will operate as SJ1SOP for the "Sea Of Peace" (SOP) award between July 1-31st. Details about the SOP award: http://www.amateurfunk-mvp.de/inhalte/sopdiple.htm
Activity will be CW only on 160-6 meters. During the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th), Eric will be a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power/Island/Permanent/24H entry and signing as SA1A from Gotland Island (SM1), IOTA EU-020. QSL via SM1TDE, preferably by the Bureau. Visit Eric's Blog page at: http://www.sm1tde.bloggspace.se

TN, REP. OF THE CONGO (TN2MS DXpediton - Offical Press Release) [edited]:
"DXpedition to the Republic of the Congo (Congo Brazzaville) TN2MS,
28 September ☐ 11 October 2013.

In September Arie/PA3A and Ad/PA8AD, and their XYLs Marian/PD1AEG and Angelina/PA8AN, will leave for Congo Brazzavile, Africa, to operate a DXpedition and at the same time carry out a support project for the Health organization Mercy Ships.
The DXpedition team will arrive in Pointe-Noire a week early on 22nd September. There they will carry out a support project on board the hospital ship 'M.V. Africa Mercy'. Starting 28th September the team will go ashore and will start the DXpedition. The Republic of the Congo as DXCC entity will be on the air on all MF/HF bands for almost 2 weeks on RTTY, SSB and CW and on 6m if license and propagation permit. The team will make a serious effort to work as many different stations as possible on

different bands and modes, and pay special attention to the smaller stations. Departure date is set for October 11th.
Another important goal for this DXpedition is to bring the good work of Mercy Ships to the attention of the worldwide amateur radio community so that health care projects in poor countries will get more worldwide support. Special thing is that sponsoring (donations, extra QSL green stamps, etc.) will be donated to the Mercy Ships projects in Congo. This is the 4th Xpedition in cooperation with Mercy Ships after Liberia 2007 (5L2MS), Benin 2009 (TY1MS) and Sierra Leone 2011 (9L5MS). For this the DXpedition team was awarded the prestigious Yasme Foundation Excellence Award 2012 for their sustained support of Mercy Ships through amateur radio.
Mercy Ships programs promote health and well-being by serving the urgent surgical needs of the forgotten poor, and empowering developing communities. For this Mercy Ships uses a seagoing hospital ship, the Africa Mercy. On this hospital ship and on bases ashore more than 400 volunteers use their skills to make a difference. The Africa Mercy holds 6 operation rooms and laboratories and patient rooms for 78 patients. 7000 operations can be performed per year and teams can go ashore to carry out different projects. Starting August 2013 the Africa Mercy will be operating in the African country Republic of the Congo.
For further information about this DXpedition, its objectives and sponsoring, see the following URLs:
TN2MS website: www.TN2MS.nl
Information about the Mercy Ships organization: www.mercyships.org
You can also follow the DXpedition team on Twitter: @DXpedition
73, Arie PA3A - Republic of the Congo DXpedition Team"

UP44, KAZAKHSTAN (Special Event/WFF Op). Members of the "Traveling Radio Amateurs Group☐ (UP44WFF), Mountains Committee of Kazakhstan and Almaty Radio Amateur League will be active as UP4WWF between July 5-7th. Their activity coincides with "Capital Day" [the anniversary of their capital city "Astana" which became capital in 1998] and the birthday of their President Nursultan Nazarbayev of Kazakhstan, on July 6th. Operations will be on 40-10 meters using CW and SSB. Operators Art/UN6QC, Sergey/ UN6GAO, Viktor/UN7GIT, Andrey/UN8GU and Mike/UN8GC will activate the following mountain areas:
July 5th (0400-1800z) ☐ Reference Number WMA/UNM-045; Peak Schkolnik; altitude 3590m.
July 6th (0000-1800z) ☐ Reference Number WMA/UNM-042; Peak Abay; altitude 4010m.
July 7th,(0000-0800z) ☐ Reference WMA/UNM-040; Talgar Pass; altitude 3160m.
All references are in the territory of "Ile-Alatau National Park" (WFF/UNFF-005). QSL via LoTW, by the Bureau, direct and <http://eqsl.kz/>.
More information and QSL info is available at:
(ENG) http://un-dx-news.ucoz.com
http://qrz.com/db/UP44WFF
(RUS) http://www.qrz.kz

V7, MARSHALL ISLANDS (Update). Mike, KJ6MZ (ex-V73/KJ6BBP), is now active as V73MZ from Kwajalein Island (OC-028) for the next few months. He mentions on his QRZ.com page that he is "working six days a week, so only will be getting on the air on Sundays (Kwajalein day)." He will try to check into the ANZA DX Net (at 0515z on 14.183 MHz) on Sundays. This is a directed net! The net control will ask for check-ins, then you have to wait for net control to give you your turn. Mike state, "Please note that I do not schedule QSO via E-mail. Also I do not have any QSO cards made yet, so it will be a while for them to be made as I am here for a while." Look for updates and more details on his QRZ.com page soon. QSL via: Mike Szelazek, P.O. Box 22409, San Diego, CA 92192, USA.

XW, LAOS. Larry, AG6OU, will be active as XW6OU from Laos starting July 1st. It is not known how long he will be there. Activity will be on 20 meters. QSL via direct (see QRZ.com) or E21EIC.

Z6, KOSOVO. Boyan, LZ1BJ, informs OPDX that he just received his Z6/LZ1BJ license and it is valid until June 24th, 2014. He is Pristina and will be active during his spare time on the HF bands using CW, SSB and the Digital modes.

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Help: <mailto:opdx-request@...?subject=help>
Subscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@...?subject=subscribe>
Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@...?subject=unsubscribe>
OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):
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http://www.nodxa.org
http://www.facebook.com/NorthernOhioDxAssociation

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21347. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-07-01 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21347

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:Issued: 2013 Jul 01 1248 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30701
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 01 Jul 2013, 1207UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 01 Jul 2013 until 03 Jul 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Active conditions expected (A>=20 or K=4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 01 Jul 2013 10CM FLUX: 102 / AP: 021
PREDICTIONS FOR 02 Jul 2013 10CM FLUX: 102 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 03 Jul 2013 10CM FLUX: 098 / AP: 007
COMMENT:Solar activity has been rather low in the past 24 hours, with C flares
observed in NOAA ARs 1778 and 1780. The strongest event, a C2.7, took place
in NOAA AR 1780, on June 30, 1517 UT (peak time). C flares are still
possible from this region in the next 48 hours, and we therefore expect
eruptive conditions over that period. A faint wide CME is observed on June
30, around 0400UT, but it seems to be a backside event. We expect unsettled
to active conditions in the next 24 hours, due to the possible arrival of
the CME of June 28, and then quiet conditions for the rest of the period.
Current geomagnetic activity is quiet.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 044, BASED ON 10 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 30 Jun 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 103
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 022
AK WINGST : 014
ESTIMATED AP : 014
ESTIMATED ISN : 053, BASED ON 25 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21348. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-07-02 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21348

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:Issued: 2013 Jul 02 1200 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30702
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 02 Jul 2013, 1107UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 02 Jul 2013 until 04 Jul 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 02 Jul 2013 10CM FLUX: 115 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 03 Jul 2013 10CM FLUX: 119 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 04 Jul 2013 10CM FLUX: 121 / AP: 007
COMMENT:Solar activity has been low in the past 24 hours with a few C flares
observed. The strongest event was a C1.8 flare, taking place in NOAA AR
1785, on July 1st, 1516UT (peak time). We expect C flares in the 48 hours
to occur essentially in AR 1785, raising the flaring forecast level to
eruptive. A wide filament eruption occurred on the east limb, around 1930
UT, on July 1st. It was accompanied by a CME spotted by LASCO and COR
coronagraphs, but with long data gaps. With the current available
information, it is difficult to assess the true extent of the event and if
it poses any risk. Based solely on its location, the risk for geomagnetic
effects appears to be low. A second filament eruption took place on July
2nd, around 0000UT, near the central meridian. Due the data gap in
coronagraph data, it is not known currently if a halo CME is associated
with this event. We expect mostly quiet geomagnetic conditions for the next
48 hours. Current conditions in the interplanetary medium as measured by
ACE are also very quiet.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 076, BASED ON 15 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 01 Jul 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 081
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 108
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : ///
AK WINGST : 010
ESTIMATED AP : 009
ESTIMATED ISN : 048, BASED ON 19 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
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21349. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-07-03 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21349

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:Issued: 2013 Jul 03 1157 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
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# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
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SIDC URSIGRAM 30703
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 03 Jul 2013, 1107UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 03 Jul 2013 until 05 Jul 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Active (M-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 03 Jul 2013 10CM FLUX: 114 / AP: 001
PREDICTIONS FOR 04 Jul 2013 10CM FLUX: 114 / AP: 001
PREDICTIONS FOR 05 Jul 2013 10CM FLUX: 114 / AP: 007
COMMENT:NOAA AR 1785, near the east limb, produced an M-flare this morning
associated with type II and type III bursts. LASCO data are not in yet to
confirm if there was also a CME but in any case the event will not be geo-
effective. Quiet geomagnetic activity is expected in the coming days. A
coronal hole in the northern hemisphere might speed up the solar wind, and
hence geomagnetic activity, towards the end of the week.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 076, BASED ON 08 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 02 Jul 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 115
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 114
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 006
AK WINGST : 004
ESTIMATED AP : 003
ESTIMATED ISN : 074, BASED ON 23 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
03 0700 0708 0718 S11E82 M1.5 SF 58 /////// II/2VI/2
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21350. ARLD027 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-07-03 22:09:17 UTC
From: jjreisert@...
Topic: 5090 Message: 21350

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DX Bulletin 27 ARLD027
>From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT July 3, 2013
To all radio amateurs

SB DX ARL ARLD027
ARLD027 DX news

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by QRZ DX, the OPDX Bulletin, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, DXNL, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

SRI LANKA, 4S7. John, NZ9Z is active as 4S7NZG until July 7. Listen for him around 1200-1800z, typically from 1200-1400z on 15 meters and 1700-1800z on 20 meters. QSL via NZ9Z.

ISRAEL, 4X. Members of the Israel Amateur Radio Club (IARC) will activate 4X19MG in honor of the 19th Maccabiah Games from July 18 to 30. QSL via 4Z1TL.

CYPRUS, 5B. Tony, RT9T will be QRV as 5B4ALB from July 6 to 16. Activity will be on all bands and modes. QSL via RT9T direct only. Tony will also participate in the IARU HF Championships as a member of the P3N team.

RWANDA, 9X. Operators Allan, G3XAQ, Nick, G3RWF and possibly others will be active as 9X0XA and 9X0NH, respectively, during the CQWW DX CW Contest. QSL both call signs via G3SWH.

UKRAINE, UR. Members of the Ukrainian Radioamateur QRP Club are celebrating their 15th anniversary and will activate special call sign EO15QRP from July 12 to August 12. QSL via UT2AB, via the Bureau or direct.

FERNANDO DE NORONHA, PY0F. Leo, PP1CZ will be QRV from July 25 to 30. He will be active as PY0F/PP1CZ and taking part in the RSGB IOTA Contest. Before and after the contest Leo will be on the newer bands, mostly CW and RTTY with some SSB.

ECUADOR, HD. Members of the Quito Radio Club (HC1QRC) will be operating as HD082QRC from July 13 to 23 to celebrate its 82nd

anniversary. Activity will be on 160 to 2 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via HC1JQ direct.

CHINA, BA. Ma, BA4MY will be active as BA4MY/4 from Jiming Island from July 21 to 29. Activity will be on the HF bands. He will also be an entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest. QSL via BA4EG direct, by the Bureau, LoTW or eQSL.

FAROE ISLANDS, OY. Ulf, DL3UB will be QRV as OY/DL3UB from July 29 to August 9. Activity will be holiday style, primarily using CW on 30, 17 and 12 meters. QSL via this home call sign, direct or via the Bureau.

CHILE, CE. A group of operators will be QRV as XR77RG during the month of July to commemorate the 77th anniversary of the Radio Club Rancagua. Activity will be on all bands using SSB and PSK. QSL via CE4RG. In addition, a group of operators will be QRV as XR3PN during the month of July to commemorate the birth of Chilean poet and diplomat Pablo Neruda. Activity will be on all bands using SSB, RTTY and PSK. QSL via CE3OEV.

SWEDEN, SJ. Eric, SM1TDE will operate as SJ1SOP for the "Sea Of Peace" (SOP) award until July 31. Activity will be CW only on 160 to 6 meters. During the RSGB IOTA Contest, Eric will be signing SA1A from Gotland Island (SM1), IOTA EU-020. QSL via SM1TDE, preferably by the Bureau.

KAZAKHSTAN, UP. Members of the "Traveling Radio Amateurs Group" (UP44WFF), Mountains Committee of Kazakhstan and Almaty Radio Amateur League will be active as UP4WWF between July 5 and 7. Operations will be on 40 to 10 meters using CW and SSB.

MARSHALL ISLANDS, V7. Mike, KJ6MZ (ex-V73/KJ6BBP) is active as V73MZ from Kwajalein Island (OC-028) for the next few months. QSL via Mike Szelazek, P.O. Box 22409, San Diego, CA 92192, USA.

LAOS, XW. Larry, AG6OU is active as XW6OU. It is not known how long he will be there. Activity is on 20 meters. QSL direct (see QRZ.com) or via E21EIC.

ST PIERRE AND MIQUELON, FP. Eric, FP/KV1J will be QRV from July 6 to 16, using mostly SSB and RTTY with some CW and PSK31, on 160 to 10 meters. QSL direct or via bureau to his home call, LoTW or eQSL.

HAITI, HH. Tom, HH5/KC0W will be active from the northern tip of Haiti from July 6 to 25, using CW only, on 160 to 6 meters. QSL direct only via KC0W.

ACTIVITY NOT SCHEDULED. The operation from Ghana mentioned in bulletin ARLD026 will not take place. There is no operation scheduled at this time.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The 070 Club Firecracker PSK31 Sprint, Venezuelan Independence Day Contest, DL DX RTTY Contest, DARC 10 Meter Digital Corona and QRP ARCI Summer Homebrew are all on tap for this weekend. The Michigan QRP July 4th Sprint is on July 4. The ARS Spartan Sprint and OK1WC Memorial Contest are on July 9. The CWops Monthly Mini-CWT Test is on July 10. Please see page 80 in the July 2013 issue of QST and the ARRL and WA7BNM Contest web sites for details.
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21351. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-07-04 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21351

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:Issued: 2013 Jul 04 1149 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
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SIDC URSIGRAM 30704
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 04 Jul 2013, 1107UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 04 Jul 2013 until 06 Jul 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Active (M-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 04 Jul 2013 10CM FLUX: 125 / AP: 001
PREDICTIONS FOR 05 Jul 2013 10CM FLUX: 125 / AP: 006
PREDICTIONS FOR 06 Jul 2013 10CM FLUX: 125 / AP: 007
COMMENT:NOAA AR 1785 has increased significantly in size and number of spots. It
has produced non-stop small scale flaring in the core of the active region.
For these reasons, we expect up till M-class flaring in the next 48hr. We
expect quiet geomagnetic conditions in the next 24 hours. The CME of July 1
is expected to miss the Earth and the coronal hole in the northern
hemisphere is not expected to be geoeffective.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 082, BASED ON 12 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 03 Jul 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 123
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 125
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 008
AK WINGST : 005
ESTIMATED AP : 003
ESTIMATED ISN : 073, BASED ON 14 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
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21352. NEW IRC PRICING

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-07-04 19:55:59 UTC
From: GOLIST
Topic: 21352 Message: 21352
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Current IRC's for sale
My client asked me to REDUCE the price of the IRC'S and get them sold.
The New Price is $1.35 each with postage paid to you (USA ONLY).
10 IRC minimum order please

If interested email me for availability. golist@...

John K1XN
The Golist

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RAC Call Book CD
http://shop.golist.net/index.php
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21353. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-07-05 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21353

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:Issued: 2013 Jul 05 1145 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
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SIDC URSIGRAM 30705
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 05 Jul 2013, 1107UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 05 Jul 2013 until 07 Jul 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Active (M-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 05 Jul 2013 10CM FLUX: 139 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 06 Jul 2013 10CM FLUX: 140 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 07 Jul 2013 10CM FLUX: 140 / AP: 007
COMMENT:NOAA AR 1785 and 1787 are still growing in size, number of spots and
complexity. M-class flaring certainly remains possible. Quiet geomagnetic
conditions are expected.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 073, BASED ON 05 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 04 Jul 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 100
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 138
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 010
AK WINGST : 006
ESTIMATED AP : 004
ESTIMATED ISN : 080, BASED ON 17 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
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21354. 425 DX News - #1157

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-07-05 16:34:12 UTC
From: r_brothers
Topic: 21354 Message: 21354

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** DX INFORMATION ****
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3D2 - Stan, LZ1GC will be active as 3D2GC from Viti Levu (OC-016), Fiji on 20-26 September and again on 12-15 October. On 27 September-11 October look for Stan, 3D2GC/p (CW and SSB) and Rocky, 3D2DD/p (SSB) to be active from Rotuma (OC-060). QSL 3D2GC and 3D2GC/p via LZ1GC, direct or bureau; QSL 3D2DD/p direct to 3D2DD. Further information, QSLling instructions and logsearch (after the expedition) can be found at http://3d2gc.com/.
9A - ON2AV, ON4CEZ and ON7JA will be active as 9A/OO7T/p from Brac Island (EU-016) from 24 July to 2 August. QSL via bureau. [TNX rsgbiota.org]
BY - A team of nine operators (BA4WL, BA8IK, BD4WN, BD4WO, BD4WS, BH4RJP, BH4RQU, BH4RWX and BH4RZI) will be active as BA4WL/5 from Liuheng Island (AS-137) on 27-28 July, including a few hours before and after the IOTA Contest. QSL via BD4WO (direct). [TNX BD4WM]
CT8 - CU3EJ, CU8AS, DL2HYH, HB9AHL and HB9CRV (CT3FN) will be active as CR2F from the lighthouse on the Formigas Islets (EU-003), Azores on 30-31 July (dates may vary depending on weather conditions). QSL via HB9CRV (direct or bureau) and LoTW. Further Information at www.to-mk.com/ct3fn/
CT9 - Ricardo CT3KN, Nicola CR9ABE, Jenny CR9ABG and Xavier CS9ABC will be active as CQ9D from the Desertas Islands (AF-046) on 26-29 July, IOTA Contest included. They will run low power into vertical antennas and be QRV on 40-10 metres CW and SSB. QSL via CT3KN (direct) and LoTW.
DL - Francois, ON4LO will be active as DL/ON4LO/p from Fehmarn Island (EU-128) on 14-25 July. He will be QRV on 80-6 metres SSB. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX ON4LO]
DU - Once again Maarten, PA3GZU will be active holiday style as DU9/PA3GZU from Mindanao Island (OC-130) from 13 July to 9 August. QSL via home call, bureau preferred. [TNX rsgbiota.org]
EI - Olivier, ON4EI will be active again as EI8GQB from Fethard, Ireland (EU-115) on 7-31 July using an hybrid wind-solar power system from his caravan. He will participate in the IARU HF World Championship (13-14 July), the CQ WW VHF Contest (20-21 July, on 6 metres) and the IOTA Contest (27-28 July) as EI1A. QSL for both

callsigns via PA3249, direct or bureau. A Live Information Banner
will be available at http://www.qrz.com/db/EI8GQB [TNX ON4EI]
ET - Ken, K4ZW will be back in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia on 12-19 July and
again on the 23rd (for half a day only). He will be active from
the ET3AA HQ station (EARS) during the IARU HF World Championship,
outside the contest he will operate mainly CW and will help the
students "set up for RTTY". QSL via N2OO. [TNX The Daily DX]
F - Gil, F4FET will be active on 20 metres SSB as F4FET/p from
Tombelaine Island (EU-156) on 6 July, from 9 to 13 UTC. On Sunday
7 July (again from 9 to 13 UTC) he will be joined by Diego,
F4HAU/p and they will operate two stations on 15, 17 and 20 metres
SSB, with "some minutes on 40m SSB if needed". They are not
allowed to overnight on the island. QSL for both callsigns via
F4FET. [TNX F4FET]
F - Vincent F4BKV, Gil F4FET, Juan F5IRC and Antoine F5RAB will be
active as TM0SM from St Marcouf (EU-081) on 9-11 August. A second
activity will take place on 23-25 August (operators F4FET, F5IRC,
F5RAB, Diego F4HAU and Marc F8DRA). They plan to be QRV on 40-6
metres SSB and CW with four stations and a focus on working
stations outside Europe. QSL via F5CWU (OQRS on Club Log). Further
information can be found at http://tm0sm.webs.com/
G - The RSGB HQ team will participate in the IARU HF World
Championship (13-14 July) as GR2HQ from different DXCC Entities
within the UK. All GR2HQ QSOs will be uploaded to LoTW a few weeks
after the contest, with the correct DXCC entity shown. These DXCC
entities (G, GJ, GM or GW) will also be clearly shown on the paper
QSL card you receive, along with the IOTA reference (if different
from EU-005). QSL via M0OXO (OQRS at www.m0oxo.com). Information
on the awards for working GR2HQ can be found at www.gr2hq.com.
GM - Ken, G0ORH and David, G3KLH will be active as MM3I from the isle
of Arran (EU-123) on 22-30 July. They will participate in the IOTA
Contest and concentrate on 30, 17 and 12 metres outside the
contest. They also plan some activity on 5 MHz. QSL via G0ORH.
[TNX rsgbiota.org]
H4 - Ralph, H44RK will be active as H44IND to celebrate the 35th
anniversary of the independence of the Solomon Islands. He plans
to be QRV from Nggela Sule, Florida Islands (OC-158) starting on 7
July "for several days". QSL via NR6M. [TNX The Daily DX]
HA - Geza, HA8DD and Zsolt HA8FY will be active as HA8DD/p and HA8FY/p
from six National Parks and Biosphere Reserve Areas on 8-11 July:
Kesznyeteni HAFF-025 (8 July), Zempleni HAFF-047 and Bukki
HAFF-002 (9 July), Borsodi Mezoseg HAFF-014 and Hevesi Fuves
Pusztak HAFF-020 (10 July), Hortobagyi HAFF-006 and Kozep-tiszai
HAFF-027 (11 July). They plan to be QRV with two stations on the
HF bands CW and SSB. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau.
Information on the Hungarian Flora Fauna Award can be found at
http://wff.pannondxc.hu/ [TNX HA0HW]
HC - Special callsign HD082QRC (HD Zero Eight Two QRC) will be
activated on 13-23 July to celebrate the 82nd anniversary of the
Quito Radio Club (HC1QRC). Expect activity on all bands CW, SSB

and RTTY. QSL via HC1JQ (direct). [TNX NE8Z]
I - Representing the Associazione Radioamatori Italiani (ARI), the following stations will participate in the IARU HF World Championship: IO1HQ (20 SSB, 40 CW and 80 CW), IO4HQ (40 SSB, 80 SSB, 160 CW and SSB), IO5HQ (20 CW), IO8HQ (15 SSB), IO9HQ (10 CW and SSB, 15 CW).
I - Noel, ON4APU will participate in the IOTA Contest as IA5/OO4O from Isola d'Elba (EU-028). QSL via the Belgian QSL bureau and LoTW. [TNX ON4APU]
I - A team from ARI Cosenza will participate in the IOTA Contest as ID8/IQ8CS from Dino Island (EU-144). Before the contest they will be QRV on 30, 17, 12, 6 and 2 metres CW and SSB. QSL via IQ8CS, direct or bureau. [TNX IZ8EQF]
KL - The logsearch for Rick's recent activity from Sarichef Island (NA-152) can be found at www.k6vva.com/iota/logsearch/index.php. As for his North Slope IOTA Tour [425DXN 1151], the propagation forecast does not look promising at all: both NA-172 and NA-004 "will unfortunately NOT happen this year", and the new plan for 2014 will involve "a lot of costly logistical matters to be rescheduled".
However, Mike is till making an attempt at operating from Barter Island (NA-050) on 8-10 July. He plans to leave on 6 July, "but be advised there could be 'fog' delays reaching NA-050". Look for K6VVA/KL7 to operate mainly CW on 40, 30, 20 and 17 metres. QSL via N6AWD, direct or bureau. Check http://www.k6vva.com/iota/na050/ for further information and http://www.twitter.com/k6vva for updates. [TNX K6VVA]
KL - David, K0DCH expects to be active from Mitkof Island (NA-041) on 12-16 July. QSL via home call (direct). [TNX rsgbiota.org]
OX - Look for N2IEN, W2RE and WW2DX to be active as OX/N2IEN, OX/W2RE and OX/WW2DX (or under an OX callsign that might be issued to them) from near Narsarsuaq, Greenland (WWL GP70dx, IOTA NA-018) on 11-15 July. They will operate SSB and CW on 40-6 metres, and will participate in the IARU HF Championship. QSL via home calls and LoTW. [TNX NG3K]
PA - Fred, PA0FAW will be running special event station PA1813A from 15 July to 13 August to commemorate the liberation of the city of Arnhem back in 1813 during the Napoleonic Wars. He will operate mainly CW, with some SSB and digital modes. QSL via PA0FAW, direct or bureau. [TNX VA3RJ]
PY - PP5BZ, PP5MCB, PP5ZB, PU5AGM, PU5ATX, PU5DCB and PY3OZ will be active as PQ5M on 40-10 metres CW, SSB and RTTY from Sao Francisco do Sul (SA-027) on 26-28 July, with an emphasis in the IOTA Contest. QSL via PP5BZ. [TNX The Daily DX]
PY0F - Leo, PP1CZ will be active as PY0F/PP1CZ from Fernando de Noronha (SA-003) on 25-30 July, including participation in the IOTA Contest (mainly CW). Outside the contest he will concentrate on 30, 17 and 12 metres (mainly CW and RTTY with some SSB). He will also give 160m a try. QSL via home call, direct or bureau, and LoTW. [TNX PP1CZ]

SM - Kjell, SM4DDS will be active as 7S5A from Boko Island (EU-177) on 15-21 July. He will be QRV on 80-10 metres CW and SSB. He may also operate as 7S5A/p for the Swedish Flora Fauna Award (SMFF-0316) while on the island. QSL via home call, direct or bureau, and LoTW. [TNX SM4DDS]
SP - Special event station SN150PS will be active on all bands and modes between 8 July to 30 September to commemorate the 150th anniversary of the Powstanie Styczniowe, the January Uprising of 1863 against th Russian Empire. QSL via bureau to SP5KOG. [TNX SP5CGN]
SV - Pista, HA8UT and his family (wife Erzsi HA8TU, daughters Liza HA8TT and Andi HG8SS, son-in-law Dezso HA8SS) will be active as SW2UT from Neo Pori on 16-26 July. Look for holiday style activity on 80-6 metres CW, with some SSB and RTTY. QSL via HA8UT, direct or bureau. [TNX HA0HW]
SV - Nick, SV1CEI will be active holiday style as SV8/SV1CEI from Kea Island (EU-067) for about two weeks starting on 6 July. He will operate mainly CW on the HF bands and possibly on 6 metres. QSL via home call. [TNX DX Coffee]
TN - Arie PA3A, Ad PA8AD, Angelina PA8AN and Marian PD1AEG will be active as TN2MS (callsign changed from TN5MS)from Pointe Noire, Republic of the Congo from 28 September to 11 October [425DXN 1153]. They plan to operate on 160-10 metres (plus 6 metres, if they are authorized) CW, SSB and RTTY, using three stations with amplifers and several beam and vertical antennas. The team will provide support and raise funds for a Mercy Ships Charity Project. This is the 4th DXpedition in cooperation with Mercy Ships (www.mercyships.org) after Liberia 2007 (5L2MS), Benin 2009 (TY1MS) and Sierra Leone 2011 (9L5MS). QSL via PA3AWW, direct (OQRS in the expedition's website) or bureau, plus LoTW after six months. Further information on the project can be found at www.tn2ms.nl [TNX PA3A]
UA - According to the updated schedule on http://robinsons.ru, planned expeditions under the Russian Robinson Club's 20th anniversary special callsign now include:
5-6 July R20RRC/3 Lesin Island (not IOTA)
7 July R20RRC/3 Kiriki Island (not IOTA)
8-12 July R20RRC/0 Sakhalin Island (AS-018)
24-26 July R20RRC/1 Morzhovets Island (EU-119)
27-28 July R20RRC/1 Glov Island (EU-162)
9-14 August R20RRC/8 Zhuravlinyy Island (AS-109)
R20RRC/1 from EU-162 will participate in the IOTA Contest. QSL via RZ3EC.
UA - Vladimir, UA0LCZ will be active as RI0NZ from Popov Island (AS-066) on 22-29 July. He will operate CW on 80-10 metres (+/- 3507, 7007, 10107, 14017, 18077, 21017, 24897 and 28017 kHz), and will participate in the IOTA Contest. QSL via UA0LCZ, direct or bureau. [TNX UA0LCZ]
UR - The club station of the Ukrainian State Centre of Radio Frequencies will be active as EM0ITU on 8-13 July during the ITU

Workshop on spectrum monitoring. QSL via UT3UZ. [TNX UT3UZ]
UR - Special callsign EO15QRP will be used from 12 July to 12 August by the Ukrainian Radioamateur QRP Club to celebrate its 15th anniversary. QSL via UT2AB, direct or bureau. [TNX UT2AB]
VE - Klaus, VE7KDU and Frank, VE7DP will make another attempt at operating from the Estevan Islands (NA-181) some time between 11 and 15 July. The operation will take place from Barnard Island, which is located about 130 Km west/south-west of the nearest accessible town . "Reaching our destination will depend on local weather and sea conditions", Frank says. The plan is for a minimum 48-hour operation, with activity on 30-15 metres CW and SSB. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. A brief activity (less than 24 hours) from one of the qualifying islands in the NA-061 group, immediately before or after NA-181 is also a possibility. [TNX VE7DP]
VK - Craig, VK5CE will be active as VK5CE/p (http://oc261.blogspot.com) from Flinders Island (OC-261) on 15-21 August. This IOTA group was activated only once back in 2003. Craig will be able to be QRV on 10-80 metres, with a focus on 15, 20 and 40 metres SSB. He will be running 400 watts into a vertical set up right on the beach at the high tide mark. QSL via home call. All donations will be used to fund the October expedition to Red Island (see below).
VK - Eight operators from the Adelaide Hills Amateur Radio Society (namely VK5AJQ, VK5AKH, VK5ATW, VK5BUG, VK5FJOE, VK5KC, VK5NRG and VK5PAS) will be active as VK5CWL from the lighthouse at Cape Willoughby on Kangaroo Island (OC-139) on 16-19 August. They will operate SSB, CW and PSK on 10, 15, 20, 40 and 80 metres. QSL via VK5PAS, direct or bureau, plus LoTW and eQSL. Further information can be found at http://vk5cwl.weebly.com [TNX VK5PAS]
VK - Craig, VK5C E will be active as VK5CE/4 from Red Island (OC-255) (http://oc255.blogspot.com.au/) on 16-21 October. This IOTA group was activated only once back in 2002. The island is uninhabited; Craig will have to take two flights (4400 km) to reach Bamaga, where he will have "a local 4WD and fishing boat operator act as my DXpedition support person. He will pick me up from the Bamaga air strip, take me to the island, help me set up the tent and antenna and every couple of days he'll visit the island with fuel and water and just to make sure I'm safe". The cost of the DXpedition will be high, "and so the support of sponsors is really appreciated".
W - Scott, NE1RD will be active as NE1RD/1 from Lovells Island (NA-148) starting at 16 UTC on 7 July for 24 hours. QSL via home call, direct or bureau, LoTW and eQSL. Logsearch on Club Log. [TNX The Daily DX]
YB - Budi, YF1AR will be active as YF1AR/3 from Sembilangan Lighthouse on Madura Island (OC-237) on 25-29 July, including an entry in the IOTA Contest. Further information at http://www.yf1ar.com/. Logserach on Club Log and QSL via N2OO. [TNX YF1AR]
YB - Adhi, YB3MM will be active as YB3MM/7 from Derawan Island (OC-166) on 26-28 July, IOTA Contest included. Logsearch on Club Log. See qrz.com for QSLling options. [TNX YB3MM]

ZF - Harry, AA2WN will be active holiday style as ZF2WN from the Cayman Islands (NA-016) on 13-20 July. He will operate mostly on 17 and 20 metres CW, SSB and possibly some digital modes. QSL via AA2WN and LoTW. [TNX The Daily DX]

PACIFIC TOUR ---> Gerben, PG5M (http://www.dx.to/) will be active as T8GM from Koror (OC-009), Palau on 6-7 and 15-19 September, and as V6G from Yap (OC-012), Micronesia on 8-15 September. He will operate CW only on 40-10 metres. QSL via home call, direct (do not use IRCs, as he cannot redeem them at his post office) or bureau. [TNX PG5M]

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425 DX NEWS MAGAZINE ---> The June 2013 issue is now available for download at www.425dxn.org/monthly/index.html. [TNX IZ3EBA]

AGB AWARD PROGRAMME ---> Detailed information on the wide range of awards (colourful certificates and throphies) sponsored by the Activity Group of Belarus can be found at http://ev5agb.com/award/awards_e.htm [TNX EU1EU]

KOSOVO ---> Boyan, LZ1BJ is currently active as Z6/LZ1BJ from Pristina (Kosovo) until 24 June 2014. He is QRV in his spare time on the HF bands usign CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL via the LZ bureau. [TNX LZ1BJ]

LAGUNARIA DX GROUP ---> The intention of the newly born group "is not to support other DXpeditions rather than to carry out its own ones. Besides having fun and going on DXpeditions as the main goals, the Lagunaria DX Group also supports international understanding, shares technical ideas with others and makes use of high and bullet-proof technical standards. The group members (DJ5IW, DJ7EO, DJ9RR, DL1MGB, DL3DXX, DL5CW, DL5LYM, DL6FBL, DL8OH, DL8WPX and SP5XVY) are not only all known from a lot of DXpeditions in the past, but also passionated contesters of the Bavarian Contest Club (BCC)". Please have a look at http://lagunaria-dx-group.org/ to learn more about the group, its history and their DXpeditions. [TNX DL1MGB]

P5 PROJECT ---> P5 Project Team members Paul Ewing (N6PSE) and David Flack (AH6HY) have returned from their extensive travels throughout the DPRK. The purpose of the visit was to meet with Government Representatives in Pyongyang and to survey and assess various potential DXpedition venues throughout the country. "We will continue to communicate with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the Ministry of Posts and Telecommunications to further refine our proposals", and plans for a second visit are already underway. They also have invited Fan Bin (BA1RB) to join the P5 Project Leadership Team. Read the complete release, dated 29 June, at http://www.intrepid-dx.com/p5/news.php. [TNX N6PSE]

QSL ET3AA ---> Bob, N2OO For the time being Bob, N2OO has logs and QSL cards for QSOs made with ET3AA during the following time frames:
4 August 2011 (15.00-15.40 UTC)
from 8 December 2011 (12.29 UTC) to 13 December 2011 (16.13 UTC)
from 30 October 2012 (06.57 UTC) to 7 November 2012 (09.10 UTC)
from 8 November 2012 (1229 UTC) to current.
He can also confirm contacts made with ET3SID from 8 December 2011 (21.08 UTC) to 13 December 2011 (05.08 UTC) only.
Bob's OQRS is at http://df3cb.com/oqrs/n2oo/

RSGB IOTA'S 50TH ANNIVERSARY CONVENTION ---> The RSGB IOTA Committee is currently looking at the possibility of holding the celebration of IOTA's 50th Anniversary at Beaumont House, Windsor over the weekend of 4-6 July 2014. "What we need are serious expressions of interest in attending, not firm commitments at this stage", RSGB IOTA Manager Roger Balister, G3KMA says. "We have set target figures for certain dates rolling forward. If we reach these, the event will go ahead. If not, the event will not proceed". Give a look at the leaflet that can be found at http://dx-world.net/2013/iota-convention-2014/ and please let G3KMA know (g3kma[@]dsl.pipex.com) if you are interested in attending the convention.

QSL GB4RS ---> The call GB4RS is used by the President of the Radio Society of Great Britain during his period in office. For QSOs between 1 July to 31 December 2013, QSL direct to G3PJT (IRCs not accepted) or request your bureau card by sending an email to g3pjt[@]btinternet.com

QSL GALLERY ---> The large collection of QSL cards on Les Nouvelles DX's web site has been updated. Fifteen different galleries include 11,166 cards for the ten Most Wanted DXCC Entities (2004-12), the 61 deleted DXCC Entities, obsolete prefixes, stations from Maghreb from 1945 to 1962, Allied Forces stations in Germany (1946-69), special stations commemorating ITU and IARU, Antarctic bases & TAAF (Terres Australes and Antarctiques Francaises), the various French DXCC island Entities in the Pacific Ocean, the Indian Ocean and the Americas (from 1945 to 1970), pre-1945 countries, French Departments and CONUS, plus a gallery for cards not accepted by DXCC. Your participation is encouraged - please visit www.LesNouvellesdx.fr [TNX F6AJA]

QSL VIA W2FB ---> Those who still need a card for the October 2011 operation by YB9WZJ/p and YB0MWM/9 from Doom Island (OC-239) can send their request to Steve, W2FB, who has recovered the logs and has some blank QSL cards. [TNX W2FB]

W4DXCC ---> Sponsored by the SouthEastern DX and Contesting Organization, Inc. (SEDCO), the 9th W4DXCC DX and Contest Convention will be held at the MainStay Suites Conference Center in Pigeon Forge, Tennessee on 27-28 September. Complete details can be found at www.w4dxcc.com [TNX K4SV]

+ SILENT KEYS + Recently reported Silent Keys include Albert Decastille (5T5DA), Wayne Smith (VO1WET/VO1TA) and Ivan I. Udovin (EX2A, formerly UM8MBA and UM2M), chairman of the Amateur Radio Union of Kyrgyzstan and the first in is Country to obtain 5BDXCC.

QSLs received direct or through managers: 3B8CF, 3B8MM, 3D2C, 3D2RX, 3D2SE, 3D2XC, 4A2I, 4J0LH, 4O7ML, 5M2TT, 5U5U, 5U9AMO, 5V7TT, 5W0M, 6D0LM, 6V7V, 6W/PB2T, 6Y6T, 7O6T, 7P8ZM, 9G5AA, A35UD, AA4VK/CY0, C21UF, C31CT, C98RF (AF-072), CD6713 (SA-018), CE8DMT (SA-050), CM6RCR, CR1X, CR2X, D2EB, DU1/R6AF/p (OC-090), DU3/N0QM, FO8WBB, FR5FC, FY4PR, GJ0JSY, H40T, H44G, HK1/DK7PE, HP1/S54ZZ, J5NAR, J6/N7QT, J79WTA, J8/W6HGF, JT1AA/3, JT1CO, JW7XM, K6VVA/KL7 (NA-152), KH2/N2NL, L22D (SA-022), OH0/OF3I, OH0I, OJ0X, P40YL, PB13ROYAL, PJ7/PB2T, PT0S, PW0F, PZ5T, RI0K (AS-061), RI0K/p (AS-092), SU8N (AF-109), SV2ASP/A, SX5KL, TJ3AY, TK0INT (EU-100), TK1INT (EU-104), TK2INT (EU-164), TK5EP, TS8TI (AF-083), V63JX, V6A, V73PX, VK9/OG1M, VK9/OH1VR, VK9CZ, VP2EAG, VP2EAR, VP5/W5CW, VR2XMT, VU2PAI, VY0/VE3VID (NA-174), WL7E, XT2TT, XU1A, XU7NPC, XX9THX, YB8P (OC-208), YB8XM/p (OC-271), YE90PK, YN2N, Z6/SP5CJQ, Z61DX, ZA/LZ2HM, ZD7FT, ZD7VC, ZK3N, ZK3T, ZL7LC.

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21355. 425 DX Calendar - #1157

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This week solar activity fell and then rose again, with average daily sunspot numbers down 23.6 points to 86.1. Average daily solar flux fell from 122 to 107.2. The solar flux on Thursday, July 4 rose to 137.7, the highest since May 16, fifty days earlier.

There was an active geomagnetic day on Saturday, June 29 when planetary A index was 51, high latitude college A index was 73, and mid-latitude A index was 40.

The high geomagnetic activity actually occurred on Friday night on the West Coast, with a planetary A index of 6 at 0300 UTC (Saturday UTC time) and 7 at 0600 UTC. My friend Diana Sorus has been asking me when to go out to see aurora, and I've told her to go to a dark place and look north when the K index is high.

I suggested watching http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/ftpdir/indices/DGD.txt and the daily predictions at http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/ftpmenu/forecasts/45DF.html and to hope for clear skies. The usual problem in the Puget Sound basin of the Pacific Northwest is we have so many overcast days, the chances of seeing aurora are limited. You need just the right combination of high K index (5 or 6 or more), dark skies, and clear weather. Diana wanted to be sure to catch the next one, so she subscribed to a service from spaceweather.com which calls or texts her whenever the K index reaches some threshold designated by her.

Last Friday evening she got that call, but unfortunately was too tired from working that day to venture out of the city to watch for aurora. This is unfortunate, because aurora was visible that night in many places, including areas far south of us (aurora is more intense the further away you are from the equator). Skies here have been clear for days, and we had a heat wave over the weekend. I don't know when she will get that chance again. Could be next week, next month or next solar cycle. I wasn't watching conditions

closely enough to go out and observe for myself.

As you can see at
http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/ftpdir/indices/oldindices/2013Q2DGD.txt,
http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/ftpdir/indices/oldindices/2013Q1DGD.txt,
http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/ftpdir/indices/oldindices/2012DGD.txt and
http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/ftpdir/indices/oldindices/2011DGD.txt the
right combination is rare.

Back on March 1, 2011 the numbers look high enough, but locally the peak activity was during daylight. March 11, 2011 also had a peak at daylight, although the evening hours may have been good also, but March in Seattle tends to be overcast. I tried to find weather records online that would tell me the sky conditions, clear or overcast, but it seems I found everything but that. I did find visibility, which is typically 8-10 miles. An alternative for us is to hop on Interstate 90 and head east 100 miles over the Cascade mountain range to Eastern Washington, where skies are often clear.

The latest prediction (Thursday, July 4) has solar flux relatively high for the next few days, at 140 on July 5 and 6, 135 on July 7, 140 on July 8 to 10, then 135, 130 and 120 on July 11 to 13, 125 on July 14 to 16, 130 on July 17 to 19, then 120 and 115 on July 20 and 21, and 110 on July 22 and 23. The forecast shows solar flux reaching a minimum of 100 on July 26 and 27, then another minimum at 95 on August 2, and another peak at 130 on August 13 to 14.

Predicted planetary A index is 20 on July 5, 15 on July 6, 8 on July 7, 5 on July 8 to 16, followed by 10 on July 17, 15 on July 18 to 20, 18 on July 21, and 5 on July 22 to 26. The geomagnetic indices then show active conditions for the following six days.

OK1HH tells us he predicts geomagnetic conditions as mostly quiet on July 5, quiet to active July 6, quiet to unsettled, July 7, quiet July 8 to 15, mostly quiet July 16 and 17, quiet to active July 18 and 19, active to disturbed July 20, quiet to active July 21, mostly quiet July 22, quiet July 23 and 24, quiet to unsettled July 25, and quiet to active July 26 and 27.

At the beginning of the new month, it is now time to look at our 3-month moving average of daily sunspot numbers. The average for the three months centered on May, 2013 (April 1 through June 30) was 106.4, the same as the 3 month average centered on April, 2013 (March 1 through May 31). Actually the two averages were not exactly the same, with the latest 3 months lower by .028. The early period had a sum of 9,792 divided by 92 days, and the latest total was 9,683 divided by 91 days. The daily sunspot number average for June was just 80.2, a drop from 125.6 in May.

The progression of our moving 3 month average for the past year, centered on June 2012 through May 2013 was 96.5, 91.9, 89.9, 81.2, 82.3, 74.4, 82.8, 73.6, 80.7, 85.2, 106.4 and 106.4.

Some radio amateurs have said that perhaps this will be a double-peak solar cycle, like the last one. We don't know what the rest of the year will bring, but the most recent NASA prediction said the peak of the current cycle would likely be in the summer of 2013, which is now. Remember that exciting period of relatively high activity (at least for this weak solar cycle) in fall 2011? Our 3-month moving averaged peaked in October and November 2011, at 118.8 and 118.6. Now we get two months in a row with 3-month averages higher than any period since the end of 2011, at 106.4 and 106.4. I hope this isn't as high as it goes.

As we've noted during peaks of the previous solar cycles 22 and 23, because the determination of the peak is actually seen using a 12-month moving average, we don't really know when the peak was until well afterward, perhaps a couple of years out. The long moving average is used to determine the official peak because there is so much day-to-day and month to month variation in sunspot numbers.

An interesting inquiry arrived from Don Prahl, CP4DR/KV7Q:

"I am living in southwestern Bolivia (FG68) high in the Andes Mountains with a station elevation at 4,000 meters (13,000 ft.) I have a very modest station running 100 watts to a vertical on the roof for HF and a roof mounted dipole for 6 meters. The broad side of the dipole is looking north. When I am rag chewing I tell folks I have a very modest station but a tower that is almost 2 1/2 miles high! While kidding about the elevation of my antenna above sea level is fun, it makes me wonder if a station closer to the ionized layer actually presents any advantage.

I have read a lot of articles regarding the advantages of tower height above ground as it pertains to angle of radiation but I have never found any information looking at it just a bit differently. The question would be, with all things being equal (antenna, power output, ionized layer altitude, etc.) would a transmitting signal at 13,000 feet above sea level achieve a longer single path hop than the same station at sea level? If there is an advantage, it would be interesting to see what the ratio of height above sea level to the gain at the receiving end is. Hey, it is tough to breath at this altitude so I need any advantage I can get!

I know that Bolivia is a much needed prize on six meters so I am patiently waiting for that perfect set of conditions so I can confirm CP land to those who are looking. As such, I am really thinking about 50 MHZ. when I pose this question to you."

Thanks, Don. Sounds like a great location. The only advantage I can think of is that the horizon is more likely to be further away, so lower angles of radiation should be practical. I will cc this to K9LA to see what he thinks. If you are looking down on everything to the north, it seems like it would be great for communicating with North America on VHF.

As always, K9LA gave an excellent and instructive response:

"Go to http://k9la.us. Click on the 'Basic Concepts' link on the left. Then select the article titled The M-Factor.

What you'll see is how the hop distance and the M-Factor (M-Factor = MUF / critical frequency) change versus vertical distance to the ionosphere. This isn't exactly your situation - your situation is with but one end at a different height. But we can use my work to see how much an effect this is.

The difference in hop distance and M-Factor is as follows.

If propagation is via a 5 degree elevation angle to the F2 region at 300 km

Normal hop = 2878 km, M-Factor = 3.25

2.5 miles closer hop = 2855 km, M-Factor = 3.26

If propagation is via a 5 degree elevation angle to the E region at 110 km

Normal hop = 1487 km, M-Factor = 4.94

2.5 miles closer hop = 1448 km, M-Factor = 5.01

The hop length decreases when you are closer to the ionosphere because the wave encounters the ionosphere closer to you. But the M-Factor increases when you are closer because the angle of incidence on the ionosphere is smaller. The effect of being a bit closer to the ionosphere is greatest for the E region.

In summary, the effect of being 2.5 miles closer is certainly there - but it is a pretty small effect. Whether it could be discerned in the real world is questionable."

Thanks, Carl!

Jon Jones, N0JK wrote on June 28: "Caught a somewhat unusual opening to the Pacific Northwest June 26 on 6 meters from Lawrence, Kansas EM28. I worked N7NW CN87 (Fox Island, Washington), W7EW CN84 (Salem, Oregon) and W7SX CN84 (Elmira, Oregon) around 0335 UTC. N7NW was probably the loudest of the three."

"This is unusual due to the distance from EM28 to the CN80 grids. It is about 2,500 km. (about 1500 miles). It is a tough distance as it is between the maximum limit for one hop Es (2,300 km) and shorter than the usual range for double hop Es at 3,600-4,400 km. Thus the Pacific Northwest stations are rare on 6 meter Es here in Eastern Kansas. Stations further west like N0LL EM09 (North-Central Kansas) and K0BJ DM99 (Northwest Kansas) work it much more frequently as they are in the usual one Es hop zone. There is a discussion of this here:

http://www.uksmg.org/content/doughnut.htm "

Later the same day, Jon wrote: "Some aurora this evening, the first I have worked since fall of 2011. On 6 meters I heard WI9WI, AA9A, KC0CF, WB0RMO/b, a EN26 station on SSB, and K9WKW via Aurora from Lawrence, KS from 0030-0130 UTC June 29."

"I worked WA9LFO EN54 (who answered my CQ) on 50.098 MHz at 0107 UTC. I was portable with 100 watts and a 2 element Yagi from a nice hill top west of Lawrence overlooking the Kansas River valley to the north."

"This aurora was not 'predicted.' It seemed to occur when the Bz went way south the afternoon of the 28th."

And this week, six meter newcomer Howard Lester, N7SO of Schuylerville, New York (FN33) wrote:

"HEY! It was my first ever 6 meter opening. I made a whole bunch of contacts from 2330-0100 to as far west as Missouri, and as far south as Florida.

On DX Watch at around 2310 Thursday night, July 3 I noticed that a few contacts were being made on 6 meters, so I decided to listen. A newcomer to 6 with my loop antenna at 15 feet, I heard some signals coming through, starting with a W4. Since I have only the little loop for an antenna, and not very high, I didn't expect much for myself. At first, my expectations were confirmed, but in a few minutes I made contact with my first ever 'DX' on 6 with two fellows in Knoxville, Tennessee, and got a good report from both. Over the course of the next two hours I worked twelve stations in nine states on both phone and CW, as far west as Des Moines, Iowa, southeast to Knoxville, and south to north Florida - all with good reports. Granted, some or most of the stations I worked have more sizeable antennas, though one was a mobile in northern Illinois, who I worked on July 4 at 0115. He was my final contact for the night.

There seemed to be no pattern, no shifting around of the available propagation; it just 'opened up.' I could hear Southern stations working up into Ontario and Quebec, and I didn't notice them working anyone to their west. Overall, I sure had a lot of fun."

And finally, regarding my report last week of my casual Field Day operation as 1C class mobile, it probably didn't meet the requirements for 1C class. I was able to drive around the cemetery dragging the counterpoise wires, but the screwdriver antenna hanging out the rear passenger window seems a bit much, so it would probably be classed as a portable operation.

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service at http://arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals. For an explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin, see

http://arrl.org/the-sun-the-earth-the-ionosphere. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at http://arrl.org/w1aw-bulletins-archive-propagation. More good information and tutorials on propagation are at http://k9la.us/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://arrl.org/propagation.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of ARRL bulletins are at http://arrl.org/bulletins.

Sunspot numbers for June 27 through July 3 were 71, 83, 67, 85, 102, 101, and 94, with a mean of 86.1. 10.7 cm flux was 99.5, 101, 100.2, 102.8, 107.8, 114.3, and 124.5, with a mean of 107.2. Estimated planetary A indices were 8, 22, 51, 11, 8, 4, and 4, with a mean of 15.4. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 8, 20, 40, 11, 10, 5, and 4, with a mean of 14.
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21357. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-07-06 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21357

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:Issued: 2013 Jul 06 1132 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30706
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 06 Jul 2013, 1107UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 06 Jul 2013 until 08 Jul 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Active (M-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Active conditions expected (A>=20 or K=4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 06 Jul 2013 10CM FLUX: 142 / AP: 023
PREDICTIONS FOR 07 Jul 2013 10CM FLUX: 142 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 08 Jul 2013 10CM FLUX: 142 / AP: 007
COMMENT:NOAA AR 1785 and 1787 seem to have reached their peak size but M-class
flares remain likely in the next 24h. The z-component of the interplanetary
magnetic field is at -10 nT since yesterday evening. No shock was seen in
the solar wind speed, which remains slow at 350 km/s. Nevertheless active
geomagnetic conditions can be expected in the coming hours.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 080, BASED ON 14 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 05 Jul 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 141
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 023
AK WINGST : 014
ESTIMATED AP : 012
ESTIMATED ISN : 070, BASED ON 14 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21358. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-07-07 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21358

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:Issued: 2013 Jul 07 1025 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30707
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 07 Jul 2013, 1007UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 07 Jul 2013 until 09 Jul 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Active (M-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 07 Jul 2013 10CM FLUX: 131 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 08 Jul 2013 10CM FLUX: 129 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 09 Jul 2013 10CM FLUX: 127 / AP: 007
COMMENT:NOAA AR 1785 and 1787 have further reduced in size and number of spots but
remain capable of an M-class flare. The z-component of the interplanetary
magnetic field has returned to a northward orientation and the solar wind
speed is further reducing (now <350 km/s). The active geomagnetic
conditions of the past 24 hrs, that were presumable caused by the halo CME
leaving the Sun on July 1, 19h, will therefore come to an end. Quiet
geomagnetic conditions are expected.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 102, BASED ON 10 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 06 Jul 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 134
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 034
AK WINGST : 024
ESTIMATED AP : 028
ESTIMATED ISN : 080, BASED ON 18 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21359. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1119

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-07-07 18:00:00 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 21359 Message: 21359

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*** SPECIAL NOTE FROM EDITOR (By KB8NW): It is highly unlikely that there will be a bulletin next week due to personal and family commitments. However, this does not include special announcements or bulletins, but please keep sending your DX information. You never no what I may do...
73 de Tedd KB8NW

DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 30th-June, through Sunday, 7th-July there were 214 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3B9, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5R, 5T, 5W, 5Z, 6Y, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9V, 9Y, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, BV, BY, C3, C6, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, F, FG, FH, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FS, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HZ, I, IS, J3, J6, J7, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JX, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OJ0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ5, PJ7, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S2, S5, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV/a, SV5, SV9, T7, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TR, TT, TU, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V4, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VP2E, VP2V, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XW, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD8, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS, ZS8

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work

First Worry Later" (WFWL).

2M, SCOTLAND (Satellite/Low Band Op). Paul, 2E1EUB, will once again be active as 2M1EUB for 14 days beginning August 5th. He will be driving around Scotland for anyone looking for new grids or grids they have not worked yet. Activity will be on 160m, 80m, and the satellites (mostly AO-7 B/A mode), as well as 2m SSB. He does accept E-mails and will arrange skeds to work him at <2e1eub@amsat.org>. Check out QRZ.com under 2M1EUB for more info and updates.

60M ANNIVERSARY (Can You Believe It?). It was brought to our attention by the "60m News" that July 4th, is the 10th anniversary of 60 meters becoming available to U.S amateurs. {ed. Boy does time fly!}

6V, SENEGAL (Reminder). Vladimir "Vlad", RK4FF, will once again be active as 6V7S from Le Calao in Ngaparou between July 10-16th. Activity will probably be on 80/40/20/15/10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. He is scheduled to be here one more time this year: October 22nd-November 27th. QSL via RK4FF. Log is available on ClubLog. Check out QRZ.com for some pictures.

9H, MALTA. Nakanishi, JJ2NYT, will be active as 9H1N from Malta between August 2-5th. Activity will be holiday style on 40-10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via his home callsign.

AT20, INDIA (Special Event). Arasu, VU2UR, will be active as AT20RRC from Bangalore during the month of July. Activity is to celebrate 20th anniversary of the Russian Robinson Club (RRC). Operations will be on the HF bands. QSL "ONLY" via eQSL (NOT via VU2UR).

CE0X, SAN FELIX (Update). Mike, WU2D, informed OPDX this past week: "If I actually get permission and time, I will attempt to activate CE0X/WU2D. I likely will start calling then filter by districts and zones and will be on 14.185 or 190 TX and listening up 5 to start. I also want to try CW on 30M since Chile just opened that up and it will be a first for San Felix. Realistically, I cannot see that I will be operational until Wed-Thursday the July 12-13th.... 73's Mike"

CR2, AZORES (LH Op!). Operators Leonel/CU3EJ, Antonio/CU8AS, Siggi/DL2HYH, Willy/HB9AHL and Hermann/HB9CRV/CT3FN will activate the lighthouse for the first time on Formigas Island (EU-003, WLOTA LH-4293, ARLHS AZO-001 and WWFF/DPRN CTFF-039) as CR2F between July 30-31st. QSL via HB9CRV, direct, by the Bureau or LoTW. For updates, watch: http://www.to-mk.com/ct3fn

D2, ANGOLA. João, CT2HPM, is now active as D2CT from Luanda until July 26th. Activity will be 20-10 meters using mostly PSK31 and RTTY. QSL via his home callsign.

EI, IRELAND. Olivier, ON4EI, will once again be active as EI8GQB and EI1A between July 7-31st. He plans to operate from his caravan using green energy. Olivier will activate the EI1A callsign during:

- The IARU HF Worldchampionship Contest July 13-14th
- The CQ WW VHF Contest July 20-21st (on 50 MHz only)
- The RSGB IOTA Contest July 27-28th.
His objective is to enjoy radio, run the contest with green energy only and score among the "TOP 10" world stations in the SOABLP category. You can follow his activities and antenna experimentation on:
http://www.qrz.com/db/EI8GQB
This is a very interesting QRZ.com page. There you will find a live information banner with on air frequencies and information. His equipment will consist of:
18m top loaded vertical monopole for 160-80m-40m bands + 32 radials.
3 elements East-West directional inverted V beam for 40m band.
200m long beverage RX antenna East-West directional.
2 Spiderbeam antennas for 20/15/10m bands.
Rigs are Elecraft K3+P3 & Kenwood TS2000 100W.
500Ah battery bank + 180W solar panel and 400W wind generator.
Also, live video streaming will be provided on:
http://www.ustream.tv/channel/ei8gqb
QSL via PA3249, direct or by the Bureau.

ET, ETHIOPIA. Ken, K4ZW, will once again be back in Addis Ababa between July 12-19th. He plans to operate from ET3AA, the Ethiopian Amateur Radio Society (EARS) club station. He mentions to OPDX that most of his time will be spent on CW, but is going to try and be active on RTTY as well. Ken also states to look for ET3AA HQ station during the IARU HF World Championship (July 13-14th). QSLs go to N2OO. In fact, Bob is handling QSLs now for ET3AA, but he doesn't have all of the logs. There is a chart on the ET3AA QRZ.com Web page that lists the logs he does have.

FO/A & FO/M, AUSTRAL AND MARQUESAS ISLANDS. By the time you read this, Vadym, UT6UD (ex-A35UD and S21XV), will be active as FO/UT6UD from the Hiva Oa Island (OC-027), Marquesas Island, until 1500z, July 13th. He will then move onto Rurutu Island (OC-050), Austral Island. Vadym plans to be there between 0400z, July 15th and 1600z, July 22nd. Activity will be on 40-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. His equipment is a TS-590 and verticals. QSL via UT6UD, direct or by the Bureau.

FS, ST. MARTIN (Reminder). Operators YL Kjerstin/AF6KJ and Travis/AF6WU will be finishing up their activity as PJ7/homecall from Sint Maarten (NA-105, WLOTA 0711) on July 9th, and then move onto St. Martin (NA-105, WLOTA 0383) to be active as FS/homecall between July 10-14th. Activity will be on multi-bands and multi-modes on HF according to the best available propagation. QSL both callsigns via AF6WU, direct or by the Bureau. Also eQSL, LoTW and Clublog. For direct QSLs, U.S. stations send 1 US stamp, 33 cents does it. DX stations send 1 USD or 1 IRC. Don't send him a standard envelope, the card is large, 4" x 5.25", and it won't fit.

FS, ST. MARTIN. Operators Randy/N0TG, Ron/AA4VK and Jeff/N1SNB will be active as FS/homecall from St. Martin (NA-105, WLOTA 0383) between October 24-31st. Activity will probably be like their PJ7 operation - a suitcase operation on 40-10 meters using CW and SSB, with wire antennas

and 100 watts. The trio will be active as FS/N1SNB during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th). QSL "ALL" callsigns via AA4VK.

HC, ECUADOR. Mauro, IZ1DPS will be active as HC/IZ1DPS from Ecuador between now and January 12th, 2014. Activity will be on the HF bands. QSL via IK2DUW, direct, by the Bureau or LoTW. NO eQSL.

II8, ITALY (LH Op!). Members of the Calabria DX Team and ARI Villa S. Giovanni will be active as II8LH on July 13th, from the Punta Peaao Lighthouse (WAIL CL-007, ARLHS ITA-139). QSL via the Bureau to HB9FHZ (USKA Bureau). QSL via IK8YFU direct. E-QSL Authenticity is guaranteed. Also LoTW. For more info, see: http://www.calabriadxteam.it

IOTA ACTIVATIONS. Eric, W4OTN/3, informs OPDX that he is currently planning on two IOTA DXpeditions: Smith Island (NA-140) and Hatteras (Pea) Island (NA-067). The DXpedition to Smith Island is up in the air due to him having to sail there, but the latter to Hatteras Island will definitely happen unless there is some hurricane that forces him to stay home. His plan is as follows:
NA-140 - Smith Island is a small island in Maryland's Chesapeake Bay. Available only by boat, he will be sailing there to operate from the marina using shore-based antennas and transceivers. Eric will provide an update as it gets closer to the time to make his way south. Operation will be over the last weekend in July 2013 for the annual RSGB IOTA Contest. Activity will most likely be 40-10 meters SSB. He may be able to do some CW, depending on how much practice he get before then.

NA-067. Eric will be on vacation between August 4-10th on Hatteras Island. Operating will be vacation-style and he will try to be available on 40-6 meters using CW and SSB. Eric knows this island group has been well represented in the past so he does not expect many pileups, but maybe he can work some rare ones himself!

QSL via LoTW, direct (w/SASE OR SAE and 1 IRC), or SKCC or the ARRL Bureau. Eric will update everyone on his Web page as time gets closer for these events to happen at: http://www.w4otn.us/upcoming-iota-activations

IOTA ACTIVITY BY K6VVA (NA-004/NA-050/NA-172). Rick, K6VVA, sent out the following info on June 30th [edited]: "The decision was just made about NA-172, NA-004 and NA-050.
Look at the NOAA Forecast graph at <http://www.k6vva.com/iota/na172>.
Our planned dates for NA-172 were July 17-20th. NA-172 will unfortunately NOT happen this year - the "handwriting is on the wall". ;-(
A new 'Game Plan' for next year (2014) will involve new advance arrange-ments for a potentially MUCH longer stay on the mainland to wait out any solar issues. This will also be a more costly activation due to added 'Polar Bear Guard' protection cautionary measures including paying for the boat to remain at the Island with us in the event of a need for a QRQ Exit. 'Safety First' is the highest priority for Mike/K9AJ and myself. There are a lot of costly logistical matters to be rescheduled involving

the NA-172 activation.
That's the situation. Ditto for NA-004. However, I will still make a
THIRD attempt at NA-050 myself which is more 'turnkey' to accomplish,
and not as much $$$ loss risk if solar condx take a dump on the way
there, upon arrival or during the activation. ;-(
Stay tuned for more details, and check <http://www.twitter.com/k6vva>
for any updates.
FYI & 73,..... Rick, K 6 V V A * The Locust"
UPDATE FROM RICK: Rick was going to try to activate NA-050 this past
weekend, but he had to postpone -- "Due to increased unexpected solar
disturbances, Auroral Oval, potential NA-050 fog and now the likelihood
of departure delays and missed connections due to the re-routing of many
plane flights down to the San Jose Airport resulting from the unfortunate
plane crash at nearby SFO airport, this trip is being (postponed) again."
Read the complete news release at: http://www.k6vva.com/iota/na050

IOTA NEWS.............
AF-046. Operators Nicola/CR9ABE, Jenny/CR9ABG, Xavier/CS9ABC and
Ricardo/CT3KN will be active as CQ9D from Medeira Natural
Park on Desertas Island between July 26-29th. Activity will
be on 40-10 meters using CW and SSB. They will have a very
modest setup (low power and verticals antennas). They also
will participate in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th).
QSL via LoTW or direct to CT3KN.

AS-066. Vladimir, UA0LCZ, will be active as RI0NZ from Popov Island
between July 22-29th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters CW.
He will also be an entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July
27-28th). QSL via his home callsign, by the Bureau or direct.

AS-137. Members of the Nanjing Amateur Radio Club (NJARC) will be active
as BA4WL/5 from Liuheng Island, in the Zhoushan Archipelago
Group, Zhejiang Province, China, during the RSGB IOTA Contest
(July 27-28th). Operators mentioned are XU/BA8IK, Jiang/BD4WO,
Yang/BD4WN, He/BH4RQU, BH4RJP, Chen/BH4RWX, Yu/BH4RZI and
Liu/BD4WS. QSL direct only to BD4WO (2 USDs or 2 new IRCs).

EU-011. Members of the Cray Valley Radio Society team will once again
activate St. Mary's Island in the Isles of Scilly during the
IOTA Contest (July 27-28th) as Multi-Op/Mixed-Mode/24HRS/High-
Power entry. The team is usually there before the contest. In
the past the team has operated on all HF bands prior to the
contest using their callsigns/P. During the contest they will
be active as M8C and after until they leave the Islands under
their own callsigns. QSL via G4DFI, the QSL Manager of M8C and
the Club callsign. Operators mentioned this year are Nobby/
G0VJG, Richard/G7GLW, Ian/M0UAT, Guy/G0UKN, Garo/G0PZA and
Chris/G0FDZ.

EU-016. Operators Nicolò/IZ6TSA, Italo/IK6JNH and Andrea/IK6VXO will
be active as 9A8DV from Drvenik Veli Island (IOCA-017) during

the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th) as a Multi-Single entry.
QSL via IK6VXO.

EU-038. Operators Berend/PA3FAL, Peter/PE1PKR and Eric/PE3V will be
active as PE3V/p from Ameland Island during the RSGB IOTA
Contest (July 27-28th) as a Multi-Op/IOTA-DXpedition/24HRS/
Low-Power entry. QSL via PE3V.

EU-049. Tony, PY2DY, will be active as SY8APQ from Lesvos Island until
July 31st. Activity will be on 20/15 meters. QSL via PY2DY
direct or LoTW. (NO eQSL and NO Bureau)

EU-049. Isidoros, SV8GXQ, will be active with the special callsign
SX8HOMER from Chios Island (GIOTA NAS-002) starting July 30th,
for 15 days. Activity is to honor "Homer's" contribution to
the "Greek Culture and History". Activity will be on the HF
bands. QSL via his home callsign direct only.

EU-057. Joachim, DL5KUD, will once gain be active from Ruegen Island
(O-07 for the German Islands Award) during the RSGB IOTA Contest
(July 27-28th) as a Single-Op/CW/Low-Power entry. QSL via DL5KUD.
by the Bureau or OQRS.

EU-128. Francois, ON4LO, will be active as DL/ON4LO/p from Fehmarn
Island (DID O-01, WLOTA 0637) between July 14-25th. Activity
will be holiday style on the HF bands. QSL via his home
callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

EU-135. Anders, SM5EFX, will once again be active as SF2X/p from Ledskar
Island (WLOTA 0291) between now and July 31st. Activity will
be on all HF bands and modes. His main focus will be an entry
in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July27-28th). QSL via SM5EFX, direct
or by the Bureau.

EU-146. Operator Ron, ON6CQ, will once again be active as PA/ON6CQ
from Schouwen Duiveland, Netherlands, during the RSGB IOTA
Contest (July 27-28th) as a Single-Op/Mode-SSB/24HRS/High-Power
entry. QSL via ON6CQ, by the Bureau (preferred), direct or LoTW.

EU-175. Nuno, CT1EEK, will be active as CR5R from Pico Island, Azores,
between July 30th and August 5th. Activity will be holiday
style on 20-10 meters, possibly 80/40 meters, using a TS-570
running 100 watts into a dipole or vertical. QSL via CT1EEK.

NA-059. Tim, NL8F, will be active as KL7RRC from Fox Islands throughout
July, to celebrate the 20th anniversary of the Russian Robinson
Club (RRC). QSL via N7RO and UA9OBA. RRC's Expeditions QSL
Manager, Eugene, RZ3EC, will have a copy of the log to help
with earning credit for the anniversary's diploma.

NA-181. Operators Klaus/VE7KDU and Frank/VE7DP will make another attempt
to activate the Estevan Islands some time during July 11-15th.
The operation will actually take place from Barnard Island; it

is located about 80 miles west/southwest of the nearest
accessible town. Reaching their destination will depend on
the local weather and sea conditions. The plan is for a minimum
48-hour operation, activity on 30-15 meters using CW and SSB.
QSL via their home callsign, by the Bureau or direct. ADDED
NOTE: A brief activity (less than 24 hours) from one of the
qualifying islands in the NA-061 group is also possible,
immediately before or after NA-181 operation.

OC-158. (Special Event) By the time you read this, Ralph, H44RK, is
expected to be active with the special callsign H44IND from
Nggela Sule, Florida Islands. The special callsign is being
used to celebrate the Solomon Island's 35th anniversary
of independence. Activity will be on the HF bands using SSB.
QSL via NR6M.

OC-166. Adhi, YB3MM, will be active as YB3MM/7 from Derawan Island
between July 26-28th. Activity will include the RSGB IOTA
Contest (July 27-28th). QSL via IZ8CCW, direct or via the
OQRS. Log will be on ClubLog.

OC-237. Budi, YF1AR, will be active as YF1AR/3 from the Sembilangan
Lighthouse (ARLHS IDO-076, Admiralty K1158.2, NGA 23624), on
Madura Island between July 25-29th. Activity will be on 40-10
meters using mainly SSB but with some CW and Digital modes.
His operation also includes an entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest
(July 27-28th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. Equip-
ment is a Yaesu FT-450 with 100w into a 3 element yagi and
full size GP. QSL via N2OO. Log will be on ClubLog. For more
details and updates, see: http://www.yf1ar.com

OC-255. Craig, VK5CE, will be active as VK5CE/4 from the totally
uninhabited and very rare Red Island between October 16-21st.
If like his Flinders Island operation, Craig's activities will
be on 80-10 meters, with most of the operations being on
40/20/15m, using SSB and PSK. QSL via his home callsign.
For more details and updates, watch Craig's Blog page at:
http://oc255.blogspot.com.au

J3, GRENADA. Operators Clarence/WX7E and Ron/WJ7R are planning to be
active from Grenada (NA-024, WLOTA 0718) during the CQWW DX SSB Contest
(October 26-27th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via LoTW. Dates of stay,
callsign(s) and activities outside of the contest were not announced yet.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (July 8-14th)....
Jul/08th AN Jul/11th AN Jul/13th AN
Jul/09th AN Jul/12th AN Jul/14th AN
Jul/10th AN

SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS/INDEXES AND GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE
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NORMALITY GEOMAG K Values Alpha

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AN - Above Normal Quiet K=0-1 0-7
HN - High Normal Unsettled K=2 8-15
LN - Low Normal Active K=3 16-29
BN - Below Normal Minor Storm K=4 30-49
DIS - Disturbed Major Storm K=5 50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed Severe Storm K=6-9 100-400

LDXG IS BORN (Press Release). Chris, DL1MGB, sent out the following on July 4th [edited]: "During the 2013 Ham Radio Exhibition in Friedrichshafen the foundation of the Lagunaria DX Group (LDXG) was announced. Several operators founded together in 2007 when carrying out the VK9DNX DXpedition to Norfolk Island. The group also went to VK9DWX (Willis Island 2008) and ZL8X (Kermadec Islands 2010). And it was the technical and operational brains behind the radio operations of the TX5K Cordell-DXpedition to Clipperton Island in spring of 2013.
The intention of the group is not to support other DXpeditions rather than to carry out its own ones. Besides having fun and going on DXpeditions as the main goals, the Lagunaria DX Group also supports international understanding, shares technical ideas with others and makes use of high and bullet-proof technical standards.
The group members (DJ5IW, DJ7EO, DJ9RR, DL1MGB, DL3DXX, DL5CW, DL5LYM, DL6FBL, DL8OH, DL8WPX and SP5XVY) are not only all known from a lot of DXpeditions in the past, but also as passionate contesters of the Bavarian Contest Club (BCC).
After several discussions in Friedrichshafen the group already started with planning a new one. More information about this will be available soon.
Please have a look at the homepage of the Lagunaria DX Group <http://lagunaria-dx-group.org/> to learn more about the group and its history and their DXpeditions."

LY80, LITHUANIA (Special Event). Look for the following stations to be active through July 31st. Lithuanian and Polish hams will operate special event stations to mark the 80th anniversary of the Lithuanian pilots Darius and Girenas flight across Atlantic Ocean. See the following URLs for more details: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Lituanica
http://lt.wikipedia.org/wiki/Lituanica
The LRMD (Lithuanian Amateur Radio Society) will issue a special pennant to those operators and SWLs who fulfill the following conditions:
☐ EU stations 10 different special event LY80 and 5 different special event SN80 stations (also HF80LOT, 3Z80LOT) stations. Total 15 QSOs with different special events stations.
☐ DX stations 5 different special event LY80 and 3 different special event SN80 stations (also HF80LOT, 3Z80LOT) stations. Total 8 QSOs with different special events stations.

Lithuanian stations mentioned are:
LY80DG (via LY1RMD) LY80L (via LY5A) LY80U (via LY5O)
LY80B (via LY3Q) LY80M (via LY2MM) LY80X (via LY3X)
LY80E (via LY3NX) LY80N (via LY2KM) LY80Y (via LY3BY)

LY80G (via LY2GV) LY80Q (via LY4Q) LY80Z (via LY8O)
LY80H (via LY1H) LY80S (via LY4TB)
LY80K (via LY1K) LY80T (via LY2QT)

Polish stations mentioned are:
HF80LOT SN80JJY SN80SNU
3Z80LOT SN80KTR SN80PRK
SN80LOT SN80MNG SN80SNU
SN80AAG SN80MNK SN80TAW
SN80FMW SN80PRK SN80WWS

More information about Polish hams activities to mark this event,
please see: http://sites.google.com/site/sp1pmy/home/zlot-pszczelnik-2013

NP2, U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS. Yuriy, N2TTA, will once again be active from here, but as NP2P during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL via LoTW.

OX, GREENLAND. Operators Pat/N2IEN, Ray/W2RE and Lee/WW2DX will be active as OX/homecall from Narsarsuaq between July 11-15th. Activity will be on 40-6 meters using CW and SSB. They plan to use verticals. QSL via their home callsigns. Also, look for them to participate in the IARU HF World Championships (July 13-14th) as OX2DX. QSL via LoTW.

OY, FAROE ISLAND (Update). Ulf, DL3UB, will be active as OY/DL3UB from the Faroe Islands between July 29th and August 9th. Activity will be holiday style on 40-10 meters on CW, but with a focus on the 30/17/12 meter bands. QSL via this home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

PJ4, BONAIRE. Frank, PH2M, will be active as PJ4M from Kralendijk, Bonaire (SA-006), between September 13-26th. Activity will be on the HF bands. QSL via his home callsign (only the 2013 operation), preferred by the Bureau or direct.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (For July 4th)

3Z3P via SQ9PPO HB0/OE6ETF/P via OE6ETF LY80Z via LY8O
3Z80LOT via SP1KRF HB0/OE9HRV/P via OE9HRV LZ1722SN via LZ1KCP
5C5C via 6K5YPD HB0/PA2HW via PA2HW LZ20RRC via RZ3EC
9A282AA via 9A2AA HB0/PD1RP via PD1RP MX0EPC via LZ3HI
9A283B via 9A1AA HF19BSC via SQ6DGB OH0/DK2OO via DK2OO
9A283KS via 9A3KS HF80LOT via SP1PMY OK/SQ9SHR/P via SQ9SHR
9A283ST via 9A3ST HG5FIRAC via HA5BSW OK8DCC via DL3DCC
9H3TI via DL2AAZ J49C via SV9COL OL1150CM via OK2KYD
CO6LE via EA5GL LX/OO6P via ON6ZV OU2W via OZ1ETA
DU1/JA3FJE via JA3FJE LY80B via LY3Q OZ30EU via OZ8IE
EA6/OE6HRF/P via OE6HRF LY80DG via LY1RMD PA/DL1SBF via DL1SBF
EA8/DL3GCS via EA8/DL3GCS LY80E via LY3NX PA6XX via PF0R
EI/G7RAU/P via G7RAU LY80G via LY2GV R400T via RA3UAG
EN1025UB via UR5UB LY80H via LY1H R44WFF via RA3AKF
EO73U via UT7UU LY80K via LY1K RU27LU via UA4L

ER/KL1A via RW3AH (d) LY80L via LY5A SG0U via SM3CXS
GB4AFD via (B) LY80M via LY2MM SJ3SOP via SA3BYC
HB0/4Z5LA via 4Z5LA LY80N via LY4Q SN100ZHPZ via SP9PGM
HB0/DL8CX via DL8CX LY80S via LY4TB SN80JJY via SP1JJY
HB0/DM7PCH via DM7PCH LY80T via LY2QT ST2SF via K0YAK
HB0/F8CZI/P via F8CZI LY80U via LY5O TK/F6BVA via F6BVA
HB0/OE5HCE/P via OE5HCE LY80X via LY3X UE10RFF via RG5G
HB0/OE5REO/P via OE5REO LY80Y via LY3BY
(e) eQSL only (d) direct only (B) Bureau only (L) LoTW only

OLD QSL COLLECTION (Update). Jean Michel, F6AJA, wants to remind everyone to visit the Les Nouvelles DX (LNDX) Web page to see more than 11100 old QSL cards in several different albums/galleries. This site contains:
- The ten most wanted DXCC entities (2004 to 2011) with more than 300 QSLs
- At least one card for each 60 deleted DXCC countries (more than 1500+ QSLs)
- Nearest the totality of current prefixes, disappeared now (more than 3900+ QSLs)
- Album for stations from North Africa 1945-1962 (400+ QSLs)
- More than 850 QSLs from the Antarctic bases.
- Nearly 270 QSLs from the TAAF (Terres Australes and Antarctiques Francaises).
- More than 300 QSLs for the rare French Pacific Islands such as FK/C, FO/C, FO/A, FO/M, FO/C and FW
- Nearly 100 cards from Eparses Islands such as FR/B/E/G/J/T
- The FG, FM, FP, FS, FY stations from 1945 to 1970
- More than 1500 cards for the old timer with more than 130 countries before 1945.
- Cards from the French Department before 1945.
- At least one card from each of the states in the U.S. before 1945.
The URL address for the Web site is: http://LesNouvellesDX.free.fr
Some cards are still needed for the collection, and your particip-ation is welcome. Please visit their site and give them your comments by sending an E-mail to: LesNouvellesDX@...
SPECIAL NOTE: A new album with more than 250 cards for ITU commemor-ative station is online and you can visit at this address: http://lesnouvellesdx.fr/galerie/galerie.php?page=listitu
PLEASE NOTE (Especially for USA and Brazil): During the year 1974 and 1975, a large number of 'ITU' stations were active and you can find on the web pages a list of QSLs needed. Your help is STRONGLY needed as usual.

QSL CORRECTION. Please note for the coming 9X0XA and 9X0NH during the upcoming CQWW DX CW Contest, the QSL info is as follows: QSL 9X0XA via G3SWH and 9X0NH via G3RWF (not G3SWH).

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 4A3RRC, 5W1SA, A61AS, A92GE, HP1/IZ6BRN, JE2PMC, KH0XH, OF3I and PJ4LS

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3D2XC, 7P8ZM, 8Q7DV, C98RF, FO8WBB, HP1/S54ZZ, JT1AA/3, JT1CO, K6VVA/KL7, KH2L, PT0S, SV2ASP/A, UA9FAR, VR2XMT, XE1RBV and ZD7VC

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 5R8UO, 9L0W, B3C, C50C, MD0CCE, IS0/DL6NDW, P4/DF7ZS, P40Z, PJ2/DL8OBQ, S79A, S79NEN, ST0R, T70A and V55V

SW9, CRETE. Gordon, MM0GOR, will be active as SW9GG from Crete Island (EU-015) between July 23-30th. Activity will include the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th). QSL via his home callsign to the RSGB Bureau.

TO7, REUNION ISLAND (Early Announcement). Members from the F6KOP Radio Club team will be active as TO7CC from Reunion Island (AF-016) between February 5-17th, 2014. Activity will be on all bands and modes, with an emphasis on the lower bands and RTTY. More details will be forthcoming.

TK9, CORSICA. Sebastian, IK2WZM, will be active as TK9ZM from Corsica Island between September 2-8th. Activity will be holiday style on the HF bands. QSL via his home callsign. For more details and updates, watch: http://www.mdxc.org/tk9zm

VP2E, ANGUILLA. Don, W5SQK, will be active as VP2EAF from Meads Bay, Anguilla (NA-022), between July 8-16th. He states that this is a fixed operation from the hotel room and portable from the beach using a buddipole. Log will be uploaded to LoTW when he returns home. QSL via his home callsign W5SQK.

W4DXCC DX AND CONTEST CONVENTION (Press Release) [edited]: "The W4DXCC DX and Contest Convention is the South East's largest and best attended ham radio event for 9 years running. Located at the MainStay Suites in Pigeon Forge, Tennessee, September 27-28th. A full schedule of popular presenters speak on DX and Contest subjects throughout the main convention with prize drawings between presenters, drinks and snacks included. Equipment manufac-turers are on hand to demonstrate new products and answer your equipment questions face to face. A banquet rounds out the day where the grand prizes are drawn.
The Ten Tec Hamfest is Saturday 28th starting before the convention. Both hamfest and convention can be attended on Saturday.
A full range of shopping for the family is located nearby along with water parks, go cart tracks and Dollywood for the kids. Bring the family for a wonderful weekend full of Fun.
Check out the WEB site for more details, filling fast, book early <www.W4DXCC.com>..... Thanks in advance,
73 de Dave Anderson, K4SV"

YB, INDONESIA. Bert, PD1SA, will be active as YB1/PD1SA from Indonesia between August 30th and September 28th. Activity will be mostly on 20 meters SSB, but he tells OPDX that he may also be on 80 and 40 meters. He will use a Yaesu FT-857 into a "fine wire antenna". QSL via his home callsign. ADDED NOTE: Bert informs OPDX that he will also be back in Indonesia next year (2014), possibly March or April for 2 months.

Z80, SOUTH SUDAN. Operators Massimo/Z81B and Diya/Z81D will be using the special callsign Z80ID for one day on July 9th, to celebrate South Sudan's "Independence Day". Activity will be on all HF bands, depending on open propagtion, using SSB. QSL via OM3JW.

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** IMPORTANT NOTICE/REMINDER ** The Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin now has a new FAX number. Contributors can now send/fax their DX information to the following number: 1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)
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PLEASE NOTICE (as of February 12th), NEW ADDRESS CHANGES FOR THE OPDX INTERNET HELP/SUBSCRIBE/UNSUBSCRIBE REQUESTS:
Help: <mailto:opdx-request@...?subject=help>
Subscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@...?subject=subscribe>
Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@...?subject=unsubscribe>
OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):
http://www.papays.com/opdx.html
ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB PAGES AT:
http://www.nodxa.org
http://www.facebook.com/NorthernOhioDxAssociation

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21360. CURRENT IRCS FOR SALE CHEAP

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-07-08 05:02:26 UTC
From: GOLIST
Topic: 21360 Message: 21360
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Current IRC's for sale
My client asked me to REDUCE the price of the IRC'S and get them sold.
The New Price is $1.35 each with postage paid to you (USA ONLY).
10 IRC minimum order please

If interested email me for availability. golist@...

John K1XN
The Golist

Distributor for:
GoWin, Qsl Manager Search Program
WIN EQF Logging Software
RAC Call Book CD
http://shop.golist.net/index.php
Twitter @golist

21361. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-07-08 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21361

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:Issued: 2013 Jul 08 1216 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30708
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 08 Jul 2013, 1207UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 08 Jul 2013 until 10 Jul 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 08 Jul 2013 10CM FLUX: 122 / AP: 004
PREDICTIONS FOR 09 Jul 2013 10CM FLUX: 120 / AP: 003
PREDICTIONS FOR 10 Jul 2013 10CM FLUX: 120 / AP: 003
COMMENT:Solar activity was eruptive during the past 24 hours with one C9.6 class
flare originating from Catiana sunspot group 24 (NOAA AR 1785) on July 8 at
1h22 UT. Though this group has reduced in number of sunspots, it's
photospheric magnetic field remains to have beta-gamma-delta configuration.
It is capable of producing more C-class flares and maybe an M-class flare.
No geo-effective CMEs were observed. We are currently under influence of a
slow solar wind (speed around 300 km/s). The magnitude of the
interplanetary magnetic field is low (about 5 nT). Geomagnetic conditions
are quiet and are expected to remain so for the next 48 hours.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 078, BASED ON 17 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 07 Jul 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 126
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 008
AK WINGST : 007
ESTIMATED AP : 007
ESTIMATED ISN : 094, BASED ON 21 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21362. Your expectations of LotW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-07-08 21:36:17 UTC
From: Dave AA6YQ
Topic: 21362 Message: 21362

I have set up a simple two-question survey to assess your expectations of LotW’s availability and processing time. Please visit

<http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/M5VWV9V>

Thanks!

73,

Dave, AA6YQ

21363. RE: [DX-IS] Your expectations of LotW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-07-08 23:55:57 UTC
From: Ron Notarius W3WN
Topic: 21362 Message: 21363

I don't understand the point of the survey.

The first question is related to downtime. Is it scheduled downtime per month? Overall? (And how can you plan for unanticipated network or hardware issues?) And exactly what is "downtime" in the context of the survey anyway?

The second question refers to the time it takes to process a log. Compared to what? Size of the log? Size of the queue? Or just the time it takes an average log (and what is "average"?) once it is selected for processing?

And what is the purpose of the survey, anyway?

Sorry Dave. With all due respect, I find the question ambiguous and the phrasing of the questions... well, a bit argumentative.

If you're trying to stir the pot, count me out.

73

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Dave AA6YQ
Sent: Monday, July 08, 2013 5:36 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] Your expectations of LotW

I have set up a simple two-question survey to assess your expectations of LotW's availability and processing time. Please visit

<http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/M5VWV9V>

Thanks!

73,

Dave, AA6YQ

Yahoo! Groups Links

21364. Re: [DX-IS] Your expectations of LotW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-07-09 00:12:31 UTC
From: Robert Chudek - K0RC
Topic: 21362 Message: 21364

Ron,

I suggest "You know too much!"

I took the survey as an attempt to gauge expectations from the pool of users who, for the most part, don't have a clue about 3, 4, or 5 Nine's of availability. Within the IT industry, as you probably know, these benchmarks are well defined and have costs associated with them.

As far as delay in processing time, again we know LoTW is not a real-time system. The answers to that question should help establish a level of expectation from those same users. There are well researched "acceptable response times" to web page queries, where at some point the user will click off the website.

I answered the two questions without pondering too much of the "yeah but what about's"!

73 de Bob - K?RC in MN

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> From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>
> [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>] On

> Behalf Of Dave
> AA6YQ
> Sent: Monday, July 08, 2013 5:36 PM
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>
> Subject: [DX-IS] Your expectations of LotW
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> I have set up a simple two-question survey to assess your expectations of
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> <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/M5VWV9V>
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> Thanks!
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> 73,
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> Dave, AA6YQ
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> Yahoo! Groups Links
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21365. RE: [DX-IS] Your expectations of LotW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-07-09 00:15:05 UTC
From: Ron Notarius W3WN
Topic: 21362 Message: 21365

Are you saying that I□m not allowed to ask a question or make a comment because I work in IT?

I□m sorry. My sincerest apologies; I didn□t realize that I was actually on the CQ Contest Reflector!!

From: Robert Chudek - K0RC [mailto:k0rc@...]
Sent: Monday, July 08, 2013 8:13 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Cc: Ron Notarius W3WN
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Your expectations of LotW

Ron,

I suggest "You know too much!"

I took the survey as an attempt to gauge expectations from the pool of users who, for the most part, don't have a clue about 3, 4, or 5 Nine's of availability. Within the IT industry, as you probably know, these benchmarks are well defined and have costs associated with them.

As far as delay in processing time, again we know LoTW is not a real-time system. The answers to that question should help establish a level of expectation from those same users. There are well researched "acceptable response times" to web page queries, where at some point the user will click off the website.

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The second question refers to the time it takes to process a log. Compared to what? Size of the log? Size of the queue? Or just the time it takes an average log (and what is "average"?) once it is selected for processing?

And what is the purpose of the survey, anyway?

Sorry Dave. With all due respect, I find the question ambiguous and the phrasing of the questions... well, a bit argumentative.

If you're trying to stir the pot, count me out.

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AA6YQ
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To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com <mailto:DX-IS%40yahoogroups.com>
Subject: [DX-IS] Your expectations of LotW

I have set up a simple two-question survey to assess your expectations of LotW's availability and processing time. Please visit

<http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/M5VWV9V>

Thanks!

73,

Dave, AA6YQ

Yahoo! Groups Links

21366. RE: [DX-IS] Your expectations of LotW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-07-09 00:24:18 UTC
From: Dave AA6YQ
Topic: 21362 Message: 21366

>>>AA6YQ comments below

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Ron Notarius W3WN
Sent: Monday, July 08, 2013 7:56 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Your expectations of LotW

I don't understand the point of the survey.

The first question is related to downtime. Is it scheduled downtime per
month? Overall? (And how can you plan for unanticipated network or
hardware issues?) And exactly what is "downtime" in the context of the
survey anyway?

>>>The first question is "LotW should not be unavailable for more than..."

>>>This is intended to include both planned and unplanned unavailability.

>>>One typically maintains target availability in the face of possible hardware or network failures via replication.

The second question refers to the time it takes to process a log. Compared
to what? Size of the log? Size of the queue? Or just the time it takes an
average log (and what is "average"?) once it is selected for processing?

>>>I'm asking each user for their expectation, based on their typical usage patterns.

And what is the purpose of the survey, anyway?

>>>To help quantify user expectations for comparison with current and extrapolated future performance metrics, as part of capacity
and redundancy planning.

73,

Dave, AA6YQ

21367. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-07-09 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21367

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:Issued: 2013 Jul 09 1209 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30709
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 09 Jul 2013, 1207UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 09 Jul 2013 until 11 Jul 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 09 Jul 2013 10CM FLUX: 118 / AP: 003
PREDICTIONS FOR 10 Jul 2013 10CM FLUX: 115 / AP: 003
PREDICTIONS FOR 11 Jul 2013 10CM FLUX: 115 / AP: 005
COMMENT:Current solar activity, with several C-class flares, originates from
Catania sunspot groups 24 and 26 (NOAA AR 1785 and 1787). Catania group 24
slightly decreased in size, but remains it's magnetic complexity. Catania
group 26 has increased in size and complexity (now also having a delta
component in it's photospheric magnetic field). C-class flaring activity is
expected, with a slight chance for a M-class flare. Solar wind speed as
observed by ACE is at 320 km/s and the magnitude of the interplanetary
magnetic field is up to 8 nT with a Bz varying from -5 to +5 nT.
Geomagnetic conditions are quiet and are expected to remain so for the next
48 hours.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 075, BASED ON 13 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 08 Jul 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 145
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 119
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 007
AK WINGST : 004
ESTIMATED AP : 005
ESTIMATED ISN : 082, BASED ON 29 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21368. RE: [ARRL-LOTW] Your expectations of LotW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-07-09 22:11:20 UTC
From: Dave AA6YQ
Topic: 21368 Message: 21368

Results of the survey as of ~21Z today can be found in

<http://www.ambersoft.com/Amateur_Radio/TQSL/ExpectationsSurvey_2013-07-08.pdf>

The “Response Percent” and “Response Count” columns contain raw data; I added the “Cumulative Satisfaction” column.

Thanks to all who participated!

73,

Dave, AA6YQ

From: ARRL-LOTW@yahoogroups.com [mailto:ARRL-LOTW@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Dave AA6YQ
Sent: Monday, July 08, 2013 5:04 PM
To: ARRL-LOTW@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [ARRL-LOTW] Your expectations of LotW

I have set up a simple two-question survey to assess your expectations of LotW’s availability and processing time. Please visit

<http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/M5VWV9V>

Thanks!

73,

Dave, AA6YQ

21369. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-07-10 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21369

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:Issued: 2013 Jul 10 1217 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30710
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 10 Jul 2013, 1207UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 10 Jul 2013 until 12 Jul 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Active conditions expected (A>=20 or K=4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 10 Jul 2013 10CM FLUX: 120 / AP: 019
PREDICTIONS FOR 11 Jul 2013 10CM FLUX: 124 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 12 Jul 2013 10CM FLUX: 124 / AP: 003
COMMENT:Solar flaring activity mainly originated from Catania sunspot group 26
(NOAA AR 1787), featuring 3 C-class flares in the past 24 hours. The C4.9
flare at 6h40 UT on the 10th was the largest one. For the next 48 hours
C-flaring activity is expected to continue, with Catania sunspot groups 24
and 26 (NOAA AR 1785 and 1787) as main source candidates. LASCO/C2
detected a halo CME at 15h24 UT on the 9th. It was associated with a broad
filament eruption (NE to SW oriented) in the northern hemisphere. The CME
is travelling with an estimated speed of 440 km/s and is expected to arrive
at Earth on the 13th around 13h UT. A shock in the solar wind speed was
observed at 20h UT on the 9th. Solar wind speed currently is at 440 km/s.
The magnitude of the interplanetary magnetic field is around 10 nT, with a
mainly negative z-component. Geomagnetic conditions are unsettled to active
and are expected to remain so for the next few hours, before returning to
quiet conditions.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 054, BASED ON 15 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 09 Jul 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 125
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 120
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 027
AK WINGST : 015
ESTIMATED AP : 012
ESTIMATED ISN : 074, BASED ON 27 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21370. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-07-11 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21370

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:Issued: 2013 Jul 11 1206 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30711
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 11 Jul 2013, 1207UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 11 Jul 2013 until 13 Jul 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Minor storm expected (A>=30 or K=5)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 11 Jul 2013 10CM FLUX: 116 / AP: 018
PREDICTIONS FOR 12 Jul 2013 10CM FLUX: 116 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 13 Jul 2013 10CM FLUX: 116 / AP: 036
COMMENT:Solar flaring activity was eruptive during the past 24 hours. Catania
sunspot group 24 (NOAA AR 1785) was responsible for the main event, a C2.0
class flare with a peak at 00h04 UT on the 11th. For the next 48 hours
C-class flaring activity is expected to continue. No geo-effective CMEs
were observed. Current geomagnetic conditions are unsettled to active (K=3
to 4) and are expected to return to quiet to unsettled levels in the next
few hours. Geomagnetic storm levels (K=5 to 6) can be reached from 13h UT
on the 13th due to arrival of the CME that erupted on the 9th.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 051, BASED ON 15 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 10 Jul 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 085
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 118
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 026
AK WINGST : 031
ESTIMATED AP : 033
ESTIMATED ISN : 051, BASED ON 20 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21371. ARLD028 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-07-11 22:08:35 UTC
From: jjreisert@...
Topic: 5172 Message: 21371

SB DX @ ARL $ARLD028
ARLD028 DX news

ZCZC AE28
QST de W1AW
DX Bulletin 28 ARLD028
>From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT July 11, 2013
To all radio amateurs

SB DX ARL ARLD028
ARLD028 DX news

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by IZ2DPX, NC1L, the OPDX Bulletin, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, DXNL, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

CYPRUS, 5B. Tony, RT9T is QRV as 5B4ALB from Pachyammos, IOTA AS-004, until July 16. Activity is on all HF bands and modes. He will be active with the contest station P3N in the IARU HF World Championship. QSL 5B4ALB direct to home call and P3N via operators' instructions.

MADAGASCAR, 5R. Flavio will be QRV as 5R8NE from Nosy-Be Island, IOTA AF-057, from July 16 to 30. Activity will be on 40 to 10 meters using SSB. This includes an entry in the upcoming RSGB IOTA contest. QSL via IK2DUW.

SAN FELIX AND SAN AMBROSIO, CE0. Mike, WU2D is QRV as CE0X/WU2D on San Felix until July 15. Activity is on 20, 17 and 15 meters using SSB and some CW. QSL to home call.

CUBA, CO. A group of operators will be QRV as T49C in the IARU HF World Championship. They will be active from the La Habana, Villa Clara and Las Tunas provinces. Activity will be on 160 to 10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via K8SIX.

ANGOLA, D2. Joao, CT2HPM is QRV as D2CT from Luanda until July 26. Activity is on 20 to 10 meters using mostly PSK31 and RTTY. QSL to home call.

SOUTH COOK ISLANDS, E5. Andy, AB7FS is QRV as E51AND and along with Kathy, E51KC will be active from Mangaia Island, IOTA OC-159, from July 15 to 19. Activity will be holiday style on the HF bands using CW and SSB. QSL via operators' instructions.

IRELAND, EI. Olivier, ON4EI is QRV as EI8GQB and EI1A until July 31 while using green energy. Activity is on 160 to 6 meters. He will be active in the IARU HF World Championship and the upcoming CQ WW VHF and RSGB IOTA contests. QSL via PA3249.

ETHIOPIA, ET. Ken, K4ZW is QRV from club station ET3AA until July 19. Activity is on the HF bands using mostly CW and possibly RTTY. This includes an entry in the IARU HF World Championship. QSL via N2OO.

MARQUESAS ISLANDS, FO. Vadym, UT6UD is QRV as FO/UT6UD from Hiva, IOTA OC-027, until July 13. Activity is on 30 to 10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL to home call.

AUSTRAL ISLANDS, FO. After his Hiva operation, Vadym, UT6UD will be QRV as FO/UT6UD from Juli Rurutu, IOTA OC-050, from July 14 to 22. Activity will be on 30 to 10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL to home call.

ST. PIERRE AND MIQUELON, FP. Eric, KV1J is QRV as FP/KV1J from Miquelon Island, IOTA NA-032, until July 16. Activity is on the HF bands using mainly SSB and RTTY. QSL to home call.

ECUADOR, HC. Members of the Quito Radio Club are QRV as HD082QRC until July 23 to commemorate their club's 82nd anniversary. Activity is on 160 to 2 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL direct via HC1JQ.

THAILAND, HS. Dej, E21YDP will be QRV in the IARU HF World Championship as a Single Op/Low Power CW entry. QSL via operator's instructions.

GREENLAND, OX. Operators N2IEN, W2RE and WW2DX are QRV as OX/home calls from Narsarsuaq until July 15. Activity is on 40 to 6 meters using CW and SSB. They will be active as OX2DX in the IARU HF World Championship. QSL to home calls and contest call via operators' instructions.

SWEDEN, SM. Special event station SF2013WE is QRV all of July during the European Championship in Women's Football. QSL via operators' instructions.

SUDAN, ST. Sam, K0YAK is QRV as ST2SF from Khartoum until August. Activity is on the HF bands using mainly CW and digital modes. During power disruptions he will be active using QRP power. QSL to home call.

GREECE, SV. A group of operators will be QRV as SW2UT from Neoi Poroi from July 16 to 26. Activity will be on 80 to 6 meters using CW with some SSB and RTTY. QSL via HA8UT.

UKRAINE, UR. Members of the Ukrainian Radioamateur QRP Club are QRV as EO15QRP until August 12 to celebrates its 15th anniversary. QSL via UT2AB.

LAOS, XW. Champ, E21EIC will be QRV as XW0YJY in the IARU HF World Championship as a Single Op/Mixed Mode/Low Power entry. QSL to home call.

SERBIA, YU. Members of the Radio Club Novi Sad are QRV as YU88BPQ until December to commemorate the club's 88 years of history. QSL via YU7BPQ.

MACEDONIA, Z3. Vlado, N3CZ is QRV as Z3/N3CZ until July 19 while on holiday. QSL to home call.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The IARU HF World Championship, QRP CW Fox Hunt, NCCC RTTY Sprint, NCCC Sprint, FISTS Summer CW Sprint, SKCC Weekend CW Sprintathon and the CQC Great Colorado CW Gold Rush should keep contesters busy this upcoming weekend. Please see page 80 in the July 2013 issue of QST and the ARRL and WA7BNM Contest web sites for details.
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21372. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-07-12 14:01:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21372

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:Issued: 2013 Jul 12 1153 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30712
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 12 Jul 2013, 1107UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 12 Jul 2013 until 14 Jul 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Minor storm expected (A>=30 or K=5)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 12 Jul 2013 10CM FLUX: 110 / AP: 011
PREDICTIONS FOR 13 Jul 2013 10CM FLUX: 106 / AP: 038
PREDICTIONS FOR 14 Jul 2013 10CM FLUX: 106 / AP: 017
COMMENT:During the last 24 hours three C-class flares originated from Catania
sunspot group 24 (NOAA AR 1785). Further C-class flaring activity is likely
from this region. No Earth effective CMEs were observed during this
period. Current geomagnetic conditions are quiet to unsettled (K=1 to 3).
Geomagnetic storm levels (K=5 to maximally 6) can be reached from tomorrow
on due to the arrival (expected around 13h UT on the 13th) of the CME that
erupted on the 9th.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 050, BASED ON 13 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 11 Jul 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 102
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 113
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 030
AK WINGST : 021
ESTIMATED AP : 024
ESTIMATED ISN : 052, BASED ON 23 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21373. Flying Horse Summer 2013 Call Book

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-07-12 14:52:02 UTC
From: GOLIST
Topic: 21373 Message: 21373
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

*Taking orders for the RAC Flying Horse Summer 2013 Call Book CD
including a FREE thumb drive. Order online, pay with PayPal at
http://shop.golist.net/index.php*

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21374. 425 DX News - #1158

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-07-12 17:35:46 UTC
From: r_brothers
Topic: 21374 Message: 21374

13 July 2013 A.R.I. DX Bulletin
No 1158
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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** DX INFORMATION ****
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Edited by I1JQJ & IK1ADH
Direttore Responsabile I2VGW

4U1ITU - Ed, N4II will be active from the 4U1ITU International Amateur Radio Club station on 17 July (06.00-08.30 UTC and 16.00-18.00 UTC), 18 July (15.00-18.00 UTC) and 19 July (06.00-18.00 UTC). QSL via 4U1ITU, direct or bureau. [TNX The Daily DX]
4X - Celebrating the 19th Maccabiah Games, Isaac, 4Z1TL will be active as 4X19MG on 18-30 July. QSL via home call.
9A - Bjoern, HB9DTV will be active holiday style as 9A/HB9DTV from Pag Island (EU-170) on 13-19 July. He will be QRV on the HF bands SSB. QSL via home call, bureau preferred. [TNX rsgbiota.org]
9A - Kary, HA9MDN will be active as 9A/HA9MDN from Vir Island (EU-170) from 26 July to 2 August. He will operate SSB (including and entry in the IOTA Contest), RTTY and SSTV. QSL via home call (bureau preferred) and eQSL. [TNX NG3K]
9A - IK6JNH, IK6VXO and IZ6TSA will be active as 9A8DV from Drvenik Veli (EU-016) for the IOTA Contest. Before and after the contest they will be QRV on all bands, also on RTTY. QSL via IK6VXO. [TNX IK6VXO]
BY - A large group of operators (BA4MY, BD4KA, BD4KM, BD4KW, BD4OJ, BD4TS, BD6NN, BG3MKT, BG4NRU, BH4IGO and BH4SQE) from Marconi Radio Club BY4IB will be active as BY4IB/4 from Jiming Island (AS-146) on 21-28 July, IOTA Contest included. They will run two stations on all bands SSB, CW and RTTY. Log search on Club Log. QSL via BD4KM. [TNX rsgbiota.org]
EI - Alain, F5LMJ will be active as EI/F5LMJ/p from Ireland (EU-115) from 20 July to 3 August. Until 27 July he will be QRV from Lough Caragh, Kerry (IO52bb) and then from Calry, Sligo (IO54tg). QSL via home call. [TNX F5LMJ]
HR - According to the latest information published on qrz.com, the HQ8D operation from Vivorillos Bank (NA-223) [425DXN 1155] might now take place on either 14-20 or 21-27 July. Two stations are expected to be active on CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via KD4POJ.
I - ARI HQ stations have dropped the final "Q" in their previously announced callsigns. During this weekend's IARU HF World Championship look for IO1H (40 and 80m CW, 20m SSB), IO4H (160m CW and SSB, 40m SSB, 80m SSB), IO5H (20m CW), IO8H (15m SSB) and IO9H (10m CW and SSB, 15m CW). QSL via bureau.

KL - Tim, NL8F is the only full time resident amateur radio operator on
Unalaska Island (NA-059). Tim is now active as KL7RRC throughout
July, to celebrate the 20th anniversary of the Russian Robinson
Club. QSL via N7RO.
LA - Look for Rene, LA/DL2JRM and Daniel, LA/DL5SE to be QRV on 80-10
metres CW and SSB from the Hvaler Islands (EU-061) on 20-21 July.
QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. [TNX rsgbiota.org]
OJ0 - Weather permitting, SM0W, SM6U and SM0CXU will be active as OJ0R
from Market Reef (EU-053) on 25-29 July, including an entry in the
IOTA Contest. QSL via G3TXF. [TNX NG3K]
OX - OX2DX is the callsign issued to WW2DX, W2RE and N2IEN for their
11-15 activity from Greenland [425DXN 1157]. QSL via LoTW, paper
cards via WW2DX. [TNX NG3K]
PY - PU1MMZ, PU1SET, PY1CPF, PY1KR and PY1MT will participate in the
IOTA Contest as ZV1M from Ilha Grande (SA-029). QSL via PY1MT,
direct or bureau. [TNX rsgbiota.org]
UA - According to the updated schedule on http://robinsons.ru, planned
expeditions under the Russian Robinson Club's 20th anniversary
special callsign now include:
23-27 July R20RRC/0 Shikotan Island (AS-062)
24-27 July R20RRC/1 Morzhovets Island (EU-119)
27-28 July R20RRC/1 Glov Island (EU-162)
29 July-25 August R20RRC/1 Olenevskij Island (RR-02-74)
9-14 August R20RRC/8 Zhuravlinyy Island (AS-109)
R20RRC/1 from EU-162 will participate in the IOTA Contest. QSL via
RZ3EC.
VE - VA7NX, VE7CRT and VE7GM will participate in the IOTA Contest from
Bowen Island (NA-091). They will operate CW and SSB using the
White Rock Amateur Radio Club's callsign VE7DB. QSL via VA7NX,
direct or bureau, and eQSL. [TNX rsgbiota.org]
W - Planned activities for Bodo, KT3Q (DF8DX) include operations from
IOTA groups NA-144 (19-20 July, as KT3Q/6 along with W6PST),
NA-143 (26-27 July, as KT3Q/5) and NA-092 (27-29 July, IOTA
Contest included, as KT3Q/5). QSL via DF8DX, direct or bureau.
ZS - Gert, ZS6AYU will be active again as C91GR from Mozambique on
19-23 July. He will operate holiday style on 40-10 metres CW only.
QSL via ZS6AYU, direct or bureau. [TNX NG3K]

IARU HF WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP ---> The objective of the contest is to contact
as many other amateurs, especially IARU member society HQ stations,
around the world as possible using the 160, 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10m bands.
This year's event (rules can be found at www.arrl.org/iaru-hf-championship)
will run from 12 UTC on 13 July until 12 UTC on the 14th. The following IARU
Member Society HQ stations are expected to participate:
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4K7Z Azerbaijan FRS
7X2HQ Algeria ARA
8N1HQ Japan JARL
8N4HQ Japan JARL

8N8HQ Japan JARL
9A28HQ Croatia HRS
CX1AA Uruguay RCU
DA0HQ Germany DARC
E7HQ Bosnia Hercegovina ARABiH
EF1HQ Spain URE
EF2HQ Spain URE
EF5HQ Spain URE
EF7HQ Spain URE
EM5HQ Ukraine UARL
ET3AA Ethiopia EARS
GR2HQ various RSGB
HB0HQ Liechtenstein AFVL
HB9HQ Switzerland USKA
HG0HQ Hungary MRASZ
HK3LR Colombia LCRA
HL0HQ Korea KARL
HQ2W Honduras RCH
HS0AC Thailand RAST
IO1H Italy ARI
IO4H Italy ARI
IO5H Italy ARI
IO8H Italy ARI
IO9H Italy ARI
LR0D Argentina RCA
LR0F Argentina RCA
LR0H Argentina RCA
LR1D Argentina RCA
LR2H Argentina RCA
LY0HQ Lithuania LRMD
NU1AW/3 USA IARU
OE1A Austria OVSV
OH2HQ Finland SRAL
OL3HQ Czech Rep CRC
OP0HQ Belgium UBA
OZ1HQ Denmark EDR
PA6HQ Netherlands VERON
SK9HQ Sweden SSA
SN0HQ Poland PZK
SU1SK Egypt ERASD
SX0HQ Greece RAAG
T49C Cuba FRC
TM0HQ France REF
VA3RAC Canada RAC
VK3WIA Australia WIA
W1AW/4 USA ARRL
XE1LM Mexico FMRE
XR3HQ Chile RCCH
XV4Y Vietnam VARC
YR0HQ Romania FRR

YT0HQ Serbia SRS
Z30HQ Macedonia RSM
ZF1A Cayman Isls CARS
ZL6HQ New Zealand NZART
ZW2HQ Brazil LABRE
An up-to-date listing of announced HQ stations and IARU officials can be found at http://www.dailydx.com/iaru-13.htm. Good luck to you all!

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CQ WW DX CONTEST ---> The rules have been completely rewritten for 2013 and can be found at www.cqww.com/rules.htm - read carefully!

K6VVA/KL7 ---> Rick announced he was making an attempt (the third one!) at operating from Barter Island (NA-050) on 8-10 July [425DXN 1157]. However, "due to increased unexpected solar disturbances, Auroral Oval, potential NA-050 fog and now the likelihood of departure delays and missed connections due to the re-routing of many plane flights down to the San Jose Airport resulting from the unfortunate plane crash at nearby SFO airport, this trip is being postponed again. Plans are to re-schedule a fourth attempt at NA-050 in the next 45 days, but I will only make a posting just before boarding the first plane". [TNX K6VVA]

P5 PROJECT ---> The BBC has interviewed Paul Ewing, N6PSE regarding the efforts of the Intrepid DX Group to operate from DPRK (North Korea): https://soundcloud.com/bbc-world-service/ham-radio-in-north-korea [G3UML]

WRTC2014 STATION TEST ---> The WRTC2014 Organizing Committee will be conducting the final capability and training test for the WRTC stations and volunteers during this weekends' IARU HF World Championship. Twenty-five stations (AA3K, AD1T, AK1W, K1BG, K1GQ, K1RX, K1ZD, K6ND, K9ES, KE1J, N1JD, N1SV, N2NT, N3AD, NB1N, NI1L, NJ1F, W1CLA, W1EQ, W1HH, W1MA, W1SJ, W1UE, W1UJ, WB1Z) will be active in the contest on 80, 40, 20, 15, and 10 metres CW and SSB. Awards will be offered for working the WRTC test stations, see http://www.wrtc2014.org/competition/2013-station-test/.
In order to make sure all of the competitor stations are equal, the WRTC2014 organizers will compare the signals of the test stations by using the Reverse Beacon Network. All of the 25 stations will be on CW on certain bands and times with their beams in a specific direction: the schedule is at http://www.wrtc2014.org/station-test-schedule-for-signal-testing/

Z80ID ---> This special callsign was used on 9 July by Massimo, Z81B and Diya, Z81D to celebrate the Republic of South Sudan's Independence Day. QSL via OM3JW. A special QSL card will be printed. [TNX ON5NT]

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CALL MANAGER CALL MANAGER CALL MANAGER
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2V0IJK M0OXO GV4BKG GW4BKG R20RRC/0 RZ3EC
3Z3P SQ9PPO H44IND NR6M R400T RA3UAG
3Z80LOT SP1KRF H44PA VK1AI R44WFF RA3AKF
4M1F YV1JGT H70ORO TI4SU RA27NW RW4NW
4M5IR YV5KG HA150GG HA6FQ RI1ANU ZS1OIN
4S7NZG NZ9Z HC/IZ1DPS IK2DUW RK9SC RW6HS
5B4ALB RT9T HC5EG EA5GL RO70PS RW3EW
5B4PRC 5B4AHO HF19BSC SQ6DGB RT27KU RU4PG
5C5C 6K5YPD HF450NS SP3KEY SE2R SM2OAN
5T0JL ON8RA HF80LOT SP1PMY SG0U SM3CXS
5W1SA JA1DXA HG5FIRAC HA5BSW SJ0SOP SM0IMJ
6K0HG DS2CYI HG7DANUBE HA7VY SJ1SOP SM1TDE
6V7S RK4FF HH5/KC0W KC0W SJ3SOP SA3BYC
7P8CC EI7CC HP1CQ EA7FTR SJ5SOP SM5DJZ
9A20RRC RZ3EC HS0ZID WX8C SJ7SOP SM7VRZ
9A282AA 9A2AA HS0ZKX W2EN SN100ZHPZ SP9PGM
9A283B 9A1AA IL3V I3BQC SN150PS SP5KOG
9A283XV 9A3JB J79GV KK4GV SN80AAG SO1AAG
9A286B 9A1CBA JY9ET M0OXO SN80FMW SP1FMW
9A288DX 9A3JB KG4RX K4RX SN80JJY SP1JJY
9A9DX N2RIT KG4TO AC4TO SN80KTR SQ1KTR
9K2/SP4R SP7DQR KL7RRC N7RO SN80LOT SP1PNW
9X0EME PE1L LX/OO6P ON6ZV SN80MNK SQ1MNK
9X0HP PE1L LY55SOP LY5W SN80PRK SQ1PRK
A71CM NI5DX LY80B LY3Q SN80SNU SQ1SNU
AP2NK W3HNK LY80DG LY1RMD ST2SF K0YAK
C92IO ZS6HB LY80E LY3NX SV54FF SV2GWY
CE2WZ W3HNK LY80G LY2GV SV70FF SV2GWY
CN8LI EA7FTR LY80H LY1H SW8YA HA1YA
CO2HQ NR6M LY80K LY1K SX8AEG SV8MQP
CO6CAC PY4WAS LY80L LY5A SY8APQ PY2DY
CO6LE EA5GL LY80M LY2MM TZ6BB W3HNK
CP1XRM EA5RM LY80N LY2KM UE10RFF RG5G
D2CT CT2HPM LY80Q LY4Q UE70KD RK3WWA
DU9/JA1PBV JA1PBV LY80S LY4TB UP44WFF UN6QC
E718S 9A3JB LY80T LY2QT V44KAI W5TFW
EA8DBM RC5A LY80U LY5O V47JA W5JON
EA9KB EA7FTR LY80X LY3X VP2EAF W5SQK
EG1ETG EA1RCI LY80Y LY3BY VP2ETE W3HNK
EG3MFM EA3KN LY80Z LY8O XR3PN CE3OEV
EG5DNC EA5RKB LZ20RRC RZ3EC XR77RG CE4RG
EG8SFP EA8URV LZ20TRC LZ1YE YD1DDB RW6HS

EI8GQB PA3249 MC0NSC GW0VSW YN2RP NN3RP
EL2DT EL2FM MV0GHM MM0GHM YU7XX VK2DX
EM0ITU UT3UZ MV3YLX 2D0YLX YU88BPQ YU7BPQ
EM44U UT7UT MV6GTY MI6GTY YW2LV YV5YMA
EN1025UB UR5UB OH0/OH2FTX RV1AE YW5DX W4SO
EO73U UT7UU OH0/OH8WA RA1AGL YW5T YV5JBI
ER4DX RA4LW OJ0V ON4CCP YW5W EA5KB
ES9EFF ES4RX OL1150CM OK2KYD Z80ID OM3JW
ET3AA N2OO OL863CM OK2KYD Z81B IZ0EGA
EW6DX EB7DX OU2W OZ1ETA ZF2AH W6VNR
FO/UT6UD UT6UD OZ30EU OZ8IE ZF2LC W2SM
FP/KV1J KV1J PA6XX PF0R ZS8Z ZS1HF
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Average daily sunspot numbers over the past week rose over 23 points to 109.4, compared to the previous reporting week. Average daily solar flux was up nearly 21 points to 127.9. Two days, July 6 and July 10, had the most geomagnetic activity, with a planetary A index of 25 on July 10. Planetary A index on July 6 was 21.

The forecast issued on July 7 had a predicted solar flux of 145 on July 11 and 12, and 150 on July 13 to 15, but alas, this has been scaled back. The latest forecast calls for solar flux at 110 on July 12 to 14, then 105, 110, 115 and 120 on July 15 to 18, 125 on July 19 and 20, then 120, 110 and 105 on July 21 to 23, 100 on July 24 and 25, 105 on July 26, 110 on July 27 and 28, then 120, 125 and 130 on July 29 to 31.

Predicted planetary A index is 8, 15, 25, 12, 8 and 10 on July 12 to 17, then 15 on July 18 to 21, 8 on July 22, 5 on July 23 to August 3, and 10 on August 4 and 5.

OK1HH of the Czech Propagation Interest Group has his own geomagnetic forecast, and he foresees a mostly quiet geomagnetic field on July 12, active to disturbed on July 13, quiet to active July 14, quiet July 15, mostly quiet July 16, quiet to unsettled July 17, quiet to active July 18, quiet to unsettled July 19, active to disturbed July 20, quiet to active July 21, quiet to unsettled July 22, quiet July 23 and 24, quiet to unsettled July 25, quiet to active July 26, quiet to unsettled July 27 and 28, quiet July 29 to 31, mostly quiet August 1, quiet to active August 2, active to disturbed August 3, quiet August 4 and 5, and active to disturbed again on August 6 and 7.

Carl Luetzelschwab, K9LA is now hosting the installation file for the W6ELprop Propagation Prediction Program, which is free, and runs on computers running the Windows operating system. The file disappeared from the W6EL web page, and now you can find it by going

to http://k9la.us/ and clicking on Tutorials on the left side. The file is W6ELPropInst270.exe.

Ted Leaf, K6HI sent a link to an article about a large sunspot group, http://earthsky.org/space/large-sunspot-group-comes-into-view. The article says activity in the Sun's southern hemisphere is finally picking up. It goes on to claim that this could be an indication of a double sunspot peak, with a second peak emerging as late as early 2014. I would love to see our Sun peppered with energetic spots. Unfortunately in this cycle, when they do emerge they tend to be weak, evidence of the overall listless nature of this cycle.

K9LA talks about a second peak in his article from May 2013 at http://k9la.us/Will_Cycle_24_Have_a_Second_Peak.pdf .

Several articles this week of interest to sun watchers:

http://phys.org/news/2013-07-space-weather-table-effective-video.html

http://www.skyandtelescope.com/observing/highlights/Now-Playing-A-Huge-Sunspot-Group-214525531.html

http://www.aninews.in/newsdetail14/story119902/when-and-where-sunspots-will-emerge-can-be-predicted-1-day-in-advance.html

http://phys.org/news/2013-07-scientists-solar-precursors-sunspots-emerge.html

The ON4AA site, not mentioned here in some time:

http://www.stroobandt.com/propagation/software.html

>From N0NBH:

http://www.hamqsl.com/solar3.html

A real-time 160 meter propagation tool:

http://solar.spacew.com/www/160pred.html

Sorry, no reports from readers this week.

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service at http://arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals. For an explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin, see http://arrl.org/the-sun-the-earth-the-ionosphere. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at http://arrl.org/w1aw-bulletins-archive-propagation. More good information and tutorials on propagation are at http://k9la.us/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://arrl.org/propagation.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of ARRL bulletins are at http://arrl.org/bulletins.

Sunspot numbers for July 4 through 10 were 109, 113, 115, 112, 143, 98, and 76, with a mean of 109.4. 10.7 cm flux was 137.7, 140.8, 134.2, 125.6, 119.3, 119.9, and 117.9, with a mean of 127.9. Estimated planetary A indices were 5, 9, 21, 8, 6, 9, and 25, with a mean of 11.9. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 4, 10, 20, 7, 7, 8, and 20, with a mean of 10.9.
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21377. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-07-13 14:01:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21377

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:Issued: 2013 Jul 13 1209 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30713
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 13 Jul 2013, 1207UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 13 Jul 2013 until 15 Jul 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 13 Jul 2013 10CM FLUX: 115 / AP: 017
PREDICTIONS FOR 14 Jul 2013 10CM FLUX: 110 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 15 Jul 2013 10CM FLUX: 100 / AP: 007
COMMENT:Solar activity was low during the past 24 hours, with only C class flares
reported. The strongest event, a C3.5 flare, took place in NOAA AR 1785 on
July 12, 1733 UT (peak time). It was accompanied by a very faint CME
observed by LASCO C2. Due to the position of the source region, and with
the information currently available, this event does not seem to be
geoffective. C flares are possible in the next 48 hours, in particular
from NOAA AR 1785, 1787 and 1791, and we therefore foresee eruptive
conditions. We expect mostly quiet to unsettled conditions for the next 48
hours in terms of geomagnetic activity. ACE observations show that the
Earth is currently within a magnetic cloud, probably associated with the
halo CME of July 9th. The first hint of its arrival was detected on July
12th, a bit after 1600 UT, with moderate negative excursions of the Bz
component of the interplanetary magnetic field.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 021, BASED ON 08 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 12 Jul 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 087
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 118
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 019
AK WINGST : 011
ESTIMATED AP : 010
ESTIMATED ISN : 048, BASED ON 19 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21378. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-07-14 14:01:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21378

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:Issued: 2013 Jul 14 1213 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30714
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 14 Jul 2013, 1207UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 14 Jul 2013 until 16 Jul 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 14 Jul 2013 10CM FLUX: 118 / AP: 013
PREDICTIONS FOR 15 Jul 2013 10CM FLUX: 120 / AP: 003
PREDICTIONS FOR 16 Jul 2013 10CM FLUX: 125 / AP: 003
COMMENT:Solar activity was very low in the past 24 hours, with the X-ray curve
observed by GOES at B-class level. There was a small CME observed at 11h00
UT on the 13th in LASCO/C2, propagating in the southeast direction with an
estimated speed of 290 km/s. Based on the available information, it is
expected not to be geo-effective. C-class flaring activity is expected
during the next 48 hours. Geomagnetic conditions are quiet to unsettled and
are expected to remain so for the next 48 hours.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 039, BASED ON 16 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 13 Jul 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 114
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 018
AK WINGST : 014
ESTIMATED AP : 013
ESTIMATED ISN : 021, BASED ON 13 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21379. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-07-15 14:01:03 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21379

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:Issued: 2013 Jul 15 1253 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30715
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 15 Jul 2013, 1207UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 15 Jul 2013 until 17 Jul 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 15 Jul 2013 10CM FLUX: 119 / AP: 019
PREDICTIONS FOR 16 Jul 2013 10CM FLUX: 117 / AP: 009
PREDICTIONS FOR 17 Jul 2013 10CM FLUX: 115 / AP: 008
COMMENT:Six sunspot groups were reported by Catania today, and non of them was
particularly active. Strongest flare among five C-class flares reported
during last 24 hours flare was C3.6 flare, peaking at 10:55 UT on July 15.
The flare originated from the Catania sunspot group 30 (NOAA AR 1791). We
expect C-class flares and possibly, but not probably, also M-class flares.
The interplanetary magnetic field magnitude is about 6 nT, and the solar
wind speed is 400 km/s. The extended low-latitude coronal hole in the
northern hemisphere is passing the central meridian. The arrival of the
fast solar wind at the Earth is expected on July 18. The arrival of the CME
from July 13, although not probable, is expected early on July 18. We
expect quiet to unsettled geomagnetic conditions during following 48 hours.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 050, BASED ON 20 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 14 Jul 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 113
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 038
AK WINGST : 028
ESTIMATED AP : 027
ESTIMATED ISN : 041, BASED ON 28 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21380. IRCS FOR SALE

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-07-15 19:05:19 UTC
From: K1XN
Topic: 21380 Message: 21380

Current IRCs For Sale.
$1.35 each postage paid mailing to you (USA ONLY)
10 IRCs Minimum order please
Email me for availability.
golist@...

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John K1XN / WT4DX
The Golist
WTDXA
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GoWin Qsl Manager Search Program
WIN EQF* Logging Software
Flying Horse Call Book CD
golist@...
Twitter @golist

Support the Wounded Warriors Project

21381. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-07-16 14:01:03 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21381

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:Issued: 2013 Jul 16 1249 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30716
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 16 Jul 2013, 1207UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 16 Jul 2013 until 18 Jul 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 16 Jul 2013 10CM FLUX: 114 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 17 Jul 2013 10CM FLUX: 115 / AP: 006
PREDICTIONS FOR 18 Jul 2013 10CM FLUX: 116 / AP: 013
COMMENT:The flaring activity during past 24 hours was of the low C-class level.
Most of the C-class flares originated from the Catania sunspot group 30
(NOAA AR 1791) which currently has beta-gamma-delta configurations of its
photospheric magnetic field, and a significant potential to produce more
C-class flares and possibly also M-class flare. The flaring activity is
also expected from NOAA AR 1793 situated close to the east solar limb. The
Earth is currently inside a slow solar wind flow with the speed of about
370 km/s. The interplanetary magnetic field is stable with the magnitude of
about 4 nT. The arrival of the fast flow, from the low-latitude coronal
hole in the northern hemisphere which reached the central meridian
yesterday, is expected on July 18. The geomagnetic conditions are quiet and
expected to remain so in the following hours.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 051, BASED ON 13 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 15 Jul 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 114
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 017
AK WINGST : 021
ESTIMATED AP : 026
ESTIMATED ISN : 050, BASED ON 24 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21382. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-07-17 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21382

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:Issued: 2013 Jul 17 1303 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30717
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 17 Jul 2013, 1307UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 17 Jul 2013 until 19 Jul 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Active conditions expected (A>=20 or K=4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 17 Jul 2013 10CM FLUX: 114 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 18 Jul 2013 10CM FLUX: 113 / AP: 019
PREDICTIONS FOR 19 Jul 2013 10CM FLUX: 113 / AP: 012
COMMENT:Solar activity is still low, with only few C-class flare reported during
last 24 hours. The Catania sunspot group 30 (NOAA AR 1791) and NOAA AR 1793
still have potential to produce C-class, and possibly M-class flares. The
CACTUS software reported the CME, first seen in the SOHO/LASCO C2 field of
view at 03:48 UT on July 16, with the speed of about 400 km/s and width of
120 degrees. From the currently available data it seems that the bulk of
the CME mass is directed northward of the Sun-Earth line. The arrival of
the CME at the Earth is not very probable, but we do expect arrival of the
CME driven shock wave. The Earth is inside a slow solar wind with the
speed of 350 km/s. The interplanetary magnetic field magnitude is about 4
nT. The arrival of the fast flow from the low-latitude coronal hole in the
northern hemisphere which reached the central meridian on July 16 is
expected on July 18. The CME driven shock wave associated with the CME on
July 16, might arrive at the Earth on July 20. We expect minor to major
geomagnetic disturbance due to arrival of the fast flow in the following 48
hours.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 054, BASED ON 13 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 16 Jul 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 114
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 010
AK WINGST : 006
ESTIMATED AP : 005
ESTIMATED ISN : 050, BASED ON 18 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21383. European type envelope for QSLs

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-07-17 20:41:19 UTC
From: cq_dx_de_aa0aa
Topic: 21383 Message: 21383

Hi all,
JJ8DEN is asking for a SASE "European type envelope" for his QSL of FOR/KH0PR. I searched and found a lot of different sizes, just for envelopes in the U.S.

Any suggestions on the correct size when this is requested? Should one just assume that a particular size is required when requesting a QSL from a European station?

Thanks and 73,
Scott AA0AA

21384. Re: [DX-IS] European type envelope for QSLs

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-07-17 21:03:56 UTC
From: Axel Schernikau, DL6KVA
Topic: 21383 Message: 21384

Hello Scott,

I guess C6 (to put an A6 letter / card inside) is what he's requesting:

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Envelope

Probably his QSL is the bigger european standard messures.

73 & gl,

Axel, DL6KVA

Am 17.07.2013 20:41, schrieb cq_dx_de_aa0aa:
> Hi all,
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> Thanks and 73,
> Scott AA0AA
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21385. Fwd: Re: [DX-IS] European type envelope for QSLs

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-07-17 21:12:17 UTC
From: w4fc@...
Topic: 21385 Message: 21385

-----Original Message-----From: w4fc <w4fc@...>To: cq_dx_de_aa0aa <cq_dx_de_aa0aa@...>Sent: Wed, Jul 17, 2013 5:03 pmSubject: Re: [DX-IS] European type envelope for QSLs

-----Original Message-----
From: cq_dx_de_aa0aa <cq_dx_de_aa0aa@...>
To: DX-IS <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Wed, Jul 17, 2013 4:41 pm
Subject: [DX-IS] European type envelope for QSLs

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Hi all,
JJ8DEN is asking for a SASE "European type envelope" for his QSL of FOR/KH0PR. I searched and found a lot of different sizes, just for envelopes in the U.S.

Any suggestions on the correct size when this is requested? Should one just assume that a particular size is required when requesting a QSL from a European station?

Thanks and 73,
Scott AA0AA

21386. european envelopes

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-07-17 21:17:34 UTC
From: w4fc@...
Topic: 21386 Message: 21386

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21387. Re: European type envelope for QSLs

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-07-17 21:28:14 UTC
From: n5sjs
Topic: 21383 Message: 21387

Scott,
Check out W4MPY's site for European envelopes and cover envelopes.
73,David

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "cq_dx_de_aa0aa" <cq_dx_de_aa0aa@...> wrote:
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>
> Any suggestions on the correct size when this is requested? Should one just assume that a particular size is required when requesting a QSL from a European station?
>
> Thanks and 73,
> Scott AA0AA
>

21388. Re: [DX-IS] European type envelope for QSLs

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-07-17 22:25:36 UTC
From: dale cole
Topic: 21383 Message: 21388

Scott;
I always send euro envelopes for just this case. I have some; send me your address and I will be happy to send you a couple.
73's
Dale K8TS
dchamguy at att dot net

From: cq_dx_de_aa0aa <cq_dx_de_aa0aa@yahoo.com>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, July 17, 2013 4:41 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] European type envelope for QSLs

Hi all,
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Any suggestions on the correct size when this is requested? Should one just assume that a particular size is required when requesting a QSL from a European station?

Thanks and 73,
Scott AA0AA

21389. Re: [DX-IS] European type envelope for QSLs

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-07-17 22:34:17 UTC
From: dale cole
Topic: 21383 Message: 21389

BTW
I may even have the correct postage for the stamp you need for the "sase" or I have a source, in which you can buy one;
Dale K8TS

From: cq_dx_de_aa0aa <cq_dx_de_aa0aa@...>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, July 17, 2013 4:41 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] European type envelope for QSLs

Hi all,
JJ8DEN is asking for a SASE "European type envelope" for his QSL of FOR/KH0PR. I searched and found a lot of different sizes, just for envelopes in the U.S.

Any suggestions on the correct size when this is requested? Should one just assume that a particular size is required when requesting a QSL from a European station?

Thanks and 73,
Scott AA0AA

21390. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-07-18 14:01:04 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21390

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:Issued: 2013 Jul 18 1257 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30718
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 18 Jul 2013, 1207UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 18 Jul 2013 until 20 Jul 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Minor storm expected (A>=30 or K=5)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 18 Jul 2013 10CM FLUX: 112 / AP: 015
PREDICTIONS FOR 19 Jul 2013 10CM FLUX: 112 / AP: 044
PREDICTIONS FOR 20 Jul 2013 10CM FLUX: 113 / AP: 010
COMMENT:Solar activity is low. The last C-class flare reported was C1.6 flare,
peaking at 09:16 UT on July 17. The Catania sunspot group 30 (NOAA AR 1791)
and NOAA AR 1793 still have beta-gamma configuration of the photospheric
magnetic field, and therefore, also the potential to produce C-class and
possibly M-class flares. The newly arrived data showed that the CME from
July 16 will probably not arrive at the Earth since the bulk of the CME
mass was directed north-west of the Sun-Earth line. The interplanetary
magnetic field magnitude is about 5 nT. The solar wind speed is increasing,
and it is currently about 450 km/s. The observed increase of the solar wind
speed is probably due to the arrival of the fast flow associated with the
low-latitude coronal hole in the northern hemisphere which reached the
central meridian on July 16. We expect minor storm conditions with possibly
isolated intervals of major storm conditions in the following 48 hours.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 068, BASED ON 18 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 17 Jul 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 111
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 009
AK WINGST : 004
ESTIMATED AP : 004
ESTIMATED ISN : 054, BASED ON 21 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21391. ARLD029 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-07-18 22:48:23 UTC
From: jjreisert@...
Topic: 5276 Message: 21391

SB DX @ ARL $ARLD029
ARLD029 DX news

ZCZC AE29
QST de W1AW
DX Bulletin 29 ARLD029
>From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT July 18, 2013
To all radio amateurs

SB DX ARL ARLD029
ARLD029 DX news

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by NC1L, the OPDX Bulletin, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, DXNL, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

MONTENEGRO, 4O. Alex, UA3RF, and Nick, RK3RB will be QRV as 4O/home calls from July 21 to 24. Activity will be holiday style on the HF bands. QSL to home calls.

CYPRUS, 5B. Operators 5B4MF, 5B4ZN, 5B4AHE and 5B4AMF are QRV as home calls/p from Agios Georgios Island, IOTA AS-120, until July 21. Activity is primarily on 20 and 17 meters using SSB with two stations active simultaneously. This may include 30 meters using CW as well. QSL to home calls.

GHANA, 9G. Jeff, W7JVN is QRV as 9G5AC from Asamankese while on a 16-month missionary assignment. Activity is on 20 and 15 meters, using mostly SSB with some CW and PSK as his work permits. QSL via K7JH.

CHINA, BY. A number of members of the Marconi Radio Club in Weihai plan to be QRV as BY4IB/4 from Jiming Island, IOTA AS-146, from July 21 to 29. Activity will be on the HF bands using all modes. This includes being active in the upcoming IOTA contest with several stations. QSL via BY4IB.

MOZAMBIQUE, C9. Gert, ZS6AYU is QRV as C91GR from Bilene until July 23. Activity is holiday style on 40 to 10 meters using CW. QSL to home call.

ENGLAND, G. Special event station GB558VUL will be QRV beginning July 20 to September to commemorate the support effort behind getting the last Vulcan XH558 aircraft back into the air. QSL via bureau.

THAILAND, HS. Look for stations HS0AC, E2E, HS4AK, HS5AM and others to be QRV in the CQ World Wide VHF contest. QSL via operators' instructions.

JAPAN, JA. Special event station 8J1AKIBA is QRV until August 31 during the Akiba Daisuki festival being held in Tokyo's shopping district Akihabara. QSL via bureau.

SVALBARD, JW. Winfried, DL2GW is QRV as JW/DL2GW from Longyearbyen, IOTA EU-026, until July 23. Activity is on the HF bands. QSL to home call.

LITHUANIA, LY. Special event station LY55SOP is QRV until the end of July during the annual Sea of Peace activity. QSL via LY5W.

FERNANDO DE NORONHA, PY0F. Leo, PP1CZ will be QRV as PY0F/PP1CZ from July 25 to 30. Activity will be on the HF bands, primarily on the newer bands, using mostly CW and RTTY with some SSB. He may also try 160 meters. This includes being an entry in the upcoming RSGB IOTA contest. QSL via operator's instructions.

POLAND, SP. Special event station HF450NS is QRV from Nowa Sol until then end of 2013 in celebration of the city's 450 years of settlement and 270 years of city rights. QSL via SP3KEY.

CRETE, SV9. Gordon, MM0GOR plans to be QRV as SW9GG from July 23 to 30. Activity will be on the HF bands. This includes an entry in the upcoming RSGB IOTA contest. QSL to home call.

ASIATIC RUSSIA, UA0. Look for station R20RRC/0 to be QRV from Shikotan Island, IOTA AS-062, from July 20 to 27 during the celebration of the RRC's 20th anniversary. QSL via RZ3EC.

ROMANIA, YO. Members of the radio club in Miercurea-Ciuc are QRV with special event call sign YO1000LEANY during July to support the folk festival The Day of Thousand Szekely Girls. QSL via bureau.

ASCENSION ISLAND, ZD8. Bob, VP8LP is QRV as ZD8LP until August 5. Activity is on 40 to 10 meters using SSB and PSK. QSL to home call.

CAYMAN ISLANDS, ZF. Bill, W5SJ is QRV as ZF2EZ while on holiday. Activity is on the HF bands. He will also be active in the CQ World Wide VHF contest. QSL via W5JAY.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The CQ Worldwide VHF Contest, North American RTTY QSO Party, QRP CW Fox Hunt, NCCC RTTY Sprint, Russian Radio Team Championship, VK/Trans-Tasman Multi-Mode Contest, DMC RTTY Contest, Feld Hell Sprint and the RSGB Low Power CW Contest are all on tap for this upcoming weekend. The Run for the Bacon QRP CW Contest is scheduled for July 22. The SKCC CW Sprint and CWops Mini-CWT CW Test are scheduled for July 24. Please see page 80 in the July 2013 issue of QST and the ARRL and WA7BNM Contest web sites for details.
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21392. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-07-19 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21392

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:Issued: 2013 Jul 19 1316 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30719
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 19 Jul 2013, 1307UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 19 Jul 2013 until 21 Jul 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Minor storm expected (A>=30 or K=5)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 19 Jul 2013 10CM FLUX: 113 / AP: 023
PREDICTIONS FOR 20 Jul 2013 10CM FLUX: 115 / AP: 030
PREDICTIONS FOR 21 Jul 2013 10CM FLUX: 116 / AP: 015
COMMENT:Solar activity is still low with only two C-class flares reported during
last 24 hours. Both of them were C2.3 flares originating from the NOAA AR
1800 situated at the moment close to the east solar limb. NOAA AR 1793
still has beta-gamma configuration of the photospheric magnetic field, and
therefore, also the potential to produce C-class and possibly M-class
flares. The prominence eruption on the east solar limb at about 17:59 UT on
July 18 was associated with the CME first seen in the SOHO/LASCO C2 field
of view at 18:24 UT. The CME had angular width of 130 degrees and projected
speed of about 550 km/s, as reported by the CACTUS software. The CME might
be Earth directed, however this cannot be confirmed, due to the data gap in
STEREO observations. The Earth is inside the fast speed stream due to the
low-latitude coronal hole in the northern hemisphere. At the moment the
solar wind speed is 600 km/s and the interplanetary magnetic field (IMF) is
rather stable with the magnitude of about 5 nT. The arrival of the coronal
hole high speed stream resulted in active geomagnetic conditions (K = 4
reported by Dourbes, K = 5 reported by IZMIRAN and NOAA reported Kp=4) on
July 18 and early on July 19. We expect minor storm conditions.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 056, BASED ON 13 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 18 Jul 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 115
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 028
AK WINGST : 020
ESTIMATED AP : 018
ESTIMATED ISN : 071, BASED ON 23 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
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21393. 425 DX News - #1159

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**** DX INFORMATION ****
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3DA - Roger, ZS6RJ and others will be active as 3DA0ET from Swaziland on 18-27 November, including and M/2 entry in the CQ WW CW Contest. There will be three stations active on 160-6 metres CW and SSB, and a fourth station entirely dedicated to RTTY and PSK. Complete details will be given in due course, a website is currently under construction. [TNX ZS6RJ]
5B - Look for Tamer 5B4AHE/p, Pavlos 5B4AMF/p, Spyros 5B4MF/p and Philip 5B4ZN/p to be active with two stations from Agios Georgios Island (AS-120) from about 18 UTC on 19 July until around 3 UTC on the 21st. They plan to be QRV mainly on 20 and 17 metres SSB, with some QRS CW on 30 metres. QSL via home calls. "We will try to focus on DX stations needing AS-120 for an all-time new one", 5B4MF says. "If you work one of us please do not duplicate the QSO with another one of us!". [TNX 5B4AHJ]
9M6 - Steve, 9M6DXX will be active again as 9M8Z (OC-088) on 24-29 July, including an entry in the IOTA Contest. QSL via M0URX (OQRS preferred: http://m0urx.com/oqrs/). Logs will be uploaded to LoTW as soon as possible after the operation. [TNX 9M6DXX]
BV - A large multi-national team will participate in the IOTA Contest as BP0A from Peng Hu Island (AS-103). QSL to Amateur Radio Taipei, see http://www.art.org.tw/en/qsl_en.aspx for instructions.
C3 - Special callsign C37UN will be activated on 26-28 July to celebrate Andorra's 20th anniversary as a full member of the United Nations. QSL via C37URA, direct or bureau.
CN - Once again Richard, F8FGU will be active as CN2RN from the Middle Atlas range from 24 July to 20 August. He will operate SSB and CW on the HF bands. QSL via home call, bureau preferred. [TNX F8REF]
DL - Mike, DG5LAC will be active as DG5LAC/p from the island of Juist (EU-047) from 27 July to 9 August. He will be QRV on 40-10 metres SSB, with part time participation in the IOTA Contest. QSL via home call, bureau or direct, plus LoTW and eQSL. [TNX rsgbiota.org]
EA8 - Andrew, G7COD will be active as EA8/G7COD from Gran Canaria (AF-004, WWL IL27dt) on 9-31 August. He will operate SSB and CW on 30-6 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau, plus eQSL and LoTW. [TNX G7COD]
EI - The Papa Lima DX Group will participate in the IOTA Contest using

their brand new contest call, EJ1Y. The team (EI3KG, EI4GK, EI5GM, EI5JQ, EI7KD, EI9FBB, EI9KC, SP7IDX and SP9NWN) will be on Inishmore, Aran Islands (EU-009) on 23-29 July [425DXN 1153], and will still be QRV as EJ0PL outside the contest. QSL via EI5JQ. [TNX NG3K]
ES - Juri, ES5GP will be active as ES5GP/8 from Kihnu Island (EU-178) on 24-29 July, including and entry in the IOTA Contest. [TNX ES1QD]
G - G0FDZ, G0PZA, G0UKN, G0VJG, G7GLW and M0UAT will be active from St Mary's Island (EU-011) on 25-30 July. They will participate in the IOTA Contest as M8C (QSL via G4DFI). [TNX M0UAT]
GM - A team from the Cockenzie & Port Seton Amateur Radio Club will participate in the IOTA Contest as GM2T from the island of Tiree (EU-008). Before the contest they will be using MM0CPS/p. QSL via GM4UYZ. [TNX NG3K]
GM - Gordon, MM0GPZ will be active from the Orkeny Islands (EU-009) on 24-29 July. He will participate in the IOTA Contest as MM2N, outside the IOTA event he will operate holiday style. QSL via home call. [TNX rsgbiota.org]
GM - Graham, M6GCS will be active as MM6GCS/p from the Outer Hebrides (EU-010) on 24-31 July, including an entry in the IOTA Contest. QSL via M6GCS, direct or bureau. [TNX rsgbiota.org]
GM - Paul, M3KBU will be active as MM3KBU/p from the Outer Hebrides (EU-010) between 26 July and 2 August. He will participate in the IOTA Contest from South Uist. QSL via M3KBU, direct only. [TNX rsgbiota.org]
GM - Lanarkshire Contest Group's members GM0ELP and M0GBK will be active as MM3T from the Isle of Bute (EU-123) on 27-28 July for the IOTA Contest. QSL via eQSL only, as 'we do not have paper QSL cards' (but IOTA chasers will be able to claim credit online once the contest logs are uploaded to www.rsgbiota.org).
HR - Dan, HQ8D went QRT from Vivorillos Cay (NA-223) around 8 UTC on 18 July, after being QRV for some 48 hours. He will return to the island this coming week, for the last time. As always, his plans depend on the Honduran Navy's schedule. After NA-223, Dan expects to be QRV for the IOTA contest from NA-160 as HQ3W. QSL via KD4POJ. Bookmark http://hriotas.com/ for updates.
I - Look for Marco IV3/IZ3GNG and Joris IV3/IZ3QHA to be active from Grado Island (EU-130) on 20-21 July. They will operate SSB and digital modes on 40-6 metres. QSL via home calls. [TNX IZ3GNG]
I - ARI Verona DX Team's members Walter I3VJW, Silverio IK3IUL and Ampelio IK3JBP will participate in the IOTA Contest as II3VR/IV3 (CW and SSB) from the island of Santa Maria di Barbana (EU-130). For a few hours before and after the contest they will operate on 30, 17 and 12 metres. QSL via IQ3VO (e-mail requests for bureau cards can be sent to veronadxteam[@]ari.verona.it). [TNX I3VJW]
IS0 - Massimo, I0PNM will be active as IM0/I0PNM from San Pietro Island (EU-165) from 20 July to 20 August. He will be QRV on 20-10 metres SSB, RTTY and PSK31, and will participate in the IOTA Contest. QSL via home call (direct).
OH - Jari, OH1JO and Juha, OH1LEG will be active as OH1K from

Kaunissaari Island (EU-140) on 25-31 July, IOTA Contest included. They will be QRV on 80-6 metres SSB and digital modes, with 20m as the main band. QSL via OH1JO, direct or bureau.
ON - King Albert II of the Belgians will formally end his twenty-year reign on 21 July and leave monarchy to Prince Philippe. To celebrate this event, Belgian amateur radio operators may replace their ordinary ON prefix with OO (Oscar Oscar) from 21 July until 20 September. [TNX ON4CAS]
ON - Special event station OQ4CLM will be active from between 16 October and 15 November. The suffix stands for Canadian Liberation March, the annual event that celebrates the liberation of the Belgian town of Knokke on 1 November 1944. QSL via ON3AIM, direct or bureau. Further information on the activity and the relevant award can be found on qrz.com. [TNX ON4RO]
OY - Ulf, DL3UB will be active holiday style as OY/DL3UB from the Faroe Islands (EU-018) from 29 July to 9 August. He will operate mainly CW on 30, 17 and 12 metres. QSL via home call. [TNX NG3K]
OZ - Olaf, DL7CX will be active as OZ/DL7CX from Mors Island (EU-171) from 20 July to 1 August, including an entry in the IOTA Contest. QSL via home call. [TNX rsgbiota.org]
OZ - Olaf, DL4HG and Andy, DL7AT will be active as OZ0TX from Mando Island (EU-125) on 26-28 July, including an entry in the IOTA Contest. QSL via DL7AT. [TNX rsgbiota.org]
OZ - Look for OZ7BQ/p to be active from Fur Island (EU-171) on 26-29 July. QSL via home call (bureau preferred) and LoTW. [TNX rsgbiota.org]
OZ - Lars, OZ1IVA will be active holiday style from Laeso Island (EU-088) from 27 July to 4 August. Main activity will be during the IOTA Contest. QSL via bureau. [TNX rsgbiota.org]
PA - Ron, ON6CQ will participate the IOTA Contest as PA/ON6CQ from Schouwen-Duiveland (EU-146). QSL via home call (bureau preferred) and LoTW. [TNX ON4TO]
PA - Special callsign PA6SAIL will be active between 19 August and 10 September for the Sail de Ruyter, the annual gathering of historic ships in Vlissingen. Look for activity on the HF bands CW, SSB, PSK and RTTY, plus 6m and 2m. QSL via PA3GEO, direct or bureau. [TNX PA7XG]
PY - Celebrating the World Youth Day to be held in Rio de Janeiro, special event station ZX1WYD is active until 31 July on the HF bands CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL VIA PY1AA and LoTW.
SV - Rich, M5RIC will be active as SW8CC from the island of Zakynthos (EU-052) on 23-30 July. He will operate SSB and RTTY on 80-10 metres, and will participate in the IOTA Contest. QSL via home call (direct).
SV9 - Gordon, MM0GOR will be active as SW9GG from Crete (EU-015) on 23-30 July, including an entry in the IOTA Contest. QSL via home call, bureau preferred.
TN - The TN2MS expedition to the Republic of the Congo [425DXN 1157] has been rescheduled, and is now expected to take place on 12-24 October. Bookmark www.tn2ms.nl for further information and updates.

UA - Vasily R7AA, Alexei RN1ON, Igor UA3EDQ and Aliy UA6YW will be active as R20RRC/1 from the Morzhovets Islands (EU-119) [425DXN 1158] on 24-28 July. They will participate in the IOTA Contest as RT6A/1. A side trip to Sosnovets Island (EU-161) is planned for 25 July, if the weather is fine. QSL R20RRC/1 via RZ3EC, QSL RT6A/1 via R7AA. [TNX RN1ON]
UA - RA1ZZ/p, RA3AV/1, RK3AW/1, RW3QNZ/1, RZ1ZZ/p and UA1ZZ/p will be active from Glov Island (EU-162) on 24-29 July. They will participate in the IOTA Contest as R20RRC/1 [425DXN 1158]. [TNX NG3K]
UR - UR3GO, UR4QTP, UR8GX, US0GM, UT7GV, UV5QAW and UV5QQ will operate as homecall/p from the Kalanchakskiye Islands (EU-179) on 24-31 July, with activity during the IOTA Contest. [TNX UR5GDX]
V2 - Tim, VE6SH will be active as V29SH from Antigua (NA-100) from 26 July to 3 August. QSL via LoTW or direct to VE6SH.
VK - Miles, VK6MAB will be active holiday style as VK6MAB/p from Rottnest Island (OC-164) on 26-28 July. He will be QRV on 40, 20, 15 and 10 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX rsgbiota.org]
W - Jon, WB8YJF will be active again as WB8YJF/4 from Ocracoke Island (NA-067) on 21-28 July. He will operate mainly CW on 80-10 metres, and will participate in the IOTA Contest. QSL via home call. [TNX NG3K]
XE - Andrea, IZ2LSC will be active as XF3/IZ2LSC from Isla Mujeres (NA-045) on 24-31 July. Activity as XE3/IZ2LSC between 16 and 23 July is from mainland Mexico. He will operate CW (QRS), SSB and digital modes on 30-6 metres. QSL via EB7DX (direct) or IZ2LSC (bureau), and LoTW. Further information via Twitter (@iz2lsc) and at http://www.timpy.it/xf3/. [TNX IZ2LSC]
XW - Steve, 9M6DXX, and James, 9V1YC will be active as XW8XZ and XW1YC from Laos on 5-10 September. They will use two stations, with XW8XZ operating SSB and XW1YC operating mainly CW with some SSB. QSL XW8XZ via M0URX, QSL XW1YC via W5UE. [TNX 9M6DXX]
YO - YO4AR, YO4HAB, YO4HAI, YO5OHO, YO8AXP, YO8SGZ and YO8SS will be active as YP13S from Sacalinu Mare (EU-183) on 24-29 July. They will be QRV on 80-10 metres CW and SSB, including an entry in the IOTA Contest. QSL via YO8AXP (direct only). Logsearch and further information at www.amatoradio.ro [TNX YO5OHO]

SCANDINAVIA TOUR ---> Mec, SP7VC and Kasia, SQ7OYL will be travelling through northern Europe between 26 July and 27 August. Their first stop will be in Lithuania, followed by Latvia, Estonia, Finland, Norway, Sweden, Denmark and Germany. They plan to operate from several islands and locators on the HF bands, plus 50, 70, 144 MHz and microvawes. Tentative dates for island operations are:
30-31 July OH/SP7VC Orslandet EU-097
2 August OH/SP7VC Anttoora EU-173
3 August OH/SP7VC Borsskar EU-101
4 August OH/SP7VC Hailuoto EU-184
6-7 August LA/SP7VC Vardo EU-141

8-10 August LA/SP7VC Mageroya EU-044
11-15 August LA/SP7VC Loppa EU-044
16 August LA/SP7VC Senja EU-046
17-18 August LA/SP7VC Lofoten EU-076
19 August LA/SP7VC Hitra / Froya EU-036
20-21 August LA/SP7VC Vigra EU-056
22 August LA/SP7VC Gurskoy EU-079
23 August LA/SP7VC Stord EU-055
24 August SM/SP7VC Tjorn / Hono EU-043
25 August OZ/SP7VC Sjaelland EU-029
26 August OZ/SP7VC Fyn EU-172
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CLUB LOG OQRS AND BUREAU CARDS ---> Club Log is conducting a survey about bureau cards requested through its Online QSL Request System. At present, two important rules apply to all users who wish to use CL OQRS: (1) Bureau cards must be offered, and (2) No-one may charge for a bureau card in CL OQRS. Club Log is now considering allowing users to choose to charge for bureau cards, or choose not to offer bureau cards. Please complete the survey at https://cdxc.wufoo.eu/forms/bureau-cards-via-oqrs/ and let them know what you would prefer.

H44IOTA (OC-168) ---> This note was published on qrz.com on 16 July: "We regret to inform all those stations that made contact with us on OC-168, that a validation for this IOTA may not be possible due to computer hardware failure and human error. We are seeking your understanding while we do the best we can to retrive what is possible. In the meanwhile, please wait with sending cards".

QSL Z81X ---> Some 400 OQRS envelopes were mailed on 16 July and the rest will be completed within the next few days. Direct QSLing has also started and several hundred envelopes are mailed out daily. Turnaround times for both OQRS and direct are just a day or two. OQRS bureau cards will be answered only after this initial phase. Traditional direct cards should be sent to OH0XX: Olli Rissanen, Salmelankuja 14, FI-90940 Jaali, Finland. It is also reported that plans for the upcoming South Sudan CQWW and low-band operations remain on track and the operator roster will be finalized this month. [TNX OH2BH]

QSL VIA G3SWH ---> With immediate effect, Phil G3SWH is the new QSL manager for G0ORH, M3I and MM3I (which will be QRV from the Isle of Arran, EU-123, during the IOTA Contest). There are already pages with log searches on Phil's website (www.g3swh.org.uk). OQRS is preferred, but traditional mail or RSGB bureau will also work. [TNX G3SWH]

YASME SUPPORTS EQUIPMENT ACQUISITION FOR NEW ETHIOPIAN AMATEURS --->
Ethiopia came back on the air May 30, 2011 with the re-opening of the
Ethiopian Amateur Radio Society station ET3AA. To support the
re-establishment of amateur radio in Ethiopia, the Yasme Foundation
(www.yasme.org) made a grant to pay for the fees associated with the
license examination for 25 club members. Many were successful but under
Ethiopian regulations could not receive a license without proof of
ownership of an amateur radio station.
To further support amateur radio in Ethiopia, the Board of Directors is
pleased to announce that it has made an additional grant to be used to
purchase amateur radio transceivers for three club members so that they can
satisfy the requirements of the Ethiopian licensing process. The Board
acknowledges with appreciation the substantial efforts of Ken Claerbout,
K4ZW, in facilitating the acquisition of the equipment and mentoring the
EARS members, as shown here with club member Adula at the microphone during
the 2013 IARU HF Championship contest. [TNX W6SZN]

QSLs received direct or through managers: 3D2RX, 3D2XC, 3DA0VB, 4K9W,
5H1DX, 5H3VMB, 5N7M, 5N7Q, 5Q4B, 5R8VB, 5W0M, 5X1VB, 5X8C, 5Z4/UA4WHX,
7P8VB, 7P8ZM, 7Q7VB, 7T50ARA, 7Z1SJ, 8Q7DV, 8Q7EJ, 8Q7KP, 8Q7QX, 8R1AK,
9A17RBM, 9N7SZ, 9Z4M, A25RJ, A41KJ, A71AM, A73A, A92HK, AL7RT, AN7EUR,
BX5AA, C31KC, C50C, C5A, C6AGN, C6AGU, C98RF, CE3SX, CQ7OA (EU-040),
CT9/DL7JAN, CX1AA, CX6DZ, CY0/VE1AWW, D20VB, D60VB, D85C (OC-085),
DU1/R6AF/p (OC-090), E51FOC, EA9IB, EH7ITU, EK5KE, EL2DT, EP3SMH, ET3AA,
FJ/K5WE, FJ/N5WR, FO8WBB, FS/K9EL, FS/LY2IJ, FY/F5UII/p, GB75FOC, GT4FOC,
H40T, H70ORO, HC2/RC5A, HC3/DL5YWM (SA-034), HP1/S54ZZ, HR1AGC, J20VB,
J69DS, J69MV, J79WTA, J87GU, J88DR, J8DX, JD1BMH, JE8DVU/8 (AS-147),
JT1AA/3, JT1CO, JW7XM, JX5O, JX9JKA, JY4CI, K5N, K6VVA/KL7, KH2L, KL7NO,
LP5D, LT1F, LU1DMG (SA-055), LU7HF, LU8HH, LV6E, NP4A, OA6Q, OJ0R, OJ0UR,
P43A, PJ4/SP6AXW, PJ4/WI9WI, PJ4NX, PJ5/SP6IXF, PT0S, RZ0AF, S21XV, SE6Y,
ST2AR, ST2VB, SU8N (AF-109), SU9AF, SU9VB, SV2ASP/A, SV5/DJ7RJ, T46RRC,
T48RRC, T6MO, TA4AU, TG7/NC2N, TG9AHM, TK0INT (EU-100), TK1INT (EU-104),
TK2INT (EU-164), TK5JJ, TL0A, TN2T, TO7RJ, TX5K, TZ6BB, UA9FAR, V51AS,
V51VV, V85TL, V85XD, VK9CZ, VK9NT, VP2ETE, VP5/W5CW, VP53V, VP9/W6PH,
VR2XMT, VU7KV, VY0/VE3VID, XE1RBV, XR0Y, XX9THX, YB8P (OC-208), YS1/NO7B,
YV1FPT, Z2/UA4WHX, Z81X, ZB54FK, ZD7FT,ZD7VC, ZK3N.

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******* CALENDAR *******
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PERIOD CALL REF
till 20/07 KT3Q/6: NA-144 1158
till 20/07 LA/G3TTC: Lofoten (EU-076) 1151
till 20/07 SV8/SV1CEI: Kea Island (EU-067) 1157
till 20/07 ZF2WN: Cayman Islands (NA-016) 1157
till 21/07 5B4AHE/p and 5B4AMF/p: Agios Georgios (AS-120) 1159
till 21/07 5B4MF/p and 5B4ZN/p: Agios Georgios (AS-120) 1159
till 21/07 7S5A: Boko Island (EU-177) 1157
till 21/07 DG8HJ: Fehmarn Island (EU-128) 1156
till 21/07 SW8EA: Thassos Island (EU-174) 1155
till 21/07 ZP99E: special station 1153
till 22/07 FO/UT6UD: Rurutu (OC-050), Austral Islands 1156
till 23/07 C91GR: Mozambique 1158
till 23/07 HD082QRC: special callsign 1157
till 23/07 XE3/IZ2LSC: Mexico 1159
till 25/07 DL/ON4LO/p: Fehmarn Island (EU-128) 1157
till 25/07 HH5/KC0W: Haiti (NA-096) 1156
till 26/07 SW2UT: Greece 1157
till 30/07 4X19MG: special callsign 1158
till 30/07 5R8NE: Nosy-Be (AF-057) 1153
till 31/07 6M6M: Korea (6m special activity) 1154
till 31/07 EI8GQB and EI1A: Ireland (EU-115) 1157
till 31/07 KL7RRC: Unalaska Island (NA-059) 1158
till 31/07 SF2X/p: Ledskar Island (EU-135) 1156
till 31/07 SJ1SOP: special callsign (Gotland Island, EU-020) 1156
till 31/07 TC150RC: special callsign 1133
till 31/07 ZX1WYD: special event station 1159
till 03/08 CF3X: special callsign 1156
till 09/08 DU9/PA3GZU: Mindanao Island (OC-130) 1157
till 10/08 V47JA and V47HAM: St. Kitts (NA-104) 1143
till 12/08 EO15QRP. Special callsign 1157
till 13/08 PA1813A: special callsign 1157
till 30/09 SN150PS: special callsign 1157
till October T6MH: Afghanistan 1125
till November RU0ZM/0: Russian District KT-13 1155

till 15/12 C91GBA: Mozambique 1155
till 15/12 JW9JKA: Bear Island (EU-027) 1153
till 31/12 4A1TD: special callsign 1143
till 31/12 9A280-9A289: special prefixes (Croatia) 1156
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21395. ARLP029 Propagation de K7RA

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Topic: 5284 Message: 21395

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ARLP029 Propagation de K7RA

ZCZC AP29
QST de W1AW
Propagation Forecast Bulletin 29 ARLP029
>From Tad Cook, K7RA
Seattle, WA July 19, 2013
To all radio amateurs

SB PROP ARL ARLP029
ARLP029 Propagation de K7RA

Unsettled geomagnetic conditions continued this week, punctuated by periods of relative quiet. The most active days were July 14 and 15. The planetary A index was 20 and 25, and the mid-latitude A index was 15 and 33 on those dates. Of course Alaska's College A index was higher, at 58 and 34.

The A index is a daily value, and it is calculated from eight measurements per day (once every three hours) of the K index. The K index is a quasi logarithmic value based on magnetometer readings, so each one-point change represents a large difference. The K index is averaged into the daily A index, a linear scale. This gives a pretty good explanation:

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/K-index

Note the graph labeled "The relationship between K and A."

The planetary A index is based on the planetary K index, which is derived from readings at a network of geomagnetic observatories. The mid-latitude K and A index are from a single magnetometer at Fredericksburg, Virginia, near the intersection of Observatory Road and Magnetic Lane, inside the Fort A.P. Hill Army base, about 8 miles southeast of downtown Fredericksburg, Virginia.

You can sometimes find street names with appropriate references where magnetometers are located, for instance, Geophysical Observatory Road for the magnetometer at Newport, Washington, near 48.27 degrees north, 117.13 degrees west.

Over the past week, the average daily sunspot number declined nearly 33 points to 76.9, while average daily solar flux was down 14 points to 113.9. The average planetary A index barely moved, while the average mid-latitude A index rose two points to 12.9.

But yesterday (Thursday, July 18) the sunspot number jumped to 112, far above the average for the previous seven days.

The latest forecast shows solar flux at 120 on July 19, 125 on July 20 and 21, 120 on July 22 and 23, then 115, 110 and 105 on July 24 to 26, 110 on July 27 and 28, then 120, 125 and 130 on July 29 to 31, 135 on August 1 and 2, then 130, 125, 130 and 135 on August 3 to 6, 140 on August 7 and 8, 135 and 120 on August 9 and 10, 125 on August 11 and 12, 120 on August 13, and 125 again on August 14 to 16. It then declines to a minimum of 100 on August 20 and 21, before rising again.

Predicted planetary A index is 20 on July 19 and 20, 15 and 10 on July 21 and 22, 5 on July 23 to 25, then 30 and 10 on July 25 to 27, 5 on July 28 through August 3, 10 on August 4 and 5, 15 and 8 on August 6 and 7, 5 on August 8 to 12, 10 on August 13, and 15 on August 14 to 17.

Petr Kolman, OK1MGW sends a geomagnetic forecast from the Czech Propagation Interest Group. He says that a growing solar wind "may cause remarkable changes in the magnetosphere and ionosphere on July 19 to 22 and 25 to 28."

He predicts quiet to active geomagnetic conditions on July 19, active to disturbed July 20, quiet to active July 21, quiet to unsettled July 22, quiet July 23 and 24, quiet to unsettled July 25, quiet to active July 26 and 27, quiet to unsettled July 28, quiet July 29 to 31, quiet to unsettled August 1, quiet to active August 2, active to disturbed August 3, quiet August 4, mostly quiet August 5, active to disturbed August 6 and 7, and quiet to unsettled August 8 to 10.

At 2330 UTC on July 17 Australia's IPS Radio and Space Services sent a geomagnetic warning, predicting unsettled to active conditions July 18, active with minor storm periods July 19, and quiet to unsettled conditions July 20.

Just after last week's bulletin ARLP028 was issued, Bruce Smith, AC4G of Taft, Tennessee sent in this report: "Just wanted to report a 6 meter sporadic E opening on the morning of July 12 (finally) into EM65 from 0630 AM to 0830 AM CDT just after sun rise. Signals topped out at approximately S-5 with most QSOs made while receiving stations with S-2 signals. The following EU stations were worked or heard by this station during the time range given: EA1EJ, S57RR, G4RRA, CT1HZE, CT1FFU, CT1DIZ, EA5/G0CSC, CT1FJC, PA2M, and the special event station down in the Florida Keys, K4N (EL84). Glad to have made several EU QSOs on 6 meters for the first time this year with my moderate setup using a 5 element Yagi and 100 watts. Still looking for Africa, Asia, and the Pacific."

Keith Reedy, WA9DRO of Terre Haute, Indiana reports from last week, "One of my favorite bands is 12 meters. Not much joy on that band lately, just a few openings from time to time state side. However I

did hear an Israeli station on 24.964 MHz last Monday evening July 8 at about 8 PM local time. I am using a 3 element beam at about 35 feet. What does this mean, don't know, but, I hope more of the same."

David Moore sent a link to this Los Angeles Times article about the current weak solar cycle:

http://www.latimes.com/news/science/sciencenow/la-sci-sn-solar-cycle-in-100-years-20130711,0,6978639.story

The article presents an interesting observation about weak solar cycles in the early part of any century. Note they corrected a typo in the original article which confused astrology with astronomy. Oh my!

Elwood Downey, WB0OEW of Tucson, Arizona sent a similar article, about the weak peak:

http://www.space.com/21937-sun-solar-weather-peak-is-weak.html

Pat Hamel, W5THT of Long Beach, Mississippi wrote on July 15, in an email titled "Frustrating propagation modes", "The red lines on the maps show it was a super weekend for part of the country on six meters. I have spent part of today (until they packed up), Saturday, and Sunday listening on the K4N six-meter announced frequencies. I am too close to them. I kept getting what sounded like meteor pings.

This is one of the benefits (?) of living in the middle of the Gulf Coast. If the weather would have been foggy all the way across the gulf, I would have had a pipeline."

Perhaps he was referring to maps here:

http://www.dxmaps.com/spots/map.php

Or here:

http://aprs.mountainlake.k12.mn.us/

Jeff Hartley, N8II of Shepherdstown, West Virginia wrote on July 15: "E-skip has been down this year compared to normal, but at least the 6 meter Es openings are a bit more frequent with several multi-hop to the west and one to EU/Northern Africa along with another to EA8 only. 15 and 17 seem down quite a bit from June. It has been tough to work the county hunter mobiles on 17 quite often out in the upper Midwest and Montana/Wyoming/Colorado.

The IARU contest was about as expected with some fun to be had from big PVRC stations operating as NU1AW/3 (IARU HQ) and W1AW/4. I was at NU1AW/3 from N3HBX (signing the /3 was a pain over hundreds of times). But, it was a lot of fun being a multiplier for everyone.

40 opened fairly early to EU with some very strong signals from the big guns in EU and the little guys in the QRN. Northern Europe was weak and watery for the most part but we did log about 4 Asiatic Russians on the west edge in zone 30.

75 phone was pretty good to Europe with rather poor activity. The HQ stations from Chile and Argentina called in with decent signals. There was enough North American activity to keep us fairly busy thru 0500Z and the Yagi fixed at 300 degrees helped a lot with zone 6. Only one zone 2 (VE6) and one zone 3 (VE4) called in along with VA3RAC and several VE2's and 3's. Most signals were loud enough to be heard easily through the constant S9+ QRN.

20 was the "money band" with very good 1000+ QSO totals from us on phone and the usual 20 meter CW team from DX contests at W3LPL operating 2 interlocked radios picking off QSO's in between CQ's as we were doing as well. We had the usual good 20 meter opening around European Russia sunrise and after 0200-0400Z."

Steve Long, AC6T of Santa Barbara, California notes "As an occasional 6 meter fan, I have noticed this past 2 months that the Midwest, East Coast and even Pacific Northwest have enjoyed terrific multihop ES propagation all over the country. Also, frequent openings to Japan and Europe. I'm puzzled (not to mention disappointed) why my corner of DM04 (Santa Barbara) and Southern California in general have had so few decent openings. 6 meters has been a great white noise source nearly all summer. Even Arizona seems to do better than we do. Any wisdom as to why this might be?"

I have NO idea. Happenstance?

Maybe the activity during the CQ Worldwide VHF Contest this weekend will change the 6 meter fortunes of Southern California. See http://www.cqww-vhf.com/ for more information.

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service at http://arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals. For an explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin, see http://arrl.org/the-sun-the-earth-the-ionosphere. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at http://arrl.org/w1aw-bulletins-archive-propagation. More good information and tutorials on propagation are at http://k9la.us/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://arrl.org/propagation.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of ARRL bulletins are at http://arrl.org/bulletins.

Sunspot numbers for July 11 through 17 were 85, 87, 66, 88, 77, 61, and 74, with a mean of 76.9. 10.7 cm flux was 113.4, 117.6, 114,

112.9, 114.1, 113.9, and 111.3, with a mean of 113.9. Estimated
planetary A indices were 18, 9, 10, 20, 25, 5, and 5, with a mean of
13.1. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 15, 9, 8, 15, 33, 5,
and 5, with a mean of 12.9.
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21396. Re: [DX-IS] European type envelope for QSLs

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-07-20 01:25:52 UTC
From: dale cole
Topic: 21383 Message: 21396

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Scott;
Did you ever find the euro envelopes you needed?
Dale K8TS

From: cq_dx_de_aa0aa <cq_dx_de_aa0aa@...>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, July 17, 2013 4:41 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] European type envelope for QSLs

Hi all,
JJ8DEN is asking for a SASE "European type envelope" for his QSL of FOR/KH0PR. I searched and found a lot of different sizes, just for envelopes in the U.S.

Any suggestions on the correct size when this is requested? Should one just assume that a particular size is required when requesting a QSL from a European station?

Thanks and 73,
Scott AA0AA

21397. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-07-20 14:01:03 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21397

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21398. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-07-20 14:10:46 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21398

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:Issued: 2013 Jul 20 1408 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30720
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 20 Jul 2013, 1407UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 20 Jul 2013 until 22 Jul 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Active conditions expected (A>=20 or K=4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 20 Jul 2013 10CM FLUX: 114 / AP: 015
PREDICTIONS FOR 21 Jul 2013 10CM FLUX: 113 / AP: 015
PREDICTIONS FOR 22 Jul 2013 10CM FLUX: 113 / AP: 012
COMMENT:The only C-class flare reported during the last 24 hours was C2.1 flare
originating from the NOAA AR 1793. This active region currently has beta-
gamma configuration of the photosperic magnetic field and the potential to
produce C-class and possibly M-class flares. The newly arrived data showed
that the CME on July 18 associated with the prominence eruption on the east
solar limb, is most probably not Earth-directed. The Earth is still inside
the fast speed stream due to the low-latitude coronal hole in the northern
hemisphere. At the moment the solar wind speed is 530 km/s and the
interplanetary magnetic field (IMF) is rather stable with the magnitude of
about 2 nT. We expect unsettled to active geomagnetic conditions due to the
currently ongoing influence of the fast stream. The arrival of the fast
flow from the low-latitude coronal hole (also crossing the equator) in the
southern hemisphere, which just reached the central meridian is expected on
July 23.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 037, BASED ON 12 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 19 Jul 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 114
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 023
AK WINGST : 020
ESTIMATED AP : 019
ESTIMATED ISN : 058, BASED ON 25 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21399. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-07-21 14:01:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21399

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:Issued: 2013 Jul 21 1350 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30721
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 21 Jul 2013, 1307UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 21 Jul 2013 until 23 Jul 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 21 Jul 2013 10CM FLUX: 115 / AP: 010
PREDICTIONS FOR 22 Jul 2013 10CM FLUX: 116 / AP: 010
PREDICTIONS FOR 23 Jul 2013 10CM FLUX: 115 / AP: 007
COMMENT:Solar activity is still low with only three C-class flares reported during
last 24 hours. Majority of the flares originated from the NOAA AR 1800
which has at the moment beta configuration of the photosperic magnetic
field. The strongest flare was C3.1 flare which peaked at 08:44 UT on July
21. The flare was associated with the coronal dimming and therefore
probably also with the CME. However, this cannot be confirmed due to the
data gap in STEREO and SOHO/LASCO observations. We expect C-class flares
and also possibly M-class flares. The solar wind speed is currently 400
km/s, and the interplanetary magnetic field magnitude is about 3 nT. We
expect quiet to unsettled geomagnetic conditions.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 034, BASED ON 13 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 20 Jul 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 113
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 008
AK WINGST : 005
ESTIMATED AP : 005
ESTIMATED ISN : 038, BASED ON 16 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21400. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1120

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-07-21 15:50:35 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 21400 Message: 21400

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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 14th-July, through Sunday, 21st-July there were 208 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3B9, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5W, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9V, 9Y, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C9, CE, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, DL, DU, E5/s, E6, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, F, FG, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FS, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HC8, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J3, J6, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JX, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PY, PY0F, PZ, S2, S5, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T33, T5, T7, TA, TF, TG, TI, TK, TL, TR, TT, TU, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VP2E, VP2V, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XW, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZD7, ZD8, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

3DA0, SWAZILAND. Roger, ZS6RJ, informs OPDX that there will be a 3DA0ET DXpedition to Swaziland taking place between November 18-27th. He mentions that the team will be finalized sometime next month after everyone over

on the EU side is back from their holidays. This will include their roles etc... along with the Web site and QSL information. Roger did provide the aims of the DXpedition, which are:
* To participate in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) as a Multi-2 category contestant.
* To give as many folk as possible a new entity or band/mode slot, providing CW, RTTY and SSB.
* To address the often-neglected need for digital modes via a full time dedicated RTTY/PSK station running from the start for the entire duration of the DXpedition.
* To operate 160 meters through 6 meters.
* Equipment:
Rigs - 2X Kenwood TS-590's, 1X Yaesu FTDX3000D, & 1 or 2X Elecraft K3's
Linears - 4X Expert (3X 1K and 1X 2K FA's) linear amplifiers, sponsored by Expert Amps USA
Antennas - 3X KIO Hexagonal Beams, 1X 75 foot vertical for 160, 80 and 40 meters TX, 1X 2 element 30 meter wire beam, 1X 160/80 meter RX antenna with preamp.
* QSL Policy/Website/Log:
- They will be announcing a Web site address shortly.
- They will be using ClubLog for band-slot chasers and for online log checking.
- They will be updating both Clublog and LoTW a couple of times each day during the operation.
- They will be providing QSL cards via both Bureau and direct.
Any queries can be directed to Roger, ZS6RJ.

9G, GHANA. Jeff, W7JVN/9G5AC, reports on QRZ.com [edited]: "My wife Beverly (WB7NLY) and I have been called to a church mission in Ghana, Africa. I thought it would be nice to be on a DXpedition here so I brought my Yaesu FT 857 radio with me and have set up a humble little station at my house. I have a 20 meter inverted V dipole antenna mounted on a 30 foot bamboo pole. The natives here use these poles to mount a small UHF TV antenna on. Every house has a bamboo pole antenna. Some are longer than the one I found, but I thought I was very lucky to find that one. I use a 12 volt battery off my generator for power for the radio. Who needs power in the house as long as the radio will work? I will get on 20 and 15 meters SSB whenever I get a chance and when the bands are open here. With the antenna I have and only 100 watts, I don't think I will have a big signal out of Ghana but I have made several contacts so far with good reports. I will be in Asamankese, Ghana (which is in the bush), for about 16 months. Date of this post is July, 2013. I am looking forward to working as many stations as possible, and I hope you are one of them.... 73 Jeff 9G5AC"

9H, MALTA (Correction). Nakanishi, JJ2NYT, will be active as 9H3N (not 9H1N) from Malta between August 2-5th. Activity will be holiday style on 40-10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via his home callsign.

9H, MALTA. Emma, M6JDH, will be active as 9H3EH from Mellehia between July 22nd and August 28th. No other details were provided.

9M4, WEST MALAYSIA (LH Op!). Members of the Melaka DX Team will be active as 9M4LHU from the Pulau Undan LightHouse on Undan Island (AS-097) sometime in August (around the ILLW event). QSL via 9M2ESM direct. Look for more details to be forthcoming.

9M8, EAST MALAYSIA. Steve, 9M6DXX, will once again be active as 9M8Z from Sarawak (OC-088) between July 24-29th. Activity will include the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/SSB-Mode/High-Power/24HRS entry. QSL via M0URX, OQRS <http://m0urx.com/oqrs/>, direct <http://www.qrz.com/db/M0URX>
or via the RSGB Bureau.
Logs will be uploaded to LoTW as soon as possible after the operation.

A2, BOTSWANA. After a very successful 7P8D DXpedition to Lesotho in 2012, Donovan, ZS2DL, will lead a team of operators in April of 2014 to Botswana and be active as A22D (license was just issued on July 8th). Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. Botswana is high on the wanted lists for both CW and RTTY. They are looking for CW operators and sponsors for this operation. QSL via ZS2DL direct. Log will be posted on ClubLog, so a OQRS will be available. Look for QSOs to be uploaded to LoTW about 6 months after the DXpedition. Look for more details to be forthcoming. Also, watch the Web site at: http://www.a22d.net

AH0/KH0, MARIANA ISLANDS. Operators Kuny/W1FPU (7L1FPU) and his 13 year old son Yoshiki/JF1UCV are now active as AH0BT and KH0UA from the Mariana Islands until July 26th. Activity will be on 40-6 meters including the WARC bands. QSL routes are AH0BT via 7L1FPU (Bureau/direct) and KH0UA via JF1UCV (direct only).

C82, MOZAMBIQUE (Press Release #3). The following was sent out on July 16th [edited]: "This has been a busy month for the C82DX team. With only 90 days before we are QRV we have filled the remaining operating positions and added several individuals to our off site support team. Joining us are such well known DXers as Bill/K1MM, Bruce/W6OSP, Charlie/NF4A and Wild Bill/N2WB. Our South African contingent now includes Pierre/ZS6PJH Chairman of the Pretoria ARC.
We now have secured the vehicles and trailers that will take us overland from Pretoria to Xai Xai, Mozambique. South African members of our team have traveled to Xai Xai to map the operating site and make a deposit on our rented compound. Coax, laptops, and extra linears have been sourced. In addition to our team license, our team members have all received personalized C92 callsigns.
Low Band operations remain the primary objective and we have secured both Titanex and Battle Creek Special verticals. We have also obtained the sponsorship of Array Solutions with one of their new shared apex loop array RX systems and W3YY FSK/CW interfaces. They join ICOM (our main equipment supplier with IC7600s) and SteppIR (CrankIRs) as our major donors to our DXpedition.
During the day we will operate all HF bands including 6 meters. Our website has been expanded by our webmaster, K6MM. If you haven't been there lately, please visit, <www.c82dx.com>, where you can learn more about our plans.

Tom, N4XP and Don, N1DG -- DXpedition Co-leaders"

CE0X, SAN FELIX (Update). A few sources are reporting that Mike, WU2D, was on San Felix and had his radio equipment with him. However, the Armada (Chilean Navy on the island) would not let him operate. Last heard, Mike is back on the mainland. No details if he will try to return to San Felix again.

COLVIN AWARD GRANTS ANNOUNCED. The ARRL has announced that they have made Colvin Award grants <http://www.arrl.org/colvin-award-grants> to help support three upcoming DXpeditions. Recipients are the K9W Wake Atoll, T33A Banaba Island, and FT5ZM Amsterdam Island DXpeditions. The K9W DXpedition is scheduled for September-October 2013, the T33A DXpedition for November 2013 and the FT5ZM DXpedition for January-February 2014. More details, see: http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-announces-colvin-awards-to-dxpeditions

D2, ANGOLA (Update). João, CT2HPM, is now active as D2CT from Luanda until July 26th. Activity will be 20/17/15/12/10 meters using mostly PSK31 and RTTY. His equipment is a Kenwood TS-480SAT into a EzWire antenna. QSL via CT2HPM.

E5, SOUTH COOK ISLANDS. Fabio, IZ0YIV, will be active as E51YIV from the following islands between October 9-17th. His tentative schedule is:
October 9-13th - Rarotonga Island (OC-013)
October 13-17th - Aitutaki Island (OC-083)
Activity will be holiday style, possibly on 20/17/15m (he has not yet decided), using SSB and the Digital modes (RTTY, PSK, JT65 and JT9 mainly). QSL via his home callsign, direct, by the Bureau or via eQSL or LoTW.

ET, ETHIOPIA (YASME Press Release): "YASME SUPPORTS EQUIPMENT ACQUISITION FOR NEW ETHIOPIAN AMATEURS -- Ethiopia came back on the air May 30, 2011, with the re-opening of the Ethiopian Amateur Radio Society station ET3AA. To support the reestablishment of amateur radio in Ethiopia, the Yasme Foundation made a grant to pay for the fees associated with the license examination for 25 club members. Many were successful but under Ethiopian regulations could not receive a license without proof of ownership of an amateur radio station.
To further support amateur radio in Ethiopia, the Board of Directors is pleased to announce that it has made an additional grant to be used to purchase amateur radio transceivers for three club members so that they can satisfy the requirements of the Ethiopian licensing process. The Board acknowledges with appreciation the substantial efforts of Ken Claerbout, K4ZW, in facilitating the acquisition of the equipment and mentoring the EARS members, as shown here with club member Adula at the microphone during the 2013 IARU HF Championship contest.
The Yasme Foundation is a not-for-profit corporation organized to conduct scientific and educational projects related to Amateur Radio, including DXing (long distance communication) and the introduction and promotion of Amateur Radio in developing countries. For additional information about The Yasme Foundation, visit our website at <www.yasme.org>.

Ward Silver, N0AX, President The Yasme Foundation

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GB75, ENGLAND (Special Event). Look for special event station GB75RH to be active from the International Scout and Guide (Girl Scout) Camp in the Walesby Forest Scout Activity Centre, 21 miles (34 km) NNE of the City of Nottingham and located in the legendary Sherwood Forest, between July 26th and August 3rd. Activity is to celebrate the 75th anniversary of the sites acquisition by the City of Nottingham Scouts. Amateur Radio has long since featured in these camps which are usually held every 4 or 5 years, and this year a station was again one of the many activities available to the young people attending the camp. With a large international team of 17 operators, the stations will be able to demonstrate the best of amateur radio to the many young visitors attending. Amateur Radio expanded the international nature of the camp with 5 HF stations operating on all bands from 80-10 meters, plus 1 station operating on 6m and 2m. QSL via the Bureau or direct to G0GDU.

GJ, JERSEY. Members of the Bristol Contest Group will be active as GJ6YB during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th) from Jersey (EU-013, WLOTA L-0818) as a Multi-Op/Island-DXpedition/Mixed-Mode entry. QSL via G3SWH, direct or by the Bureau.

GJ, JERSEY. Members of the Jersey Contest Group will be active as GJ2A from Jersey Island (EU-013, WLOTA L-0818) during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th) as a Multi-Op/High-Power entry. QSL via LoTW, or direct to GJ3DVC.

H40, TEMOTU PROVINCE (Update). Sigi, DK9FN, will once again return to the Temotu Province for a fifth time and be active as H40FN, but this time from Lata, Nendo Island (OC-100) between December 21st and January 10th (2014). QSL via DK9FN (not HA8DD) effective from July 1st, direct or by the Bureau. More details will be forthcoming. Watch the QRZ.com Web site at: http://www.qrz.com/db/H40FN

HONDURAN IOTA EXPEDITIONS. By the time you read this, Dan, HR2DMR, who was active as HQ8D from Vivorillos Cay (NA-223) this past week for about 4 days and then went QTH leaving the island, should be returning to Vivorillos for another 4 day operation. Since there is no facilities on the Island, Dan had to stop after the 4th day to return to the main land to resupply (fuel, water and food). He also mentions things might change depending on the Honduran Navy's needs. Activity from Vivorillos will be on CW, SSB and possibly RTTY. This will be his last activity from here. The QSL Manager is Dwayne, KD4POJ, and he provides some details about Dan's operation at: http://hriotas.com
ADDED NOTES: After NA-223, Dan will be active for the RSGB IOTA Contest from Cochinos Island (NA-160) as HQ3W. Of further interest, Dan mentions

he is planning to activate Tigre Island (NA-060), but no firm dates as yet.

II8, ITALY (LH Op!). Members of the Calabria DX Team will activate the Capo dell'Armi Lighthouse (JM77UW, ARLHS ITA-014 and CL-008 WAIL) on Saturday, August 13th. The callsign will be II8LH. QSL via the Bureau to HB9FHZ (USKA bureau). QSL via direct to IK8YFU. Also, log will be upload to eQSL and LoTW. For more info, visit: http://www.calabriadxteam.it

IOTA NEWS.....
JUST A REMINDER THAT NEXT WEEKEND IS THE RSGB IOTA CONTEST!!!!!! Complete details and rules are available at:
http://www.rsgbcc.org/hf/iota.shtml
http://www.rsgbcc.org/hf/rules/2013/riota.shtml

AS-074. Ian, 9M2FB, will be active from Pulau Ketam Island (Crab Island) during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th) as a Single-Op/CW-Mode/12HRS/Low-Power entry. QSL via 9M2FB.

AS-117. Aki, JA4FHE, will be active as JA4FHE/4 from O-shima Island (Yamaguchi Prefecture) during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th) as a Single-Op/CW-Mode/15m/12HRS entry. QSL via his callsign.

AS-120. By the time you read this, operators Spyros/5B4MF, Philip/5B4ZN, Tamer/5B4AHE and Pavlos/5B4AMF should be active as homecall/p from the "Agios Georgios" islet off the coast of Akamas, Cyprus, until 0300z Sunday, July 21st. Activity will be mostly SSB on 17 and 20m but also some 30m slow CW. QSL via their home callsigns.

AS-135. Operators Dale/BA4TB, Tim/BD4TJ, Mi/BD4TQ, Meng/BD4TT, Zhou/BG4TYQ, Zhou/BG4TVT, Zhang/BG4TMC and BG4TDF will be active as BA4TB/5 from Dongxilang Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via BA4TB.

AS-139. Operators Terry/BA7NQ, Mouland/BD7JLJ, Yang/BD7IXG, Rumei/BD7LMD, Lin/BI7IOB, Weijian/BH7IHE, Junxi/BI7OZD, Shiyu/BD7KSF, De/BA7JA, Wu/BA7IA, Ya/BA7JG, Alan/BA1DU, Liao/BA7QT and Chen/BD7RL will be active as BY7RA/7 from Weizhou Island between July 25-29th. Activity will be on 80-6 meters. They will also be in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th) as a Multi-Op entry. QSL via BA4EG.

EU-006. Members of Limerick Radio Club will be active from the Inishere Islands as as EJ0A during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th) as a Multi-Op/DXpedition/Mixed-Mode/Low-Power entry. QSL via EI4GXB. Operators mentioned are Brendan/EI0CZ, Ger/EI4GXB, John/EI6IW, Simon/EI7ALB, Paddy/EI8GY, Dermot/EI2GT, David/EI2GBB and Tony/EI9IL.

EU-006. (Update/Change) Members of the Papa Lima DX Group will be active as EJ0PL from Inishmore Islands (Aran Islands) between July 23-29th. Ten operators plan to have three stations active

on 80-6 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. Activity will include the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th) using the callsign EJ1Y as a Multi-Op/High-Power entry. They will use Hexbeams (20-6m) and verticals (80-30m). Updated operators are Michal/EI3KG, John/EI4GK, Adam/EI5JQ, Oleg/EI7KD, Waldi/SP7IDX, David/EI9FBB, Ark/EI9KC and Mietek/SP9NWN. QSL via EI5JQ, direct or by the Bureau. An OQRS will be available via ClubLog. Log will be uploaded to LoTW, eQSL and HRDLOG.net.

EU-008. Members of the Cockenzie & Port Seton Amateur Radio Club will once again activate GM2T from the Isle of Tiree (IOSA NH04, SCOTIA DI10, WLOTA 2232, WAB NM04), the most westernly part of Scotland's Inner Hebridean Islands, during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th) as a Multi-Op entry. Operators mentioned are: Cambell/MM0DXC, Bob/GM4UYZ, Robin/MM0VTV, Steve/MM0GZA, Geoff/MM5AHO, Brian/M0RNR, Tanner/MM0SEN, Gary/MM0FZV, John/MM0JXI, Paul/MM0VPR, Cephas/MM0INS and Ellis/GM4GZW. QSL via GM4UYZ, direct or eQSL and LoTW. ADDED NOTE: Operators will try to operate before the contest using the callsign MM0CPS/P. For more info, see: http://www.cpsarc.com

EU-008. Ed, GW3SQX, will be active as GM7O from Skye Island (IOSA NH07, SCOTIA CN14, WLOTA 1626) during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/CW-Mode entry. QSL via GW3SQX.

EU-009. Michael, DL6MHW, will be active as MM/DL6MHW from Orkneys (Mainland), Scotland, during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th) as a Single-Op/Mixed-Mode/12HRS/Low-Power entry. QSL via DL6MHW.

EU-010. Operators John/MM0CCC, Colin/GM0RLZ, Clive/GM3POI, Keith/GM4YXI and Chris/GM3WOJ will be active as GM7V from Benbecula Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th) as a Multi-Op/DXpedition/Mixed-Mode/High-Power entry. QSL via N3SL.

EU-012. Operators Ian/G3WVG and Nigel/G3TXF will be active as MZ5A from the Scottish Shetland Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th) as a Multi-Op entry. QSL via G3TXF.

EU-025. Joe, IT9RZU, will be active from Sicily Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/CW-Mode/Low-Power entry. QSL via his home callsign, by the Bureau or LoTW.

EU-031. Gian, IC8WIC, will be active from Capri Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th) as a Single-Op entry. QSL via his home callsign or by the Bureau.

EU-031. Operators Antonio/IZ8DPL, Angelo/IZ8FSH, Jozef/OM3GI, Tibor/OM3RM and Miroslav/OM5RW will be active as IR8A from Ischia Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th). QSL via

IZ8GBH. Visit the IR8A Web page at: http://www.ir8a.com

EU-031. Operators Tony, IC8FBU, will be active from Capri Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th) as a Single-Op/CW-Mode entry. QSL via the Bureau. Suggested bands and times: 40m 0021-0100z, 80m 0100-0300z, 20m 0600-0800z, 10m 0800-1100z and 15m 1100-1200.

EU-051. (Update) Operators Stefano/IK6JRI, Fred/IK7JWX, Ciclane/IZ6JOD, Giuseppe/IT9FTP, Calogero/IT9INO and Davide/IT9DFI will be active as IE9/homecall from Ustica Island (IIA P-0001, MIA MI-116, LH SI-027, ITA-136, L-0848, WFF IFF-485, WW. Loc. JM68OQ) between July 24-29th. Activity will include the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th) as IE9/IK6JRI, but before and after the contest look for operations on the HF bands CW/SSB, as well as 30/17/12 meters digital modes and 6 meter SSB. QSL IE9/IK6JRI via IK6JRI, direct or by the Bureau. All others via their home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

EU-055. Operators Jan/LA1MNA, Nils/LA6IOA, Bjørn/LA6SFA, Morten/LA7XIA Knut/LA9RY will be active as LN7H from Bokn Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th) as a Multi-Op/DXpedition entry. QSL via LA7H.

EU-064. Members of the F6KOP team, Provins ARC, will be active as F6KOP/p from Noirmoutier Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th) as a Multi-Op/Mixed-Mode/DXpedition/24HRS/Low-Power entry. Operators mentioned are Johan/F4GTD, Antoine/F5RAB and Maurice/F5NQL. QSL via F6KOP, Bureau is preferred. ADDED NOTE: Look for operators to be active before the contest, a few hours on Friday and Saturday morning, using the same callsign and checking their gear. However, they will be using an Ultra portable station, with only one transmitter, a laptop and Vertical antennas, an AC/DC generator and maybe a 500w PA. Antennas will be set up very close to the beach.

EU-064. A team composed by Geoffrey/F4FVI, Pierre/F4GXS, Johan/F4GTD, Phillipe/F5TRO, Maurice/F5NQL and Nicolas/F8BDB will be operating as TM2NOI from Noirmoutier Island between August 9-11th. This is the third IOTA activation by this young team. Activity will be on the IOTA frequencies using SSB, Digi and CW. QSL via the Bureau and direct to F4FVI. For more details, see: http://www.qrz.com/db/TM2NOI

EU-075. Operators George/SV1CDY, Thomas/SV2CLJ, Kostas/SV1GSU, Antony/SV1OAN and Emmanuel/SV1JGX will be active as J48A from Aegina Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th) as a Multi-Op entry. QSL via SV1OAN.

EU-115. Operators Neil/EI3JE, Dan/EI3JZ, Mark/EI3KD, John/EI8IR, Jerry/EI6BT and Dave/EI4BZ will be active as EI7M from Ireland (mainland) during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th) as a

Multi-Op/Mixed-Mode entry. QSL via EI6HB.

EU-119/ Operators Vasily/R7AA, Alexei/RN1ON, Igor/UA3EDQ and Aliy/UA6YW
EU-161. will be active as R20RRC/1 from Morzhovets Island (EU-119)
between July 24-28th. Activity will include the RSGB IOTA
Contest (July 27-28th) signing as RT6A/1. QSL R20RRC/1 via
RZ3EC and RT6A/1 via R7AA. ADDED NOTE: Depending on the WX,
the team may also activate Sosnovets Island (EU-161) on July
25th. Callsign was not mentioned.

EU-120. Look for M0NMS/p to be active from Isle of Wight (WLOTA 2985)
during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th) as a Single-Op/
12HRS/Low-Power entry. QSL via LX1NO.

EU-120. Darren, G0TSM, will be active as M7X from Isle of Wight (WLOTA
2985) during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th) as a Single-
Op/Mixed-Mode/12HRS/High-Power entry. QSL via G0TSM.

EU-120. Operators Richard/G3ZGC, Colin/M0DDT, Ray/G4FON, Steve/M0SEL,
Stuart/M0RXX, George/2E0FEC and 2E0MJE will be active as G7N
from Isle of Wight (WLOTA 2985) during the RSGB IOTA Contest
(July 27-28th). QSL via G5XV direct, or G7N by the Bureau.

EU-124. Members of the Barry Amateur Radio Society (BARS) will once
again activate Flatholm Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest
(July 27-28th) using the callsign GW8K as a Multi-Op/Island-
DXpedition/24HRS/Low-Power entry. Operators mentioned are
Philip/MW0DHF, Ken/GW1FKY, Steven/MW0VRQ and George/MW0TDQ.
QSL via MW0DHF, direct or by the Bureau.

EU-129. Operators Claus/DL8DZL and Axel/DL8RL will be active as DL8DZL/p
from Usedom Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th).
QSL via DL8DZL.

EU-132. Adam, DJ0IF, will be active as SN0RX from Wolin Island during
the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th). QSL via SP8RX.

EU-136. Jozef, OM5AW, will be active as 9A/OM5AW from Krk Island during
the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/
DXpedition/Mixed-Mode/Assisted/High-Power/12HRS entry. QSL via
OM2FY.

EU-140. Operators Jari/OH1JO and Juha/OH1LEG will be active as OH1K
from Kaunissaari Island between July 25-31st. Activity will
include the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th). Operations will
mainly be on 20 meters SSB, but they will also be on 80-6
meters. QSL via OH1JO.

EU-147. Operators Vasily/RU3SD and SWL/R3S-367 will be active as
RK3SWB/1 from Berezhnoy Borshovets Island during the RSGB
IOTA Contest (July 27-28th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via
QRZ.com info.

EU-162. Operators Sukhanov/UA1ZZ, Vladimir/RZ1ZZ, Vasil/RA1ZZ, Oleg/ RK3AW, Aleksandr/RA3AV and Alexey/RW3QNZ will be active as homecall/p and R20RRC/1 from Glov Island in the White Sea between July 28-29th. They will also be an entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th) as UA1ZZ/p. QSL via UA1ZZ. All personal/home callsigns via their home addresses.

EU-165. Massimo, I0PNM, will once again be active as IM0/I0PNM from San Pietro Island (IIA CI-007, MIA MIS-050, WLOTA 2989). His activity will take place during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th) as a Single-Op/DXpedition/SSB-Mode/Unassisted/24HRS entry. QSL via his home callsign direct only.

EU-170. Matus, HA9MDN, will be active as 9A/HA9MDN from Vir Island between July 26th and August 2nd. Activity will include the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th) as a Single-Op/SSB-Mode/Low-Power entry. Operations will be on SSB, RTTY and SSTV. QSL via HA9MDN, by the Bureau or eQSL.

EU-178. Juri, ES5GP, will be active as ES5GP/8 from Kihnu Island between July 24-29th. Activity will include the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th) as a Single-Op/SSB-Mode entry.

EU-179. Operators Nick/UR3GO, Vitaly/UR4QTP, Ivan/UR8GX, Mike/US0GM, Alex/UT7GV, Vitaliy/UV5QAW and Alexey/UV5QQ will be active as homecall/p from the Kalanchakskiye Islands between July 24-31st. Activity will be on the HF bands using CW and SSB. QSL via the home callsigns. ADDED NOTE: Ivan, UR8GX, will be active during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th) as a Single-Op entry from Kalanchakskiye.

EU-183. A small number of Romanian hams will be active as YP13S from Sacalinu Mare Island between July 24-29th. The team has already received approval for access on the island. The Romanian government has declared the area an ecological reserve and no settlement is permitted on the island. Operators mentioned are Vasile/YO4AR, Vasile/YO4HAB, Vali/YO4HAI, Chris/YO5OHO, Laur/ YO8AXP, Bebe/YO8SGZ and Alex/YO8SS. Activity is planned for 80-10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via YO8AXP. For more details, see: http://www.amatoradio.ro

EU-186. Operators Metin/TA1ED and Tevfik/TA1HZ will be active as TC0GI from Gokceada Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th). This will be a totally portable operation with generator power for electricity. Activity will be on 80-10 meters. QSL via TA1HZ direct only.

NA-026. Mike, N2GC, will be active from Long Island, NY, during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th) as a Single-Op/CW-Mode/High-Power entry. QSL via LoTW or direct to N2GC.

NA-036. Gabor, VE7JH, will be active as VA7SIL from the VE7UF's contest station on Vancouver Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July

27-28th) as a Single-Op/CW-Mode entry. QSL via VE7JH.

NA-045. Andrea, IZ2LSC, will be active as XF3/IZ2LSC during an IOTA holiday style DXpedition from Isla Mujeres between July 24-31st. Also, look for some activity as XE3/IZ2LSC (mainland) between now and July 23rd. He states that his main commitment is for the IOTA activation. QSL via EB7DX direct, by the Bureau to his home callsign IZ2LSC or LoTW. For more details, see: http://www.timpy.it/xf3
Also following him on Twitter: @iz2lsc

NA-067. Jon, WB8YJF, will be active as WB8YJF/4 from Ocracoke Island (USI NC001S), NC, between July 21-28th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using mainly CW with some SSB and RTTY. He also plans to be active in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th) as Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL direct for FAST reply or by the Bureau.

NA-067. Marty, W4MY, will operate from Harkers Island, NC, during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th) running 100 watts on 80-10 meters. QSL via W4MY.

NA-137. Operator Doug, K1DG and friends will be active as N1LI from Long Island, ME, during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th) as a Multi-Op entry. QSL via N1LI.

NA-140. Ethan, K8GU, will be active as K8GU/3 from Middle Hooper Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest (only on July 27th) as a Single-Op/Mix Mode entry. Activity will be 40-10 meters. If conditions are poor, he may be CW-only. QSL via K8GU.

OC-109/ (Update) The DX-World.net is reporting that John/YB5NOF plans
OC-122. to activate Natuna Selatan (OC-109) and Tambelan (OC-122) island sooner than expected.

OC-136. Operators Steve/VK3MEG and Marcel/VK3FAAJ will be active as VK3MEG from Phillip Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th) as a Multi-Op/Assisted/Low-Power entry. They will use 40m dipole and 3 element tribander (20/15/10m). QSL via LoTW, EQSL or by the Bureau.

SA-035. A group of YL operators will be active as YW5RYL from Los Roques between November 7-10th. Operators mentioned are Carolina/YV4AW, Maika/YY5ALO, Geraldine/YY2GAL, Laura/YY5OLA, Ramirez/YY5ANG, Mary/YY5MCO and Yumayra/YY5YVR. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. More details are forthcoming and a Web page is under construction.

SA-054. Members of the Grupo DX Caracas will be active as YW5X from Orchila Island (ARLHS VEN-022, WLOTA 3044) between August 1-31st. QSL via DM4TI only.

JA DX CONVENTION. It was announced that the "Japan DX Meeting 2013" will be held on August 24th in Tokyo. For more details, see: http://www.jdxm.jp/e.html
They state, "We, Japanese DXers, are looking forward to meeting lots of Hams from all over the world!"

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (July 22-28th)....
Jul/22nd HN-AN Jul/25th HN Jul/27th AN
Jul/23rd AN-HN Jul/26th AN Jul/28th AN
Jul/24th HN

SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS/INDEXES AND GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE
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NORMALITY	GEOMAG K Values	Alpha
AN - Above Normal	Quiet K=0-1	0-7
HN - High Normal	Unsettled K=2	8-15
LN - Low Normal	Active K=3	16-29
BN - Below Normal	Minor Storm K=4	30-49
DIS - Disturbed	Major Storm K=5	50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed	Severe Storm K=6-9	100-400

OH0, ALAND ISLAND. Operators Jukka/OH6LI and possibly others will be active as OH0V from Aland Island (EU-002) during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th) as a All-Band entry. QSL via OH6V or LoTW (preferred).

OJ0, MARKET REEF. Weather permitting, operators Teemu/SM0W/OJ0R, Rick/SM6U, and Thomas/SM0CXU/PY2ZXU will be active as OJ0R from Market Reef (EU-053) between July 25-29th. The group plans to be active during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th) as a Multi-Op/Island-Dxpedition entry. QSL via G3TXF.

OJ0, MARKET REEF. Pasi, OH3WS, will be on Market Reef (EU-053) as a voluntary worker between September 21-27th, and will be active as OJ0W during his spare time. Activity will be on 40-10 meters mostly CW. He states that he may be in the SAC Contest (September 21-22nd). QSL via OH3WS, by the Bureau or direct to: Pasi Bergman, Tuulipolku 4, 13500 Finland. ADDED NOTE. A YL Mirja (not Pasi's YL) will be there on the Reef with him and was very interested in HAM radio in Sept. 2012. When they were there last time, she made some QSOs. Pasi states, "I will give her a possibility to make QSOs as a second operator on SSB. It has been a long time since OJ0 was QRV by any YL-operator. We'll see what happens."

OO, BELGIUM (Special Prefixes). On July 21st, His Royal Highness Prince Philippe will become the new king of Belgium and His Royal Highness King Albert II has reigned for 20 years. For both occasions, all radio amateurs with a Belgian license will be allowed to use the prefix "OO" instead of "ON" from July 21st until and including September 20th, 2013. Belgian vanity callsigns (with only one letter in the suffix) may not change their prefix. Some vanity callsigns already have an "OO" prefix. A commemorative award will be available for working a number of these "OO" stations. Details will be forthcoming soon.

OQ4, BELGIUM (Special Event). Members of the ONZ Oost Kust Radio Club (ON4CLM) and other radio amateurs belonging to UBA clubs and groups will activate the special station OQ4CLM from Knokke between October 16th and November 15th. This is the club's 32nd anniversary activating the special event station. The suffix "CLM" stands for "Canadian Liberation March". Activity is to remind everyone of the 33km march that the Canadian troops did coming from the town Hoofdplaat in Holland to liberate the town Knokke in 1944. Each year, the ONZ uses a different prefix, and this year they were granted the use of the special prefix OQ instead of ON. QSL via ON3AIM. For more information and details about the special event station, visit their Web sites at: http://www.qrz.com/db/oq4clm http://www.oq4clm.be

OX, GREENLAND. Operators Mia/OZ5MD and Bjorn OZ5BD will be active as OX5M and OX5T, respectively, from Sisimiut, Greenland (NA-018), for at least the next two years. Activity will be on 40-6 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via OZ0J.

P4, ARUBA. Doug, NA1DX, will be active as P40DE from Aruba (SA-036, WLOTA 0033) between July 21-26th. He plans to operate CW, SSB, PSK and RTTY QRP with an Elecraft KX3 and Buddipole. Visit his Web site for more details and the QSL information at: http://www.ellmore.net/na1dx

P5 BBC IDXG INTERVIEW AND VIDEO SLIDE SHOWS AVAILABLE ON THE WEB.....
* Dan Damon of the BBC has interviewed Paul Ewing, N6PSE, regarding the efforts of the "Intrepid-DX Group" to activate North Korea (P5). You can find the interview (37 minutes) during the BBC program at: http://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/p01blrbt
Another similar interview will soon appear on Voice of America.

* Paul, N6PSE, reports, "We have added two new video slide shows from our recent visit to the Democratic People's Republic of Korea. The first video shows the children of the DPRK. The second video slide show shows many aspects of our travels throughout the DPRK. You can find the videos by going to <www.intrepid-dx.com> and select videos from the main menu."

PA, THE NETHERLANDS (Special Event). Look for special event stations PA6SAIL to be active between August 19th and September 10th. Activity will be on the HF bands using CW, SSB, PSK and RTTY. Also 6m and 2m. A special QSL card will be issued for working this callsign. Operations are in supporting the maritime event "SAIL De Ruyter" at Vlissingen. QSL via PA3GEO (by the Bureau or direct).

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (For July 21st)

4J20RO via 4J6RO EM20RRC via UT7UT OO5UR via ON5UR
5B/R2DX/M via R2DX EO20RRC via UY5XE P3M via 5B4AHK (d)
6M6M via HL2UVH FO/UT6UD via UT6UD PA1813A via PA0FAW
6V7S via RK4FF (d) HD082QRC via HC1JQ R1943O via RZ3EC
7S5A via SM4DDS HG0WFF via HA0HW R20RRC via RZ3EC
8J1AKIBA via JA (B) HG1W via HA1YA SN0WFF via SP5X

9A284MF via 9A4MF HS5AM via HS5IGY T49C via K8SIX
9A8D via 9A1CRD HV2VO via IK0USO TA/IZ5KID via IZ5KID
9H3N via JJ2NYT KH0UA via JF1UCV TZ6BB via W3HNK
C91GR via ZS6AYU LA/DL5SE via DL5SE XW0YJY via E21EIC
EA4BQ/EA8 via OH0XX OO5LS via ON5LS
(e) eQSL only (d) direct only (B) Bureau only (L) LoTW only

THAILAND VHF QSL ROUTES. There was many HS and E2 club stations active during this past weekend's CQ WW VHF Contest. Here are their QSL routes:
HS0AC host by E21EIC QSL via E21EIC (6m only) *
E2E host by HS1CHB QSL via E21EIC (6m only)
HS4AK QSL via E20YLM
HS5AM QSL via HS5IGY
* Champ, E21EIC, states, "For HS0AC and E2E, I will send QSLs of ALL QSOs on 6m via the Bureau."

E7 IARU HF 2013 QSL ROUTES. QSL E7HQ, E70ARA, E720IARU, E720RS and E720SRRS via E77E.

NEW QSL ROUTES. Phil, G3SWH, announced that he has been appointed as the QSL Manager for G0ORH, M3I and MM3I effective immediately. MM3I will be active from the Isle of Arran (IOTA EU-123) during the 2013 RSGB IOTA Contest. There are already pages with log searches on Phil's Web site at: http://www.g3swh.org.uk
OQRS is preferred, but snail mail or RSGB bureau will also work.

PJ5/K3TRM logs have now been uploaded to LoTW and ClubLog.

TS8P (Djerba 2010) QSL STATUS. Fred, IK7JWX, reports that he has finished the TS8P QSLs for the Djerba DXpedition in 2010. For Bureau QSLs, send him QSOs data via E-mail.

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 3V8BB, 5B75FOC, 8P3A, 8P6NW, 8P6SH, 8P9AA, 9M6XRO, AO6FOC, CP4BT, CT1CDP, CU3AN, D4C, DK5WL, E51E, EF8USA, FJ/K5WE, FJ/N5WR, FS/K9EL, GH3IT, GT4FOC, HB9CXZ, IR4M, IS0FOC, J68HZ, J75LG, JA5IU, JA8MS, JJ2LPV, KH6FOC, KH7M, M0VIE, M0VPE, NP4Z, OE3NKB, OZ1HDF, PJ4/NA2AA, PJ4LS, PJ4X, PY2KC, PY2YW, PZ5T, R7DX, R75FOC, RN3QN, SE2R, SG8X, SN7Q, SQ6ODD, TM5FOC, TR8CA, TT8TT, VA7DX, VE3YAA, VP2V/K6TOP, XT2CC, XV1X, YT7AW, YV5OIE, YW5W, ZL7J and ZM1A

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 5N7M, 5W0M, 5X8C, A41KJ, CE3SX, EP3SMH, HC2IWM/8, HR1AGC, JX5O, HK0/DL5YWM, KH0N, KH2L, LT1F, OJ0UR, OZ/PA7PA, P43A, PT0S, TK0INT, TK1INT, TK2INT, TN2T, TX5K, V85TL, VK9NT, VP2ETE, XX9AS, XY0Y, ZK3N and ZL9HR

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 3B7SP, 3XY1D, 4K9SONG, 4K9W, 4K0CW, 4X/N2TA, 570SP, 706T, 9H3TX, 9M2/R6AF/P, A35YZ, A6/DL2RMC, AP2TN, DL2EW, EA9/SP7VC, HD2A, HS0ZFA, HZ1FI, J38XX, JT7WFF, JW/DJ3KR, LY2BIS, MJ/SQ4MP, P33W, PJ5/SP6EQZ, PJ7PT, R25XAA, S79QT, S9DX, SV5/OH2DZ, SV5/RD1AP, SV9/DF8DX, T8XX, TG9IDX, TX5SPA, UP100GS, V21ZG, V31YN, V5/DJ2HD, V5/DL9NDS, VP2MGZ, VP2MWG, VP2MYL, VR2EH, XV0VR, YI9KT, YJ0ABP, YV0D, YW5LR, YW5PI, YW6A, YW7A, ZD8D and ZK2C

S7, SEYCHELLES. Cesare, I0WDX, will be active as S79WDX from Digue Island (AF-024), in the Seychelles Island group between November 12-23rd. Activity will be 160-6 meters, propagation permitting, using an Icom IC-7000 into a vertical by I1UJX and dipoles for 80 and 160m. QSL via I0WDX direct or LoTW. No QSLs via the Bureau.

TN2, REPUBLIC OF CONGO (Update to OPDX.1114/1117/1118 - Date Change). Once again in close cooperation between the DAGOE Foundation, Mercy Ships and 4 Dutch radio amateurs, planning is being done for a DXpedition to Republic of Congo. The Team will stay in Pointe Noire between October 12-24th (not September 28th-October 11th as announced earlier). The team will use the callsign TN2MS (not TN5MS as first announced) for this coming activity. For more details and updates, visit their Web page at:
http://www.tn2ms.nl
Also on Twitter at: https://twitter.com/DXpedition

TO4, MARTINIQUE. Thierry, F4BDG, will be active as TO4FM from Martinique (NA-107) between October 5-20th. Activity will be on the HF bands. QSL via EA5GL or on eQSL and LoTW.

V5, NAMIBIA. Operators Serge/UX0HX, Max/UZ1HZ and Alex/UT5UY will be active in holiday style as V5/homecalls from Namibia between August 1-8th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using CW and SSB. QSLs for V5/UX0HX, V5/UZ1HZ and V5/UT5UY are via UT5UY direct or by the Bureau.

VK9M, MELLISH REEF (Press Release). The following was sent out on July 11th: "After their successful operation from Campbell Island in Dec., 2012, six members of the ZL9HR team and additional operators are today announcing their intention to activate Mellish Reef in early 2014.
Mellish Reef is located in the Coral Sea, approximately 1,100 kilometers northeast of Brisbane, Australia. Currently number 24 on ClubLog's Most Wanted List, Mellish Reef was last activated in 2009. An international team will operate for 12 days, using 6 stations with linear amplifiers and vertical antennas.
Discussions are underway with the appropriate authorities and potential transport suppliers. Additional information will be available on the team's soon to be activated web site after the documentation is finalized.
Currently signed up for the project are: Pista/HA5AO, Dave/K3EL, Glenn/KE4KY, Jacky/ZL3CW, George/HA5UK, Gene/K5GS and Les/W2LK. As the project progresses we will announce additional operators and details.
Please direct questions to: Mellish2014@...
73, Team Mellish 2014"

XE, MEXICO (Special Event). Members of the La Federacion Mexicana de Radioexperimentadores, A.C. (Mexican Federation of Radio Experimenters FMRE) will be on the air from Cancun, Mexico, with the special callsign XE3FMRE celebrating the National Convention FMRE 2013. Activity will take place between October 2-7th, and operations will be on 80-6 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY, PSK31 and may be WSJT (Grid SQ. EL61). QSL via XE1LM.

XW, LAOS. Operators Steve/9M6DXX and James/9V1YC will operate as XW8XZ and XW1YC, respectively, from Laos between September 5-10th. They plan to have two stations on the air. XW8XZ activity will be on SSB and XW1YC

will mainly be CW with some SSB. QSL XW8XZ via M0URX and XW1YC via W5UE.

Z81X SOUTH SUDAN NEWS (Press Release From OH2BH). "Some 400 OQRS envelopes were mailed today and the rest will be completed within a next few days. Direct QSLing has also started and several hundred envelopes are mailed out daily.
Turnaround times for both OQRS and direct are just a day or two. OQRS bureau cards will be answered only after this initial phase.
Please note the fastest QSL address is as follows:
Olli Rissanen, OH0XX
Salmelankuja 14, Jääli,
FI-90940, Finland
It is also reported that plans for the upcoming South Sudan CQWW and low-band operations remain on track and the operator roster will be finalized this month."

ZD8, ASCENSION ISLAND. Marko, N5ZO, will once again be active as ZD8O from Ascension Island (AF-003) during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via OH0XX.

ZD8, ASCENSION ISLAND. Jorma, OH2KI, will be active as ZD8X in November. Activity will be before, during and after the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th). Activity during the contest will be Single-Op/Single-Band (10m) entry. Look for him on the bands outside of the contest. QSL via OH2KI.

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Subscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@...?subject=subscribe>
Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@...?subject=unsubscribe>
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21401. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-07-22 14:01:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21401

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:Issued: 2013 Jul 22 1315 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30722
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 22 Jul 2013, 1307UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 22 Jul 2013 until 24 Jul 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 22 Jul 2013 10CM FLUX: 120 / AP: 004
PREDICTIONS FOR 23 Jul 2013 10CM FLUX: 122 / AP: 003
PREDICTIONS FOR 24 Jul 2013 10CM FLUX: 125 / AP: 005
COMMENT:Three sunspot groups were reported by Catania today, with numbers 33, 35
and 34 (corresponding to NOAA ARs 1793, 1800 and NOAA H-alpha plage 1799
respectively). No C-class flares were reported during the last 24 hours,
but C-flares remain probable in Catania sunspot groups 33 and 35, with a
weak chance for an M-class flare. An equatorial coronal hole reached the
solar central meridian today. The fast solar wind stream from this coronal
hole is expected to arrive at the Earth on July 25. The Earth is currently
inside a slow (around 400 km/s) solar wind flow with weak to average
(around 3-4 nT) interplanetary magnetic field magnitude. We expect quiet
geomagnetic conditions in the coming hours.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 037, BASED ON 13 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 21 Jul 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 109
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 011
AK WINGST : 006
ESTIMATED AP : 005
ESTIMATED ISN : 036, BASED ON 25 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21402. IRCs For Sale

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-07-22 19:27:16 UTC
From: K1XN
Topic: 21402 Message: 21402

Current IRCs For Sale.
$1.35 each postage paid mailing to you (USA ONLY)
10 IRCs Minimum order please
Email me for availability.
golist@...

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ATTEND This Years
W4DXCC DX CONVENTION
Pigeon Forge, Tennessee
September 27-28 2013

21403. Pratas Island

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-07-23 08:42:10 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 21403 Message: 21403

Ok Guys,

Why isn't there any activity from Pratas Island BQ9? Why is it so rare?
I see there is an activation of another island near Taiwan..
What's the score?

73, Lance - VK6DU

21404. Re: [DX-IS] Pratas Island

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-07-23 10:39:43 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 21403 Message: 21404

On 7/23/2013 5:42 AM, Lance Martin wrote:
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around the same time. Pratas seems to be rarer than BV7H. I'm pretty
sure it is a military base, but with the expansion of interest in Ham
radio in China, you'd think some BY Hams would have activated it. I
wish someone would.

73, Paul VE1DX

21405. Re: [DX-IS] Pratas Island

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-07-23 11:47:09 UTC
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy (K5MWH)
Topic: 21403 Message: 21405

On 7/23/2013 5:39 AM, Paul M Dunphy wrote:
> On 7/23/2013 5:42 AM, Lance Martin wrote:
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> sure it is a military base, but with the expansion of interest in Ham
> radio in China, you'd think some BY Hams would have activated it. I
> wish someone would.
>
> 73, Paul VE1DX
Good Morning gents:

The last contacts I show here are 10, 15, & 20 meters on April 9,
2000. Indeed a good while ago.

73,
Mike, W5UC
Is it October yet?

21406. Re: [DX-IS] Pratas Island

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-07-23 11:55:18 UTC
From: Mike(W5UC) & Kathy (K5MWH)
Topic: 21403 Message: 21406

DXCCsleuth shows last activation in 2003
http://dxccsleuth.wordpress.com/2013/01/27/bv9p-pratas-island/

On 7/23/2013 3:42 AM, Lance Martin wrote:
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21407. Re: [DX-IS] Pratas Island

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-07-23 13:57:13 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 21403 Message: 21407

That article pretty well explains why it's difficult to activate. It's claimed by both Taiwan and mainland China. The only way there is by military transport. But at least there's more to it than Scarborough Reef!

73, Zack W9SZ

On Tue, Jul 23, 2013 at 6:55 AM, Mike(W5UC) & Kathy (K5MWH) <w5uc@suddenlink.net> wrote:

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21408. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-07-23 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21408

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:Issued: 2013 Jul 23 1232 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30723
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 23 Jul 2013, 1207UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 23 Jul 2013 until 25 Jul 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 23 Jul 2013 10CM FLUX: 112 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 24 Jul 2013 10CM FLUX: 114 / AP: 005
PREDICTIONS FOR 25 Jul 2013 10CM FLUX: 117 / AP: 018
COMMENT:Six sunspot groups are reported by Catania today. C-class flares are
possible in Catania sunspot groups 33, 35, and 38. Catania sunspot group 33
(NOAA AR 1793) evolved from beta-gamma to beta configuration of its
photospheric magnetic field. Catania sunspot group 35 (NOAA AR 1800) shows
evidence of emerging magnetic flux. Catania sunspot group 38 (no NOAA
number yet) just appeared from behind the east solar limb. The Earth is
currently inside a slow (around 380 km/s) solar wind flow with average (4-5
nT) interplanetary magnetic field magnitude. We expect quiet geomagnetic
conditions in the coming hours. On July 25 we expect the arrival of the
fast flow from the equatorial coronal hole, possibly resulting in active
geomagnetic conditions.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 052, BASED ON 15 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 22 Jul 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 054
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 110
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 015
AK WINGST : 009
ESTIMATED AP : 008
ESTIMATED ISN : 038, BASED ON 20 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21409. 5A1A yesterday

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-07-23 18:38:05 UTC
From: Brian Alsop
Topic: 21409 Message: 21409

A pirate I suppose.

73 DE Brian/K3KO

No virus found in this message.
Checked by AVG - www.avg.com
Version: 2012.0.2242 / Virus Database: 3204/6013 - Release Date: 07/23/13

21410. Re: [DX-IS] 5A1A yesterday

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-07-23 18:48:33 UTC
From: iain macdonnell - N6ML
Topic: 21409 Message: 21410

On Tue, Jul 23, 2013 at 11:38 AM, Brian Alsop <alsopb@...> wrote:
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> A pirate I suppose.

How do you know?

73,

~iain / N6ML

21411. Re: [DX-IS] 5A1A yesterday

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-07-23 18:49:46 UTC
From: Brian Alsop
Topic: 21409 Message: 21411

A one night stand...

On 7/23/2013 18:48, iain macdonnell - N6ML wrote:
> On Tue, Jul 23, 2013 at 11:38 AM, Brian Alsop <alsopb@...> wrote:
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No virus found in this message.
Checked by AVG - www.avg.com
Version: 2012.0.2242 / Virus Database: 3204/6013 - Release Date: 07/23/13

21412. Re: [DX-IS] 5A1A yesterday

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-07-23 18:51:39 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 21409 Message: 21412

On 7/23/2013 3:38 PM, Brian Alsop wrote:
> A pirate I suppose.
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> 73 DE Brian/K3KO
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Saw the spots, but they were the wrong time of day for me to even go listen. I thought "pirate" as well . . . I don't think a real 5A would get on the air without the DX Community knowing about it.

73, Paul

21413. Re: [DX-IS] 5A1A yesterday

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-07-23 18:55:35 UTC
From: iain macdonnell - N6ML
Topic: 21409 Message: 21413

According to K9EL (CQ DX Marathon manager), DL1AL spontaneously showed
up as 5A1A once before, a few years ago, and made only a few QSOs.
That doesn't mean it's legit this time, but it could be. John is
investigating...

73,

~iain / N6ML

On Tue, Jul 23, 2013 at 11:51 AM, Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...> wrote:
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> On 7/23/2013 3:38 PM, Brian Alsop wrote:
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> 73, Paul
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21414. Re: [DX-IS] 5A1A yesterday

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-07-23 18:56:03 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 21409 Message: 21414

On 7/23/2013 3:48 PM, iain macdonnell - N6ML wrote:
> On Tue, Jul 23, 2013 at 11:38 AM, Brian Alsop <alsopb@...> wrote:
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Never, at least not initially. After 30-40 years you learn odd behaviour and a lot of little hints make you very suspicious. Since you can't prove a negative, you can work him and see if (a) you get a card, and (b) if the DXCC Desk will accept it.

Or . . . look at your needs and decide you don't want to bother finding out.

73, Paul VE1DX

21415. Re: [DX-IS] 5A1A yesterday

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-07-23 18:57:57 UTC
From: Brian Alsop
Topic: 21409 Message: 21415

The fist did not sound like DL1AL. He couldn't send the 5 in 5A1A
correctly.

73 de Brian/K3KO

On 7/23/2013 18:55, iain macdonnell - N6ML wrote:
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> up as 5A1A once before, a few years ago, and made only a few QSOs.
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> No virus found in this message.
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> Version: 2012.0.2242 / Virus Database: 3204/6013 - Release Date: 07/23/13
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No virus found in this message.
Checked by AVG - www.avg.com
Version: 2012.0.2242 / Virus Database: 3204/6013 - Release Date: 07/23/13

21416. Re: [DX-IS] 5A1A yesterday

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-07-23 18:58:24 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 21409 Message: 21416

On 7/23/2013 3:55 PM, iain macdonnell - N6ML wrote:
> According to K9EL (CQ DX Marathon manager), DL1AL spontaneously showed
> up as 5A1A once before, a few years ago, and made only a few QSOs.
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> investigating...
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> 73,
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> ~iain / N6ML
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Then you should have worked it. :-) 30 years ago I was told "Work
First, Worry Later." Good advice.

73, Paul VE1DX

21417. Re: [DX-IS] Pratas Island

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-07-23 22:31:27 UTC
From: GARY HUBER
Topic: 21403 Message: 21417

Google Earth and Google maps provide great visuals of Pratas Island, Dongsha Islands

73 ES DX,
Gary -- AB9M

From: Zack Widup
Sent: Tuesday, July 23, 2013 8:57 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Pratas Island

That article pretty well explains why it's difficult to activate. It's claimed by both Taiwan and mainland China. The only way there is by military transport. But at least there's more to it than Scarborough Reef!

73, Zack W9SZ

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21418. Flying Horse Summer 2013 Call Book CD

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-07-24 13:47:37 UTC
From: K1XN
Topic: 21418 Message: 21418

RAC Flying Horse Summer 2013 Call Book CD including a FREE thumb
drive. Order online, pay with PayPal at http://shop.golist.net/index.php

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W4DXCC DX CONVENTION
Pigeon Forge, Tennessee
September 27-28 2013

21419. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-07-24 14:01:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21419

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:Issued: 2013 Jul 24 1309 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30724
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 24 Jul 2013, 1307UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 24 Jul 2013 until 26 Jul 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Active conditions expected (A>=20 or K=4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 24 Jul 2013 10CM FLUX: 109 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 25 Jul 2013 10CM FLUX: 112 / AP: 018
PREDICTIONS FOR 26 Jul 2013 10CM FLUX: 115 / AP: 005
COMMENT:Six sunspot groups are reported by Catania today. One of them (Catania
number 35, NOAA AR 1800) has beta-gamma configuration of the photospheric
magnetic field. We expect flaring activity on the C-level, although the
last C-class flare took place on July 21 and only B-class flares are
reported during the last days. The Earth is currently inside the slow
(around 350 km/s) solar wind flow with weak to average (3-4 nT)
interplanetary magnetic field magnitude. We expect quiet geomagnetic
conditions in the coming hours. Tomorrow we expect the arrival of the fast
flow from the equatorial coronal hole, possibly resulting in active
geomagnetic conditions.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 044, BASED ON 11 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 23 Jul 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 090
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 107
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 010
AK WINGST : 006
ESTIMATED AP : 005
ESTIMATED ISN : 054, BASED ON 22 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21420. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-07-25 14:01:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21420

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:Issued: 2013 Jul 25 1302 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30725
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 25 Jul 2013, 1307UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 25 Jul 2013 until 27 Jul 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Active conditions expected (A>=20 or K=4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 25 Jul 2013 10CM FLUX: 110 / AP: 011
PREDICTIONS FOR 26 Jul 2013 10CM FLUX: 112 / AP: 015
PREDICTIONS FOR 27 Jul 2013 10CM FLUX: 115 / AP: 003
COMMENT:During the last 24 hours, Catania sunspot group 35 (NOAA AR 1800) produced
three weak C-class flares, the strongest one being the C1.8 flare peaking
at 21:43 UT yesterday. We expect more C-class flares in this group, but the
probability for flaring at the M-level is low. A filament eruption at the
solar central meridian (between Catania sunspot groups 35 and 44) starting
around 02:00 UT today was accompanied by coronal dimmings and a post-
eruption arcade, as shown by the SDO/AIA data. However, no corresponding
CME was detected by SOHO/LASCO or STEREO/COR. The Earth is currently
inside a slow (around 320 km/s) solar wind flow with average (around 5 nT)
interplanetary magnetic field magnitude. We expect quiet geomagnetic
conditions until the arrival of the interaction region between the slow and
fast solar wind flows later today (followed by the fast flow from the
equatorial coronal hole), which may result in active geomagnetic
conditions.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 058, BASED ON 18 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 24 Jul 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 090
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 108
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 007
AK WINGST : 006
ESTIMATED AP : 005
ESTIMATED ISN : 047, BASED ON 20 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21421. ARLD030 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-07-25 22:26:00 UTC
From: jjreisert@...
Topic: 10387 Message: 21421

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ARLD030 DX news

ZCZC AE30
QST de W1AW
DX Bulletin 30 ARLD030
>From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT July 25, 2013
To all radio amateurs

SB DX ARL ARLD030
ARLD030 DX news

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by HA0HW, KI1U, NC1L, QRZ DX, the OPDX Bulletin, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, DXNL, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

TUNISIA, 3V. Feco, HA8KW is QRV as 3V8SM until August 1. Activity is holiday style on the HF bands using only CW. This includes a possible 12 hour entry in the RSGB IOTA contest from Jerba Island, IOTA AF-083. QSL this operation to home call.

WEST MALAYSIA, 9M2. Ian, 9M2FB will be QRV from Pulau Ketam Island, IOTA AS-074, during the RSGB IOTA contest as a Single Op/CW/Low Power/12Hrs entry. QSL to home call.

EAST MALAYSIA, 9M8. Steve, 9M6DXX is QRV as 9M8Z until July 29. This includes being a Single Op/All Band/SSB/High Power/24Hrs entry. QSL direct via M0URX.

CHINA, BY. A group of operators will be QRV as BA4TB/5 from Dongxilian Island, IOTA AS-135, in the RSGB IOTA contest as a Multi/Single entry. QSL via BA4TB.

ANDORRA, C3. Station C37UN is QRV until July 28 in celebration of 20 years of full UN Membership for Andorra. QSL via C37URA.

EASTER ISLAND, CE0. Jose, CE3YHO has moved to Rapa Nui, IOTA SA-001, and plans to be QRV as CE0YHO beginning in August. QSL via operator's instructions.

ESTONIA, ES. Juri, ES5GP is QRV as ES5GP/8 from Kihnu Island, IOTA EU-178, until July 29. This includes being active in the RSGB IOTA contest as a Single Op/SSB entry. QSL to home call.

JERSEY, GJ. Members of the Bristol Contest Group will be QRV as GJ6YB in the RSGB IOTA contest as a Multi Op/Island DXpedition/Mixed

Mode entry. QSL via G3SWH.

HONDURAS, HR. Dan, HQ8D, plans to be QRV as HQ3W from Cochinos Island, IOTA NA-160, in the RSGB IOTA contest. QSL via KD4POJ.

JAPAN, JA. Special event station 8N1FUJI will be QRV from July 28 to March 2014 to commemorate Fuji Mountain being recognized by UNESCO as a heritage site. Activity will be on all bands and modes. QSL via bureau.

ALAND ISLANDS, OH0. Jukka, OH6LI and possibly others will be QRV as OH0V in the RSGB IOTA contest as an All Band entry. QSL via OH6V.

MARKET REEF, OJ0. A group of operators are QRV as OJ0R until July 29. This includes being a Multi Op/Island DXpedition entry in the RSGB IOTA contest. QSL via G3TXF.

BRAZIL, PY. A group of operators are QRV as PX8Z from Cotijuba Island, IOTA SA-060, until July 28. Activity is on all bands using CW and SSB. QSL via PY8WW.

GREECE, SV. Norbert, OM6NM will be QRV as SV8/OM6NM from Thassos Island, IOTA EU-174, in the RSGB IOTA contest. QSL to home call.

TURKEY, TA. Operators TA1ED and TA1HZ will be QRV as TC0GI from Gokceada Island, IOTA EU-186, in the RSGB IOTA contest. Activity will be on 80 to 10 meters using generator power. QSL direct via TA1HZ.

EUROPEAN RUSSIA, UA. Special event station R2009IT is QRV until August 31 to commemorate the death of military aerobatics pilot Igor V. Tkachenko who died in a collision in 2009. QSL via RN3DHL.

NAMIBIA, V5. Operators UX0HX, UZ1HZ and UT5UY will be QRV as V5/home calls from August 1 to 8. Activity will be holiday style on 80 to 10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL all calls via UT5UY.

CANADA, VE. Mike, KI1U is QRV as KI1U/VE9 from Grand Manan Island, IOTA NA-014, until July 28. Activity is on the HF bands. He will also be active in the RSGB IOTA contest as a Single Op/Low Power CW entry. QSL to home call.

MEXICO, XE. Andrea, IZ2LSC is QRV as XF3/IZ2LSC from Isla Mujeres, IOTA NA-045, until July 31. Activity is on the HF bands. This includes being an entry in the RSGB IOTA contest. QSL direct via EB7DX.

INDONESIA, YB. Budi, YF1AR is QRV as YF1AR/3 from the Sembilangan Lighthouse, ARLHS IDO-076, on Madura Island, IOTA OC-037, until July 29. Activity is on the HF bands using mainly SSB with some CW and digital modes. QSL via N2OO.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The RSGB IOTA Contest, SKCC CW Sprint, CWops Mini-CWT CW Test, QRP CW Fox Hunt, NCCC RTTY Sprint, NCCC Sprint, US Counties QSO Party, New Jersey QSO Party and the ARS CW Flight of the Bumblebees are all on tap for this upcoming weekend. Please see page 80 in the July 2013 issue of QST and the ARRL and WA7BNM Contest web sites for details.
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21422. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-07-26 14:01:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21422

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:Issued: 2013 Jul 26 1235 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30726
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 26 Jul 2013, 1207UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 26 Jul 2013 until 28 Jul 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 26 Jul 2013 10CM FLUX: 109 / AP: 017
PREDICTIONS FOR 27 Jul 2013 10CM FLUX: 111 / AP: 005
PREDICTIONS FOR 28 Jul 2013 10CM FLUX: 114 / AP: 003
COMMENT:Catania sunspot group 35 (NOAA AR 1800) kept the beta-gamma configuration
of its photospheric magnetic field and exhibited a slight growth during the
last 24 hours. It produced a C2.1 flare peaking at 22:44 UT yesterday,
which is the strongest flare since the beginning of the week. We expect
more C-class flares from this active region, with M-flares being very
unlikely. Yesterday the Earth entered the interaction region between the
slow and fast solar wind flows (with the fast flow produced by the
equatorial coronal hole currently situated in the western hemisphere). The
interplanetary sector boundary was crossed early yesterday afternoon, and
the interplanetary magnetic field (IMF) magnitude reached 15 nT, with
several intervals of southward IMF. As a result, the K-index reported by
Dourbes, IZMIRAN, and NOAA reached 4 (active geomagnetic conditions). The
peak speed of the fast stream was around 600 km/s (reached this morning).
Currently the Earth is still inside the fast solar wind stream, with the
speed around 550 km/s. As the IMF magnitude already decreased to 5-7 nT, we
expect unsettled to quiet geomagnetic conditions in the coming hours.
Active geomagnetic conditions are nevertheless possible, although not very
likely.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 051, BASED ON 10 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 25 Jul 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 096
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 107
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 029
AK WINGST : 016
ESTIMATED AP : 015
ESTIMATED ISN : 056, BASED ON 21 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
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NONE
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21423. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1121

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-07-26 16:00:12 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 21423 Message: 21423

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Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin No. 1121

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*** EDITOR'S SPECIAL NOTICE: This week's bulletin was sent out earlier than normal to accommodate the late RSGB IOTA Contest announcements. Also, we wanted to provide the readers with a consolidated listing of the RSGB IOTA Contest participants.

DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Saturday, 20th-July, through Friday, 26th-July there were 211 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3B9, 3D2, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4X, 5A, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5W, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9V, 9Y, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C6, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, F, FG, FK, FM, FO, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HC8, HH, HI, HK, HK0/a, HL, HP, HR, HS, HZ, I, IS, J2, J6, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JX, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KH9, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OJ0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ7, PY, PY0F, PZ, R1FJ, S2, S5, S7, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T5, T7, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TR, TT, TU, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V4, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VP2E, VP2V, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VR, VU, XE, XU, YA, YB, YI, YJ, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZD7, ZD8, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS

2U, GUERNSEY (Satellite Op!) Peter, 2E0SQL, is now active as 2U0SQL from Guernsey (IN89RL) until July 30th. Activity will be sporadic on the satellite passes. He will be focusing on FO-29 and SO-50 passes. Peter states, "... no firm pass times, but hopefully will have internet access and will

try posting on Twitter (@2E0SQL) when I'll be on." Due that he is camping, Peter will be battery powered using a FT-817 and a Arrow antenna. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

5A, LIBYA. Abubaker, DL1AL, is now active as 5A1AL near Tripoli. Activity so far has been on 40/30/20/6 meters CW. He informs OPDX that he will be active on the HF bands and 6 meters using CW and SSB [at the moment for PSK, the modem does not work yet]. QSL via DL1AL.

5Q2, DENMARK. Paolo, I2AE, will be on holiday and a big radio tour as 5Q2AE from Denmark starting July 27th. He plans to activate OZFF, DEN, WCA, IOTA and DIA reference numbers. Paolo suggests to look for him on 14244 and 7144 kHz SSB only, and possibly on 50144 and 18144 kHz. QSL via I2AE, direct or by the Bureau. SWL send him an E-mail. To view his route on a map and other detailed info, see: http://www.qrz.com/db/I2AE

9A, CROATIA (28th EU STAR AWARD). The following is a press release from Mato, 9A3SM: "This award is issued by the Croatian Amateur Radio Association (HRS) to celebrate entry of the Republic of Croatia into the full membership of European Union as 28th member. Award is issued to all licensed amateur radio operators and SWL. Award requirements: 15 different special 9A28* callsigns and 15 countries members of European Union on any band or mode in period from July 1st to December 31st 2013. Log extract with evidence of payment should be sent to the address of HRS. Award fee is 5 ☐ or 8 USDs. Money transfer should be made to HRS bank account:
Zagrebacka banka, d.d. Paromlinska 2, 10 000 Zagreb
SWIFT: ZABAHR2X (CROATIA ☐ 28 EU STAR AWARD)
IBAN : HR4323600001101561569
Address for award application: HRVATSKI RADIOAMATERSKI SAVEZ, Dalmatinska 12, HR-10000 Zagreb, Croatia"

IOTA NEWS.............
JUST A REMINDER THAT THIS WEEKEND IS THE RSGB IOTA CONTEST!!!!!! Complete details and rules are available at:
http://www.rsgbcc.org/hf/iota.shtml
http://www.rsgbcc.org/hf/rules/2013/riota.shtml

AF-083. Feco, HA8KW, will be active as 3V8SM from the club station of the Tunisian Scouts on Jerba Island, Tunisia, between July 26th and August 1st. Activity will be holiday style CW only, but will include the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th), possibly as a 12-hour CW entry. He will use 100w and wire antennas. Jerba Island is in the Gabes/Medenine Region IOTA Group. QSL 3V8SM for this time frame only via HA8KW (HA Bureau or direct).

AS-006. Farid, VR2UNG, will be active from Hong Kong during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (20m)/ Low-Power entry. QSL via VR2FUN direct or LoTW.

EU-020. Anders, SM0THU, will be active as SM0THU/1 from Gotland during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th) as a Single-Op/CW-Mode/

12HRS/QRP entry. QSL via LoTW or by the Bureau.

EU-025. Giuseppe, IT9VDQ, will be active from Sicily Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th) as a Single-Op/Mixed-Mode entry. QSL direct to his home callsign.

EU-025. Mike, IF9ZWA, will be active as IT9/IF9ZWA from Sicily's mainland during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th) as a Single-Op/SSB-Mode/All-Band/12HRS entry. QSL via LoTW or direct to his home callsign.

EU-047. German operators have once again activated the special callsign DM50IOTA, but this time from Borkum Island between now and July 28th. Activity will include the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th). QSL via DL2VFR, by the Bureau or direct. For more details and updates, visit the QRZ.com Web site or: http://www.iota-expedition.com
ADDED NOTES: This is the fourth German Island group activated by DM50IOTA during the 50th IOTA Marathon. DM50IOTA will activate all German IOTAs during that time. If you have worked DM50IOTA from all German IOTAs by the end of 2013, you can apply for a special award. The German team plans to activate the following IOTAs later in the year:
EU-057 - Hiddensee Island; September 28th and October 3rd
EU-129 - Usedom Island; October 16-17th

EU-048. Members of the Lanester ARC (F6KPQ) will be active as TM2BI from Belle Île en Mer between now and July 31st. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. They will also be in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th). Operators mentioned David/F4FDA, Mickael/F4FFZ, Gwena/F4FHZ and Nath, Chris/F5CBQ, François/F5JNE, Phil/F5PHW and Jean-François/F6DZD. QSL via F6KPQ, direct or by the Bureau or LoTW.

EU-054. Antonino, IT9RDG, will be active as IF9/IT9RDG from Favigna Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th) as a Single-Op/SSB-Mode/All-Band/12HRS entry. QSL via LoTW or direct to his home callsign.

EU-054. Sal, IT9BXR, will once again be active as IF9/IT9BXR from Favignana Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th) as a Single-Op/CW-Mode/24HRS/Low-Power entry. QSL via IT9BXR.

EU-068. The Gull Team will be active as TM5KD from Sein Island between July 26th (1300z) and July 30th (1100z). Operators mentioned are Bastien/F4EYQ and Jieli, and Jean-François/F4EYR. They will be in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th).

EU-073. (Update/Change) Members of the Taranto ARMI section and the 599 DX Team will once again be active as IJ7T from San Pietro Isle (IIA TA-002) between July 26-28th. Activity will be on the HF bands, 6 and 2 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes.

They will participate in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th).
Operators mentioned are I7LGM, IK7MOF, IK7WDS, IZ7AUH, IZ7FMM,
IZ7LDC, IZ7NLZ and IZ8EGM. QSL via IZ7AUH, direct or by the
Bureau. QSL cards can also be requested via the OQRS on ClubLog.
For more information and updates, visit:
http://www.qrz.com/db/IJ7T
http://www.armi.ta.it
ADDED NOTE: All operators will sign IJ7/IQ7UJ from San Pietro
Isle (DCI-TA038, IIA-J002, MIA-MI094) on July 26th. QSL via
IZ7AUH.

EU-080. Members of the Demons DX'ers [EA1HET] <http://www.demonsdxers.es>
will be active as ED1K from Ons Island during the RSGB IOTA
Contest (July 27-28th) as a Multi-Op entry. Operators mentioned
are Nacho/EA1ND, Juan/EA1NK, Pablo/EA1NL, Enrique/EA1AJV,
Aki/EA1HV, Juan/EB1AIR, Leopoldo/EA1DGL, Pablo/EB1OU and
Nacho/EB1GER. QSL via EA1NK, direct or by the Bureau. QSL
card via direct to: Juan J .Lamas, P.O.Box 531, 15780 Santiago
de Compostela, Spain. Direct QSL requests via E-mail to:
juan@...
Sending SASE and 2 USDs/IRC for postal rates will be appreciated.
Paypal available. All other QSL cards will be sent via the
Bureau unless requested via direct.

EU-096. Tony, OH1TD, will be active from his summer home on Korpo Island
during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th) as a Single-Op/
All-Band entry. QSL via OH Bureau or direct to OH1TD.

EU-115. Olivier, ON4EI, will once again be active as EI8GQB and EI1A
between now and July 31st. He plans to operate from his caravan
using green energy. Olivier will activate the EI1A callsign
during the RSGB IOTA Contest July 27-28th. QSL via PA3249,
direct or by the Bureau. For more details, see OPDX.1119 or
visit: http://www.qrz.com/db/EI8GQB

EU-120. Members of the Addiscombe Amateur Radio Club will be active
as G4ALE/P from Isle of Wight during the RSGB IOTA Contest
(July 27-28th). Operators mentioned are Peter/G3SJX, Steve/
G3UFY and Mike/G3VYI. QSL via G4ALE.

EU-123. Tom, GM0FGI, will be active from the Isle of Bute (Scottish
Islands CL2, WW Loc IO75lr, WAB NS15) during the RSGB IOTA
Contest (July 27-28th) as a Single-Op/SSB-Mode/High-Power
entry. QSL via his home callsign, direct, by the Bureau or
LoTW. Visit his Web page at: http://www.kilchattan-bay.co.uk

EU-124. Members of the Luton VHF Group will be active as GW2L from
Holy Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th).
Operators mentioned are Ian/G1JCC, Don/G4LOO, Terry/G4UEM,
Andy/G8ATD and Bryan/M0BIK. The group will be staying in a
cottage for a week, so they will be on the HF bands after
the IOTA contest. Some of the group are also planning to

activate Holy Island mountain as a SOTA site during the week. QSL via G3SVJ. For more details, see: http://www.g3svj.org.uk

EU-130. In celebration of their 65th anniversary, members of the ARI VERONA DX TEAM will activate the Island of Santa Maria di Barbana (IIA GO -013) during the RSGB IOTA Contest 2013 (July 27-28th). Thanks to the collaboration of Father Gianfranco, J52OFM (one of J52EME-J52HF), they got authorization to operate 48 hours during the IOTA Contest 2013. The callsign to be used is II3VR/IV3. Operators mentioned are Walter/I3VJW, Ampelio/ IK3JBP and Silverio/IK3IUL. Activity will be on all bands, operating both on CW and SSB, in the category: Multi-Single/ All Mode/24 Hours. During the pre-contest and post-contest, operators will be active for a few hours and will be operating on the WARC bands. QSL via IQ3VO, direct or by the Bureau. For more details, see: http://www.ari.verona.it/veronadxteam/ii3vr-iv3.htm

EU-140. Kari, OH5TS, will be active from Kuorsalo Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via OH5TS or LoTW.

EU-140. Members of the OH5AD group and possibly others will be active as OG5A from Suuri-Musta Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th) as a Multi-Single/DXpedition entry. QSL via OH5AD or OG5A by the Bureau. Operators mentioned are Simo/ OH5GIO, Timo/OH5GJZ and Vili/OH5GEV.

EU-186. Last year, members of the Turkish group called TCSWAT (Special Wireless Activity Team) activated Kefken Island (AS-159) for the IOTA Contest. This year Gokceada Island (EU-186) will be activated for the contest. The team will be consisting of Metin/TA1ED, Tevfik/TA1HZ, Murat/TA1PB, Yasar/TA3D and Ali/ TA7EB. Claimed by 41.4% of participants, Gokceada lies on the northern part of Agean Sea and is a well-known tourist destination <http://www.gokceada.gov.tr/>. Their radios include a Kenwood TS-480, Kenwood TS-570 and Yaesu FT-857D. The antennas they will be using are a Windom 80-10m wire antenna and a 5-element Spiderbeam on top of a Gipiderbeam Al mast. Station will be powered by a generator. The team hopes to arrive on the Island Friday evening and will depart Sunday evening. QSL cards will be printed at the end of December, and will be distributed to QSL Bureaus from Messe in 2014. TCSWAT will QSLs 100%, so please do not hurry.

NA-014. Operators Kevin/VE9MY and Linda/VE9GLF will be active as home-call/p from Deer Island (CISA NB-005) before, during and after the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th). Both callsigns will be used as a Single-Op/SSB-Mode/Low-Power entries. QSL both call-signs via their home callsigns, LoTW, direct or by the Bureau (preferred - E-mail requests are accepted). Visit: http://qsl.net/ve9my

NA-045. Keith, K5ENS, will be active as XE3/K5ENS from Isla Mujeres (WLOTA 1716, WWFF XEFF-020) during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th) as a Single-Op/SSB-Mode/All-Band/Low-Power entry. He is expected to be here until July 31st. QSL via LoTW or direct to his home callsign.

NA-050. Rick, K6VVA, will make his FOURTH attempt to activate Barter Island. He hopes this effort from NA-050 during a predicted propagation period will have OK condx and have at less 2 days of decent operations. Be advised there could be delays reaching NA-050 due to local area "fog". If this re-booked FOURTH attempt at NA-050 is a "GO", Rick will make a Twitter post <http://www.twitter.com/k6vva> from the airport by 0130 UTC on 30 JULY 2013. For more details, see: http://www.k6vva.com/iota/na050

NA-112. Wilson, KS4S, will be active from Sunset Beach Island, NC, during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th) as a Single-Op/ CW-Mode/Low-Power entry. QSL via KS4S.

NA-148. Scott, NE1RD, will be active as NE1RD/1 from Georges Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th) as a Single-Op/ SSB-Mode/12HRS/QRP entry. QSL via his home callsign.

OC-021. Pri, YB0ECT, will be active from Java Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (20m)/ CW-Mode/Low-Power entry. QSL via W2FB.

OC-109/ (Update) The DX-World.net is reporting that operators John/ OC-122. YB5NOF, Anton/YB5QZ, Joni/YB9WZJ and YE5WM will activate Natuna Selatan (OC-109) as YE5S and Tambelan (OC-122) as YE5T very soon. The first activity will be from Tambelan after August 8th. Natuna Selatan activity afterwards, all weather dependent. QSL via W2FB.

OC-143. Zen, YB0MZI, will be active as YB0MZI/4 from Sumatra Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th) as a Single-Op/ Low-Power entry. QSL via LoTW.

SA-018. Javier, CA7CAQ, will be active from Chiloe Island (WW Loc FE36fu) during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th) as a Single-Op entry. QSL via CA7CAQ direct.

SA-030. Members of the Radiogrupo Sur will be active as CV5A from Flores Island (WLOTA LH-0528, ARLHS URU-001) between August 15-18th. Their activity will coincide with the International Lighthouse Lightship Weekend (ILLW). Activity will be on all bands and modes. For more details, see: http://cv5a.cx.uy

J7, DOMINICA. Operators Gerry/WA6POZ and Terry/N0TW will be active as J79GF and J79TW, respectively, from the Sea Cliff Cottages on the NE side of Dominica (NA-101) between July 30th and August 7th. Both operators will be taking IC-706's and some wire antennas, for 10, 15, and 20 meters.

They both plan to be active in the 10-10 SUMMER QSO Party on August 3-4th. Gerry informs OPDX, "It is mainly going to be SSB, but I am bringing a key. I don't know much about the accommodations so we plan on just to have some hamming and do a little site seeing. QSL via their home call-signs. Gerry does use LoTW.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (July 29th-August 4th)....
Jul/29th AN Aug/01st HN Aug/03rd AN
Jul/30th AN Aug/02nd AN Aug/04th AN
Jul/31st HN

SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS/INDEXES AND GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE
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NORMALITY GEOMAG K Values Alpha
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AN - Above Normal Quiet K=0-1 0-7
HN - High Normal Unsettled K=2 8-15
LN - Low Normal Active K=3 16-29
BN - Below Normal Minor Storm K=4 30-49
DIS - Disturbed Major Storm K=5 50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed Severe Storm K=6-9 100-400

NCDXF PRESS RELEASE (NCDXC Donates 8,000 USDs To NCDXF). Glenn Johnson, W0GJ, Vice President of NCDXF, sent out the following on July 23rd [edited]: "At their July 20, 2013 picnic, the Northern California DX Club presented a check for 8,000 USDs to the Northern California DX Foundation. NCDXF President Rusty Epps (W6OAT) stated, 'This donation, the largest ever received from a Club, will help to provide critical funding to DXpedtions high on the Most Wanted List. Often without support such DXpedtions would not be possible. We are very grateful for this donation and value our partnership with NCDXC.' Credit for the success of NCDXF is made possible by our contributors, individuals and clubs, who help make DX happen. Joining or renewing membership has never been easier. Please visit our website at <http://www.ncdxf.org>."
For more details and a photo of the check being presented, go to the NCDXC Web page at: http://www.ncdxc.org

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (For July 26th)

4L1MA via ON4RU IR3Z via IN3XUG RL70BR via UA3YY
4O/UA3RF via UA3RF IR4X via I4EAT RN1CR/0 via RN1CR
4X19MG via 4Z1TL IS0/DL8JJ/M via DL8JJ RX9AF via UA9AB (d,B)
6O0LA via LA4GHA JW/DL2GW via DL2GW SE0X via SM0MDG (L)
9A/OM8AA via OM8AA LA/DL2JRM via DL2JRM SJ1SOP via SM1TDE
9A/VE3ZIK via DK8ZZ LY55SOP via LY5W SM/DG5CST via DG5CST
9A20RRC via RZ3EC LZ0I via LZ1BJ SM6XVI via PA3FUJ
9A281AA via 9A1AA OD5TX via W4JS SN0EL via SP1KRF
9A281RBZ via 9A1RBZ OH1K via OH1JO SN1D via SP1RKT
9A282DX via 9A2DX OJ0R via G3TXF SN9U via SP9UMJ
9A282N via 9A2N OL2013CM via OK2KYD SV1/SV2CLJ via SV2CLJ

BD2FW/2 via BD2FW OL7T via OK2BXU SV5/OH2FUW via OH2FUW
BY4IB/4 via BY4IB (d,L) OO3BZ via ON3BZ SV5/OK2ZV/P via OK2ZV
BY7RA/7 via BA4EG OO4ACW via ON4ACW SV8/OE5GWP via OE5GWP
CS250CLE via CS5RPT OO4AEK via ON4AEK (L) SV8/PD0ARI via PD0ARI
CT8/CT3FN via HB9CRV OO4BAF via ON6KN SW8LR via HA0NAR
E718S via 9A3JB OO4VDV via ON4VDV UI2K via UA2FZ
ED5W via EA5DWS OO8DM via ON8DM (L) UP0L via DL8KAC
EG1ETG via EA1RCI PA6XX via PF0R UT0U via UT2UB
EG5FPN via EA7HBC PY0F/PP1CZ via PP1CZ W4O via N4YDU
HA150GG via HA6FQ (d) R13CWC via RZ4NWA YP13S via YO8AXP
HF450NS via SP3KEY R20RRC/0 via RZ3EC YR5TF via YO5BFJ
IC8/OM5RW via OM5RW R20RRC/1 via RZ3EC YR8D via YO8KRR
II9HY via IQ9DE R55TV via RU9AAA Z350SKOPJE via Z37RSM
IM0/I0PNM via I0PNM (d) RA9AFV via UA9AB (d,B) ZX1WYD via PY1AA
IM0SDX via IS0SDX RI0NZ via UA0LCZ
(e) eQSL only (d) direct only (B) Bureau only (L) LoTW only

C37UN (QSL by the Bureau or direct): Unio de Radioaficionats Andorrans, P.O. Box 1150, Andorra la Vela 553, Andorra.

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 1A0C, 4K5D, 4O/YO3JW/P, 4U1ITU, 5T0SP, 5U9AMO, 8P2K, 8P9AA, A45XR, A61DJ, A92IO, AC4LN/6Y5, CN8KD, CW5W, FJ/N5WR, FJ/N5WR, FS/K9EL, II0ESA, J28AA, JW9DFA, JY9ET, KH6FOC, MU0FAL, NP4Z, OX3FV, PJ4/K5KG, PJ4LS, PJ5/K3TRM, TT8TT, VK7CW, XT2TT, XV9DT, YI1RZ and ZM1A

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 5W0M, CE2/CX1EK, CY9M, FS/K9EL, H40T, H44G, HC2IWM/8, HT2N, NH8S, T31A and Z81X

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: C4Z, E21DYP, HS0ZIN, TF4X and VK4KEE

TF, ICELAND (Special Event). Operators Villi/TF3DX and Lenio/PY3DF will activate the special event station TF3ESP from the Harpa Conference Centre in Reykjavik during the 98th Esperanto World Conference until July 27th, and sporadically after that date. Operations include SSB and CW. QSL via TF3DX.

TK13, CORSICA (IOTAs Op!). Laurent, F8BBL, will be active as TK13RNB [Radio Nature Balade] from Corsica (EU-014, DIFM TK-001, MIA MCO-001, WLOTA 1390, DDFM 2A) between July 27th and August 10th, in the Cargese location. Operators Michel (TK/F5OZF) and Solange (TK/F5RXL) will also be with him. There will be daily activity, but holiday style on 80-10 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. He will be running 100 watts using a FT-857 into a M1 vertical antenna. During their stay, they will also activate the following:
* Monday, August 5th: Trip to Sanguinaires Island (EU-104, DIFM TK-002, DDFM 2A, Grid Squ. JN41HV); Callsign TK13RNB/p.
* Thursday, August 8th: SOTA activity from Erbaghiolu (SOTA TK-158); Callsign TK13RNB/p.

QSL via F8BBL <http://rnb.dx-cw.net>, direct or by the REF Bureau (only this Bureau, please) or LoTW. Log search via ClubLog.

TO7, MAYOTTE (Early Announcement). Hartwig, DL7BC, will once again be active as FH/DL7BC from Mayotte (AF-027) between March 21st and April 4th, 2014. Activity will be from Bruno's, DH1BL/FH4VOS, QTH. Operations will be on 20-10 meters (40m possibly) plus participation in CQWW WPX SSB Contest signing TO7BC. He will use 100 watts into a SpiderBeam. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau. For more details, visit his Web site at: http://www.qslnet.de/member/dl7bc/en_TO7BC.htm

YOUTUBE VIDEO (The Amsterdam Island Expedition - 2014). Ralph Fedor, K0IR, posted the following video on YouTube this past week, and states, "This video describes the collective expedition adventures of the 14 men who will travel to Amsterdam Island in January of 2014. The team is made up of 14 amateur radio operators from around the world." The video is almost 7 minutes and can be viewed at: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0qHkdADyxuA#at=95

ZS8, MARION ISLAND. The "DX-World.net" reports that a new YL operator Nadia, ZS8A, will soon be active. Meanwhile, propagation and busy working schedules have kept David/ZS8Z and Carson/ZS8C operating on limited time.

The following stations are expected to be active in the
RSGB IOTA Contest (July 27-28th, 2013)

Thanks to Bill, NG3K, for providing OPDX readers with the following consolidated listing of the participants in the 2013 RSGB IOTA Contest. For a more detailed listing (and up-to-date changes/corrections) in HTML format, please visit Bill's Web page at:
http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/iota2013.html

Contest DXCC IOTA Island QSL Route-(B)Bureau/
Callsign Entity (e)eQSL/(L)LoTW/(d)direct

3V8SM Tunisia AF-083 Jerba HA8KW [this op only] or
QSL via (B,d)
4O/RK3RB/p Montenegro EU-163 Sv Nikola RK3RB; QSL via (B,d)
(GS only, no IRCs)
4O/UA3RF/p Montenegro EU-163 Sv Nikola UA3RF; QSL via (B,d)
(GS only, no IRCs)
5R8NE Madagascar AF-057 Nosy Be IK2DUW
9A/AC6DD Croatia EU-110 Sveti Nikola AC6DD
9A/HA9MDN Croatia EU-170 Vir HA9MDN; QSL via (B,e)
9A/HA0KA Croatia EU-170 Pag HA0KA
9A/IV3LZQ Croatia EU-110 Sveti Nikola IV3LZQ (D)
9A/OM2FY Croatia EU-170 Kaprije OM2FY
9A/OM5AW Croatia EU-136 Krk OM2FY
9A/OM8AA Croatia EU-016 Solta OM8AA
9A/OO7T/p Croatia EU-016 Brac OO7T (B)
9A1RAB Croatia EU-136 Rab 9A4KJ (B)
9A8DV Croatia EU-016 Drvenik Veli IK6VXO
9A0D Croatia EU-170 Zirje DK8ZZ; auto QSL via (B)
9M2FB West Malaysia AS-074 Pulau Ketam 9M2FB

9M8Z East Malaysia OC-088 Borneo LoTW; QSL via M0URX (B,d)
BA4TB/4 China AS-135 Dongxilang BA4TB
BA4WL/5 China AS-137 Liuheng BD4WO (D)
BP0A Taiwan AS-103 Peng Hu BP0A
BY4IB China AS-146 Jiming LoTW; QSL via BA4EG (B)
BY7RA/7 China AS-139 Weizhou BA4EG
CA7CAQ Chile SA-018 Chiloe CA7CAQ (D)
CF2I Canada NA-128 Ile Verte LoTW; QSL via VE2CQ
CQ9D Madeira AF-046 Deserta CT3KN
CS5DX Portugal EU-040 Bugio CS5DX
CT7ACG Portugal EU-145 Culatra LoTW; QSL via CT7ACG
DG5LAC/p Germany EU-047 Juist LoTW; QSL via DARC (B,d,e)
DL1WA/p Germany EU-129 Usedom
DL5KUD Germany EU-057 Ruegen DL5KUD (B)
DL8DZL/p Germany EU-129 Usedom DL8DZL
DM3X/p Germany EU-129 Goermitz DM3X (B)
DM50IOTA Germany EU-047 Borkum DL2VFR; QSL via DARC (B,d)
DP3D/p Germany EU-057 Ummanz eQSL
ED1K Spain EU-080 Ons EA1NK
EF8X Canary Islands AF-004 Tenerife W2GR
EI1A Ireland EU-115 Mainland
EI7M Ireland EU-115 Mainland EI6HB
EI9HX Ireland EU-115 Mainland
EJ1Y Ireland EU-006 Inishmore EI5JQ
EJ5KF Ireland EU-121 Bere EI5KF
EJ0A Ireland EU-006 Inishere EI4GXB; QSL via (B,d)
ES5GP/8 Estonia EU-178 Kihnu
ES0U Estonia EU-034 Saaremaa ES2DJ
F4FET/p France EU-157 Cezembre F4FET
F6KOP/p France EU-064 Noirmoutier F6KOP (B)
G4ALE/p England EU-120 Isle of Wight G4ALE
G7N England EU-120 Isle of Wight G5XV
GJ2A Jersey EU-013 Jersey LoTW; QSL via GJ3DVC
GJ6YB Jersey EU-013 Jersey G3SWH
GM2T Scotland EU-008 Tiree LoTW; QSL via GM4UYZ (d)
GM7A Scotland EU-008 Isle of Gigha GM7AAJ
GM7O Scotland EU-008 Isle of Skye GW3SQX
GM7V Scotland EU-010 Benbecula N3SL
GM0ADX Scotland EU-008 Isle of Skye GM0DJG
GM0FGI Scotland EU-123 Isle of Bute LoTW; QSL via GM0FGI (B)
GV4AFJ England EU-005 Great Britain G4AFJ
GV0OBX/p Scotland EU-123 Inchcolm GM0OBX
GW2L Wales EU-124 Holy G3SVJ
GW8K Wales EU-124 Flatholm MW0DHF
HQ3W Honduras NA-160 Cochino Pequeno KD4POJ
IA5/OO4O Italy EU-028 Elba LoTW
IC8FBU Italy EU-031 Capri IC8FBU (B)
IC8WIC Italy EU-031 Capri IC8WIC
ID8/IQ8CS Italy EU-144 Dino IQ8CS; QSL via (B,d)
IE9DX Italy EU-051 Ustica IK6JRI; QSL via (B,d)

IF9/IT9BXR Italy EU-054 Favigna IT9BXR (B)
IF9/IT9RDG Italy EU-054 Favigna LoTWB; QSL via IT9RDG (d)
IH9YMC Italy AF-018 Pantelleria eQSL
II3VR/IV3 Italy EU-130 Santa Maria di Barban IQ3VO (d, B)
IJ7T Italy EU-073 San Pietro IZ7AUH; QSL via (OQRS,B,d)
IM0/I0PNM Italy EU-165 San Pietro I0PNM
IM0C Sardinia EU-165 San Pietro IS0BGL
IP1T Italy EU-083 Tino IZ5JLF
IR8R Italy EU-031 Ischia
IT9/IF9ZWA Italy EU-025 Sicily LoTW; QSL via IF9ZWA (B)
IT9RZU Italy EU-025 Sicily IT9RZU
IT9VDQ Italy EU-025 Sicily IT9VDQ
IV3NVN/p Italy EU-130 Anfora IV3NVN (B)
J48A Greece EU-075 Aegina SV1AON
J49A Crete EU-187 Dia LoTW; QSL via SV9GPV
JA4FHE/4 Japan AS-117 O-shima JA4FHE
JA8COE/8 Japan AS-147 Yagishiri JA8COE
JI3DST/1 Japan AS-008 Shikine JI3DST (B)
K1VSJ USA NA-046 Martha's Vineyard K1VSJ; QSL via (B,d)
K5HM/p USA NA-143 Pelican K5HM
K5KUA USA NA-143 Galveston K5KUA; QSL via (B,d)
K8GU/3 USA NA-140 Middle Hooper K8GU
KS4S USA NA-112 Sunset Beach KS4S
KT3Q/5 USA NA-143 Galveston DF8DX
LA/G3TTC/p Norway EU-061 Tjome G3TTC
LA2MOA Norway EU-141 Vardo LoTW; QSL via LA2MOA (B,d,e)
LN7H Norway EU-055 Bokn LA7H
LZ0I Bulgaria EU-181 Sveti Ivan
M7X England EU-120 Isle of Wight G0TSM
M8C England EU-011 St Mary's G4DFI
M0NMS/p England EU-120 Isle of Wight LX1NO
MM/DL6MHW Scotland EU-009 Orkney Main DL6MHW
MM/ON6QR Scotland EU-009 Orkney Main ON6QR
MM2N Scotland EU-009 Orkney LoTW; QSL via MM0GPZ
MM3I Scotland EU-123 Isle of Arran G3SWH; QSL via (B,d)
MM3KBU/p Scotland EU-010 South Uist M3KBU (d)
MM3T Scotland EU-123 Isle of Bute eQSL
MM6GCS/p Scotland EU-010 North Uist M6GCS; QSL via (B,d)
MU0HTJ Guernsey EU-114 Guernsey 2E0SQL; QSL via RSGB (B,d)
MZ5A Scotland EU-012 Shetland G3TXF
N1LI USA NA-137 Long N1LI
N2GC USA NA-026 Long LoTW; QSL via N2GC
NE1RD/1 USA NA-148 Georges NE1RD
OG5A Finland EU-140 Suuri Musta OG5A
OH1K Finland EU-140 Kaunissaari OH1JO; QSL via (B,d)
OH1TD Finland EU-096 Korpo OH1TD; QSL via (B,d)
OH5TS Finland EU-140 Kuorsalo LoTW; QSL via OH5TS
OH0V Aland Island EU-002 Aland OH6LI; QSL via OH0V
OJ0R Market Reef EU-053 Market Reef G3TXF
OZ/DL7CX Denmark EU-171 Mors DL7CX

OZ1IVA/p Denmark EU-088 Laeso OZ1IVA
OZ7BQ/p Denmark EU-171 Fur LoTW; QSL via OZ7BQ (B)
OZ0TX Denmark EU-125 Mando DL7AT
PA/ON6CQ Netherlands EU-146 Schouwen Duiveland ON6CQ; QSL via (B,d)
PE3V/p Netherlands EU-038 Ameland PE3V
PF10C Netherlands EU-146 Schouwen Duiveland ON4ON
PG13IOTA Netherlands EU-038 Texel PD1AKL
PP5VX Brazil SA-027 Sao Francisco PP5VX
PQ5M Brazil SA-027 Sao Francisco PP5BZ
PR5D Brazil SA-047 Ilha do Mel PY5DC (d)
PX8Z Brazil SA-060 Cotijuba PY8WW
PY0F/PP1CZ Fernando de Noronha SA-003 Fernando de Noronha PP1CZ
RI0NZ Russia (Asia) AS-066 Popov UA0LCZ; QSL via (B,d)
RK3SWB/1 Russia (Europe) EU-147 Berezhnoy Borshovets
SA1A Sweden EU-020 Gotland SM1TDE (B)
SF2X/p Sweden EU-135 Ledskar SM5EFX
SM5CKV/p Sweden EU-177 Harstena G0CKV
SM0THU/1 Sweden EU-020 Gotland LoTW; QSL via SM0THU (B)
SN0RX Poland EU-132 Wolin SP8RX
SV8/OM6NM Greece EU-174 Thassos OM6NM
SW8CC Greece EU-052 Zakynthos M5RIC
SW8LR Greece EU-174 Thassos HA0NAR
SW9GG Crete EU-015 Crete MM0GOR (B)
TC0GI Turkey AS-186 Gokceada TA1HZ (d)
TM2BI France EU-048 Belle Ile en Mer LoTW; QSL via F6KPQ (B,d)
TM5KD France EU-068 Sein
TM7T France EU-039 Grand Ile ON8ZL; QSL via (B,d)
UA1ZZ/p Russia (Europe) EU-162 Glov UA1ZZ
UR8GX/p Ukraine EU-179 Kalanch UR5GDX
V29SH Antigua NA-100 Antigua LoTW; QSL via VE6SH (d)
V47JA St Kitts & Nevis NA-104 St Kitts LoTW
VA2SG Canada NA-128 Ile aux Coudres VA2SG
VA7ISL Canada NA-036 Vancouver VE7JH
VE7DB Canada NA-091 Bowen VA7NX; QSL via (B/d)
VE9GLF/p Canada NA-014 Deer VE9GLF
VE9MY/p Canada NA-014 Deer VE9MY
VK3MEG Australia OC-136 Phillip LoTW
VK6MAB/p Australia OC-164 Rottnest VK6MAB; QSL via (B,d)
VR2KF Hong Kong AS-006 Ma Wan VR2KF
VR2UNG Hong Kong AS-006 Hong Kong LoTW; QSL via VR2FUN (d)
VY2TT Canada NA-029 Prince Edward VY2TT (B)
W4MY USA NA-067 Harkers W4MY
W4O USA NA-067 Ocracoke N4YDU (d)
WB8YJF/4 USA NA-067 Ocracoke WB8YJF
XE3/K5ENS Mexico NA-045 Isla Mujeres LoTW; QSL via K5ENS (d)
XF3/IZ2LSC Mexico NA-045 Isla Mujeres LoTW; QSL via EB7DX (d)
or IZ2LSC (B)
YB3EDD Indonesia OC-021 Java YB3EDD
YB3MM/7 Indonesia OC-166 Derawan IZ8CCW; QSL (d) or OQRS
YB0ECT Indonesia OC-021 Java W2FB

YB0MZI/4 Indonesia OC-143 Sumatra LoTW
YF1AR/3 Indonesia OC-237 Madura N2OO
YP13S Romania EU-183 Sacalinu Mare YO8AXP (d)
ZV1M Brazil SA-029 Ilha Grande PY1MT; QSL via (B,d)

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21424. ARLP030 Propagation de K7RA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-07-26 21:24:58 UTC
From: jjreisert@...
Topic: 5402 Message: 21424

SB PROP @ ARL $ARLP030
ARLP030 Propagation de K7RA

ZCZC AP30
QST de W1AW
Propagation Forecast Bulletin 30 ARLP030
>From Tad Cook, K7RA
Seattle, WA July 26, 2013
To all radio amateurs

SB PROP ARL ARLP030
ARLP030 Propagation de K7RA

At 2330 UTC on July 24, Australia's IPS Radio and Space services issued a geomagnetic disturbance warning. Increased geomagnetic activity is expected due to a coronal mass ejection. They predict quiet to unsettled conditions on July 25, active to minor storm on July 26, and active conditions on July 27.

As this bulletin nears release early Friday morning, the planetary A index was 4 on four recent readings, followed by 2 on the last one. But the mid-latitude K index was 4 on three recent readings, then 5 on the last two. Geomagnetic activity is increasing, as expected.

Over the past reporting week, compared to the previous period (July 11 to 17) average daily sunspot numbers decreased by less than four points to 73.4, while average daily solar flux declined slightly more than three points to 110.6.

NOAA/USAF predicts Planetary A Index at 18 on July 26, 12 on July 27, 8 on July 28, 5 on July 29 to 31, 8 on August 1, 5 on August 2 to 8, 8 on August 9 to 11, 5 on August 12 and 13, 8 on August 14 and 15, 5 on August 16 and 17, 10 on August 18, 15 on August 19 to 22, and then 8, 5 and 8 on August 23 to 25.

The outlook for solar flux calls for 105 on July 26 and 27, then 110, 115, 120, 125, 130, 135, 130, 125, 120, 125, 120 and 125 on July 28 through August 8, 120 on August 9 to 12, 115 on August 13, 120 on August 14 to 17, 125 on August 18, 120 on August 19 and 20, and 125 on August 21 to 23. The latest projection shows a short term solar flux peak at 135 on September 4 and 5 after a minimum of 100 on August 27 and 28.

OK1MGW from the Czech Propagation Interest Group sees quiet to active geomagnetic conditions on July 26 and 27, quiet to unsettled July 28 and 29, quiet on July 30 and 31, quiet to unsettled August 1, quiet to active August 2, active to disturbed August 3, quiet

August 4, mostly quiet August 5, active to disturbed August 6 and 7, quiet to unsettled August 8 to 11, quiet August 12 and 13, quiet to active August 14 and 15, and quiet to unsettled August 16 and 17.

Juan Carlos, CO8TW lives in Santiago de Cuba, about 600 miles southeast of Havana. He put up a new propagation web site that has many useful features and an interesting mix of information. Check it out at http://www.qsl.net/co8tw/pro.htm.

Another interesting propagation page I ran across recently is at http://qrzcq.com/page/propagation.

G4CJC has a 10 meter report at http://www.southgatearc.org/bands/10metres/.

The NOAA/NWS Space Weather Prediction center has a Facebook page at https://www.facebook.com/pages/NOAA-NWS-Space-Weather-Prediction-Center/232532740131296.

Note the July 16 article about the K index,and a map of North America showing how high the planetary K index has to be in order to see aurora borealis from any location. For my location near Puget Sound, it seems to say a K index at 8 or higher would be good. But for Northern Minnesota and North Dakota a K index of only 4 seems adequate. Of course on Facebook is the always timely and useful page from NW7US titled "Space Weather and Radio Resources at HFRadio.org", at https://www.facebook.com/pages/NOAA-NWS-Space-Weather-Prediction-Center/232532740131296.

David Moore sent an interesting article from The Guardian about the Met Office now offering coverage of space weather. Met originally was short for meteorological but now is the official name for the British weather and climate service. Read it at http://www.guardian.co.uk/news/2013/jul/23/met-office-space-weather-forecasting.

There also is yet another article about the current solar cycle being the weakest in the past 100 years, this time from Sky and Telescope: http://www.skyandtelescope.com/news/The-Weakest-Solar-Cycle-in-100-Years-216752671.html.

Jeff Hartley, N8II of Shepherdstown, West Virginia wrote in response to the comment last week about the lack of 6 meter openings into DM04. Jeff is in FM19, and wrote on July 20, "It has not been a good Es season from here, but we have had several multi-hop openings since July 1 mostly out into Arizona and New Mexico along with one to Oregon, Washington, and VE7. Only once did I catch Europe and it was only to France and Portugal. So, I am not too surprised that many are disappointed with their 6 meter openings this year. Even the 20 meter E-skip is much less frequent than normal this year."

"Today, July 20 there was a Russian sponsored contest and in a few short minutes I heard/worked strong stations from HS, YD, BH8, UN, and UA9 on 15 meter CW around 1245Z. This was the best shape in which I have heard 15 in some time."

On July 19, Jon Pollock, K0ZN of De Soto, Kansas wrote, "Even though sunspot numbers have been modest, I was on last night (July 18) between about 0130-0330 UTC (on 17 meters) and from my QTH in Eastern Kansas I worked several stations in the Central Pacific including E51AND in the Cook Islands and some ZL's, all on CW and with decent (but not strong) signals. Interestingly, on both ends of these QSO's we were running high power into basic unity gain antennas and only netted about S-5 signals, so path loss was moderately high. But, the bottom line is, 18 MHz was open into the Pacific from Kansas well into the late evening. I still find that if 17 meters sounds 'dead' with low noise, it is usually open with very long skip and the main problem is a lack of activity, not a lack of propagation."

Good point, Jon. You can also listen for beacons if you suspect a quiet band is not actually dead (or make some calls.), or get a trial account at QupNow (see http://q-upnow.com/) and click on HF Availability. This relies on up-to-the-minute global measurements of TEC (Total Electron Content in the ionosphere), and allows you to test propagation on any path, but only for the current time. It shows the relative signal strength all long that path, from your QTH to the target location and continuing on out the other side over the great circle route. Note that it also works on 160 meters. You can either enter coordinates for both locations, or it may be more convenient to use the grid square entry method.

Don May, N5DN of Houston, Texas pointed out that on July 25, Spaceweather.com ran an article about the weak solar cycle titled "Underwhelming". "Kinda makes a DXer want to cry.", weeps Don, and we can all certainly empathize. But, there is still room for hope. The article also said, "Solar physicist Dean Pesnell of the Goddard Space Flight Center thinks Solar Cycle 24 is double peaked--and the second peak is yet to come." If you can't find the article and accompanying graphic, go to http://www.spaceweather.com/ and enter July 25 in the Archives drop-downs in the upper right.

Chip Margelli, K7JA of Garden Grove, California (DM03) wrote "Although 6 meters has been terrible this year, I did just work KH6HME (KH7Y operating) on 144.276.5 MHz on SSB and CW. Fred started at 5x1 and came up to about 5x5. Time was 1857 UTC on 25 July. Good to hear Fred activating Paul Lieb's memorial callsign." Chip notes that Fred was running 80 watts and an 8 element Yagi from Mauna Loa. Chip was running 100 watts using a TS-2000 and an 8 element LFA Yagi ten feet above his roof.

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service at http://arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals. For an explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin, see http://arrl.org/the-sun-the-earth-the-ionosphere. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at http://arrl.org/w1aw-bulletins-archive-propagation. More good

information and tutorials on propagation are at http://k9la.us/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://arrl.org/propagation.

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Sunspot numbers for July 18 through 24 were 112, 94, 57, 49, 53, 84, and 65, with a mean of 73.4. 10.7 cm flux was 114.8, 113.6, 112.5, 109.4, 109.9, 106.7, and 107.6, with a mean of 110.6. Estimated planetary A indices were 15, 14, 6, 5, 6, 5, and 5, with a mean of 8. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 16, 13, 6, 4, 6, 5, and 6, with a mean of 8.
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21425. IRCs For Sale

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-07-27 03:14:30 UTC
From: K1XN
Topic: 21402 Message: 21425

Current IRCs For Sale.
$1.35 each postage paid mailing to you (USA ONLY)
10 IRCs Minimum order please
Email me for availability.
golist@...

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John K1XN
golist(at)gmail.com

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ATTEND This Years
W4DXCC DX CONVENTION
Pigeon Forge, Tennessee
September 27-28 2013

21426. 425 DX News - #1160

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-07-27 11:54:37 UTC
From: r_brothers
Topic: 21426 Message: 21426

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**** DX INFORMATION ****
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3V - Feco, HA8KW will be active holiday style as 3V8SM from Djerba Island (AF-083) from 26 July to 1 August, including possibly a 12-hour CW entry in the IOTA Contest. He will operate CW only from the Tunisian Scouts' local club station. QSL for this operation only via HA8KW, direct or bureau. [TNX HA0HW]
5H - Byron, KF8UN will go on safari in Tanzania on 2-20 August and will be QRV as 5H3BB mainly on 20 metres SSB, with maybe some CW and activity on 15 and 40 metres. QSL via home call. [TNX The Daily DX]
9A - Tom 9A2AA, Neno 9A5N and Tibi HA3HP will try to operate from 50-60 different Croatian islands between 3 and 11 August. They plan to be QRV "from early morning to late evening", exact locations will be mentioned during the QSOs. [TNX 9A2AA]
8Q - Herbert, DL7AHF and Michael, DG8MH are active as 8Q7HF and 8Q7MH from the Maldives (AS-013) until 11 August. They do not expect to participate in the IOTA Contest. QSL via home calls, direct and bureau. [TNX DX Newsletter]
CT8 - Nuno, CT1EEK will be active as CR1D from Pico Island (EU-175), Azores from 30 July to 5 August. He will be QRV on 20-10 metres, and maybe 80 and 40m. QSL via CT1EEK. [TNX The Daily DX]
CX - A large group of operators from Radiogrupo Sur will be active on all bands and modes as CV5A from Flores Island (SA-030) and lighthouse on 15-18 August. QSL via CX2ABC. Further information can be found at http://cv5a.cx.uy [TNX rsgbiota.org]
F - Bastien, F4EYQ and Jean-Francois, F4EYR will be active as TM5KD from Sein Island (EU-068) on 26-30 July, including an entry in the IOTA Contest. QSL via F5KKD. [TNX F5NQL]
F - Geoffrey F4FVI, Johan F4GTD, Pierre F4GXS, Maurice F5NQL, Philippe F5TRO and Nicolas F8BDB will be active as TM2NOI from Noirmoutier Island (EU-064) on 9-11 August. They will operate SSB, CW and digital modes. QSL via F4FVI (direct or bureau), eQSL and LoTW. Further information can be found at http://www.qrz.com/db/TM2NOI [TNX F4FVI]
G - The Blandford Garrison Amateur Radio Club will operate special event station GB60KW between 26 July and 4 August to commemorate the 60th anniversary of the cessation of the Korean War. GB60KW will be operating using both CW and SSB on the HF bands (plus FM

on the 70cm band) with both vintage and modern radio equipment. QSl via bureau. Further information can be found on qrz.com. [TNX G0ZEP]
HC - Emanuele, IK2OHG will be active as HC2IOH from Ecuador from 10 August to 12 September. He will operate holiday style on 40-10 metres mainly CW, with some SSB and RTTY. QSL via IK2OHG, direct or bureau, and LoTW.
I - Alberto, IT9MRM will be active from Isola delle Palme (EU-025, S029 for the Italian Islands Award) on 5-9 August. On 11 August look for IT9MRM/p, IT9EJW/p and IW9FRB/p to operate SSB and CW from Isola Forte Vittoria e Garzia (EU-025, IIA S036). QSL via home calls. [TNX IT9MRM]
J7 - Gerald, WA6POZ will be active as J79GF from Dominica (NA-101) from 31 July to 7 August. QSL via home call (direct) and LoTW.
KL - Rick, K6VVA has rebooked his fourth attempt at operating from Barter Island (NA-050) between 31 July and 4 August. "This effort is to hopefully be QRV on NA-050 during a predicted period of OK condx and have at 2 days of decent operations", he says. If this time everything appears to be a 'go', he will make a Twitter post from the airport by 01.30 UTC on 30 July. Look for K6VVA/KL7 to operate mainly CW on 40, 30, 20 and 17 metres. QSL via N6AWD, direct and bureau. Check http://www.k6vva.com/iota/na050/ for further information and warnings, and http://www.twitter.com/k6vva for updates. [TNX K6VVA]
OZ - Chris, DL4FO will be active as OZ/DL4FO from Tuno Island (EU-172) on 4-16 August. He will operate mainly CW on the HF bands and 6 metres. QSL via home call. [TNX rsgbiota.org]
GM - Andy, M1LOL and Ray, M1REK will be active as MM1REK from the Isle of Coll (EU-008) on 4-10 August. They will operate SSB and digital modes on 80-10 metres. QSL via M1REK, direct or bureau. [TNX rsgbiota.org]
HL - Members of the Gwangju DX Club (6L0NJ) will be active as D7G from Jindo Island (AS-060) from about 6 UTC on 16 August until about 2 UTC on the 18th. They will operate CW, SSB, PSK and RTTY on 80-10 metres. QSL via 6L0NJ, direct or bureau. [TNX HL4CCM]
SV - SV8GXQ (SSB) and SV8JTP (PSK) will be active as SX8HOMER from Chios Island (EU-049) starting on 30 July for 15 days. QSL via SV8GXQ, direct only.
TA - Metin TA1ED, Tevfik TA1HZ, Murat TA1PB, Yasar TA3D and Ali TA7EB will participate in the IOTA Contest as TC0GI from Gokceada Island (EU-186). They plan to arrive in the evening of 26 July and depart 48 hours later. The QSL cards will be printed in late December, and all of the QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau; the QSL route for direct cards is via TA1HZ. [TNX TA1HZ]
TK - Laurent, F8BBL will be active as TK13RNB from Corsica from 27 July to 10 August. He will operate holiday style on 80-10 metres mainly CW, with some SSB and digital modes, from Cargese, on the main island (EU-014). Two side trips as TK13RNB/p are planned: on 5 August from the Sangunaires Islands (EU-104, (along with TK/F5OZF and TK/F5RXL), and on 8 August from Erbaghiolu for the Summits On

The Air programme. QSL via F8BBL, direct or bureau, and LoTW. Log search on Club Log. [TNX F5NQL]
UA - RV1AQ/p, RN1AW/p and RA1AKJ/p are active from Peschanyy Island (EU-117) until 28 July, with participation in the IOTA Contest. [TNX RN1AW]
UA - The final plans for the 24-29 July activity from Glov island (EU-162) [425DXN 1159] are for the operators to be signing RA1ZZ/p, RA3AV/1, RK3AW/1, RW3QNZ/1, RZ1ZZ/p and UA1ZZ/p before the IOTA Contest. QSL RA1ZZ/p via RW3XZ, others via home call. They will then participate in the contest as UA1ZZ/p, and use R20RRC/1 (QSL via RZ3EC) after the contest. [TNX qrz.ru]
V5 - Sergey UX0HX, Max UZ1HZ and Alex UT5UY will be active holiday style as V5/home calls from Namibia on 1-8 August. They will operate CW and SSB on 80-10 metres. QSL for all of them via UT5UY, direct or bureau. [TNX UT5UY]
VE - Special event station VC2CGJCS will be activated by the Club Radio Amateur de l'Estrie (VE2RAE) on 2-17 August for the XXIV Canada Games/Jeux du Canada to be held in Sherbrooke, Quebec. [TNX Southgate ARC]
VK - Tony, VK3VTH will again be active as VK3VTH/7 from King Island (OC-233) on 15-18 August. He will operate SSB only on 20 and 40 metres from two different locations, and during the International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend his QTH will be at the Currie Lighthouse. QSL via VK3VTH, direct or bureau ("all QSOs will be sent appropriate QSL card via the VK3 Bureau immediately after the activation", he says).
W - The Cape Ann Amateur Radio Association will be active as W1T from Thacher Island (NA-148) on 2-5 August. QSL via W1GLO (direct), LoTW and eQSL. [TNX rsgbiota.org]
W - Eric, W4OTN will be QRV holiday style from Hatteras Island (NA-067) on 4-10 August. "I'll try to be available 6m through 40m, phone and CW", he says. QSL via home call, direct or bureau.
YB - YB5NOF, YB5QZ, YB9WZJ, YC5RA, YE5WM and possibly a couple of other operators will be active as YE5T from Tambelan Island (OC-122) and YE5S from Serasan Island (Natuna Selatan Islands, OC-109). Actual dates will be announced in due course, the license is good from 26 August to 26 September. QSL via W2FB. [TNX JN6RZM]
YB - The YB9Y expedition to Pulau Brassi (OC-276, new one for IOTA) [425DXN 1156] is now scheduled to take place on 20-28 October. While Steve W2FB is organizing fundraising from NA/EU (Paypal sbusono[@[gmail.com), Shu JN6RZM (jn6rzm[@]nifty.com) will collect Paypal donations to help providing a linear amplifier from 30 July until 31 August. It is also possibile to donate directly at the expedition's website (http://yb9y.com/).

RSGB IOTA CONTEST ---> The following stations have announced their participation in this year's event (from 12 UTC on 27 July through 12 UTC on the 28th). For lastest additions please give a look at www.rsgbiota.org, and at the announced operation list maintained by Bill NG3K (http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/iota2013.html). Complete details on the IOTA

Contest can be found at www.iotacontest.com.
The IOTA SWL Contest has been picked up by the Radioascolto SWL Club, and
it will run in parallel with the IOTA Contest. Complete details can be found
at http://www.radioascolto.org/swl/ or from the IOTA SWL Contest Manager
(iw1qla[@]tin.it). Good luck to you all!

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AF-004	EF8U	Gran Canaria	EA8URL
AF-018	IH9YMC	Pantelleria	-
AF-046	CQ9D	Desertas	CT3KN
AF-057	5R8NE	Nosy-Be	IK2DUW
AF-083	3V8SM	Djerba	HA8KW
AS-006	VR2KF	Ma Wan	VR2KF
AS-006	VR2UNG	Hong Kong	VR2FUN
AS-008	JI3DST/1	Shikine	JI3DST
AS-066	RI0NZ	Popov	UA0LCZ
AS-074	9M2FB	Ketam	9M2FB
AS-103	BP0A	Peng-Hu	
AS-117	JA4FHE/4	O-shima	JA4FHE
AS-135	BA4TB/4	Dongxilang	BA4TB
AS-137	BA4WL/5	Liuheng	BD4WO
AS-139	BY7RA/7	Weizhou	BA4EG
AS-146	BY4IB/4	Jiming	BD4KM
AS-147	JA8COE/8	Yagishiri	JA8COE
EU-002	OH0V	Aland	OH6LI
EU-005	G2F	Great Britain	G8HDK
EU-005	GV4AFJ	Great Britain	G4AFJ
EU-006	EJ0A	Inisheer	EI4GXB
EU-006	EJ1Y	Inishmore	EI5JQ
EU-008	GM0ADX	Skye	GM0DJG
EU-008	GM2T	Tiree	GM4UYZ
EU-008	GM7A	Gigha	GM7AAJ
EU-008	GM7O	Skye	GW3SQX
EU-009	MM/DL6MHW	Mainland	DL6MHW
EU-009	MM/ON6QR	Orkney Isls	ON6QR
EU-009	MM2N	Orkney	MM0GPZ
EU-010	GM7V	Benbecula	N3SL
EU-010	MM3KBU/p	South Uist	M3KBU
EU-010	MM6GCS/p	Outer Hebrides	M6GCS
EU-011	M8C	St Mary's	G4DFI
EU-012	MZ5A	Shetland	G3TXF
EU-013	GJ2A	Jersey	GJ3DVC
EU-013	GJ6YB	Jersey	G3SWH
EU-015	SW9GG	Crete	MM0GOR
EU-016	9A/OM8AA	Solta	OM8AA
EU-016	9A/OO7T/p	Brac	bureau
EU-016	9A8DV	Drvenik Veli	IK6VXO
EU-020	SA1A	Gotland	SM1TDE
EU-020	SM0THU/1	Gotland	SM0THU
EU-025	IT9/IF9ZWA	Sicily	IF9ZWA

EU-025 IT9RZU Sicily IT9RZU
EU-025 IT9VDQ Sicily IT9VDQ
EU-028 IA5/OO4O Elba ON4APU
EU-031 IC8FBU Capri IC8FBU
EU-031 IC8WIC Capri IC8WIC
EU-031 IR8A Ischia IZ8GBH
EU-034 ES0U Saaremaa ES2DJ
EU-038 PE3V/p Ameland PE3V
EU-038 PG13IOTA Texel PD1AKL
EU-039 TM7T Chausey Isls ON8ZL
EU-040 CS5DX Bugio bureau
EU-047 DG5LAC/p Juist DG5LAC
EU-047 DM50IOTA Borkum DL2VFR
EU-048 TM2BI Belle-Ile-en-Mer F6KPQ
EU-051 IE9/IK6JRI Ustica IK6JRI
EU-052 SW8CC Zakynthos M5RIC
EU-053 OJ0R Market Reef G3TXF
EU-054 IF9/IT9BXR Favignana IT9BXR
EU-054 IF9/IT9RDG Favignana IT9RDG
EU-055 LN7H Bokn LA7H
EU-057 DL5KUD Ruegen DL5KUD
EU-057 DP3D/p Ummanz DK3KD
EU-061 LA/G3TTC/p Tjome G3TTC
EU-064 F6KOP/p Noirmoutier F6KOP
EU-068 TM5KD Sein F5KKD
EU-073 IJ7T San Pietro IZ7AUH
EU-075 J48A Aegina SV1OAN
EU-080 ED1K Ons EA1NK
EU-083 IP1T Tino IZ5JLF
EU-088 OZ1IVA/p Laeso OZ1IVA
EU-096 OH1TD Korpo OH1TD
EU-110 9A/AC6DD Sveti Nikola AC6DD
EU-110 9A/IV3LZQ Sveti Nikola IV3LZQ
EU-114 MU0HTJ Guernsey 2E0SQL
EU-115 EI1A Ireland PA3249
EU-115 EI7M Ireland EI6HB
EU-117 RA1AKJ/p Peschanyy RA1AKJ
EU-117 RN1AW/p Peschanyy RN1AW
EU-117 RV1AQ/p Peschanyy RV1AQ
EU-119 RT6A/1 Morzhovets R7AA
EU-120 G4ALE/p Wight G4ALE
EU-120 G7N Wight G5XV
EU-120 M0NMS/p Wight LX1NO
EU-120 M7X Wight G0TSM
EU-121 EJ5KF/p Bere EI5KF
EU-123 GM0FGI Bute GM0FGI
EU-123 GM0OBX/p Inchcolm GM0OBX
EU-123 MM3I Arran G3SWH
EU-123 MM3T Bute -
EU-124 GW2L Holy G3SVJ

EU-124 GW8K Flatholm MW0DHF
EU-125 OZ0TX Mando DL7AT
EU-129 DL1WA/p Usedom DL1WA
EU-129 DL8DZL/p Usedom DL8DZL
EU-129 DM3X/p Gormitz bureau
EU-130 II3VR/IV3 S. Maria di Barbana IQ3VO
EU-130 IV3NVN/p Anfora IV3NVN
EU-132 SN0RX Wolin SP8RX
EU-135 SF2X/p Ledskar SM5EFX
EU-136 9A/OM5AW Krk OM2FY
EU-136 9A1RAB Rab 9A4KJ
EU-140 OG5A Suuri-Musta OH5AD
EU-140 OH1K Kaunissaari OH1JO
EU-140 OH5TS Kuorsalo OH5TS
EU-141 LA2MOA Vardo LA2MOA
EU-144 ID8/IQ8CS Dino IQ8CS
EU-145 CR5CW Culatra CT7ACG
EU-146 PA/ON6CQ Schouwen-Duiveland ON6CQ
EU-146 PF10C Schouwen-Duiveland ON4ON
EU-157 F4FET/p Cezembre F4FET
EU-162 UA1ZZ/p Glov UA1ZZ
EU-163 4O/RK3RB/p Sveti Nikola RK3RB
EU-163 4O/UA3RF/p Sveti Nikola UA3RF
EU-165 IM0/I0PNM San Pietro I0PNM
EU-165 IM0C San Pietro IS0BGL
EU-170 9A/HA0KA Pag HA0KA
EU-170 9A/HA9MDN Vir HA9MDN
EU-170 9A/OM2FY Kaprije OM2FY
EU-170 9A0D Zirje DK8ZZ
EU-171 OZ/DL7CX Mors DL7CX
EU-174 SV8/OM6NM Thassos OM6NM
EU-174 SW8LR Thassos HA0NAR
EU-177 SM5CKV/p Harstena G0CKV
EU-178 ES5GP/8 Kihnu ES5GP
EU-179 UR8GX/p Kalanchakskiye UR8GX
EU-181 LZ0I Sveti Ivan LZ1BJ
EU-182 UT2II/p Ankudinov UT2II
EU-183 YP13S Sacalinu Mare YO8AXP
EU-186 TC0GI Gokceada TA1HZ
EU-187 J49A Dia SV9GPV
NA-014 KI1U/VE9 Grand Manan KI1U
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NA-014 VE9MY/p Deer VE9MY
NA-026 N2GC Long N2GC
NA-029 VY2TT Prince Edward bureau
NA-036 VA7ISL Vancouver VE7JH
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NA-046 K1VSJ Martha's Vineyard K1VSJ
NA-067 W4MY Harkers W4MY
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OC-088 9M8Z Borneo M0URX
OC-136 VK3MEG Phillip VK3MEG
OC-143 YB0MZI/4 Sumatra YB0MZI
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OC-237 YF1AR/3 Madura N2OO
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CROATIA 28TH EU STAR AWARD ---> Issued by the Croatian Amateur Radio Association (HRS), this award celebrates the accession of Croatia to the European Union as the 28th member State. The rules can be downloaded at http://www.hamradio.hr/download/CROATIA_28_EU_STAR_ENG.pdf [TNX 9A3SM]

H44IOTA ---> Reference the notice posted on the IOTA website on 25 June [425DXN 1156], "we have noted the subsequent posting on the H44IOTA qrz.com website to the effect that a validation of OC-168 'may not be possible due to computer hardware failure and human error'. This is indeed the case as we understand that with the non-availability of the logs for the land-based part of this operation, QSOs cannot of course be confirmed for IOTA. Should the missing logs become available, we will reconsider the position. In the meantime we can confirm that we have accepted documentation showing land-based operations from OC-149, OC-047 and OC-158 and credits will be given for valid cards submitted. As a reminder, operations by yachtsmen with on-board amateur radio stations present IOTA Management with particular challenges with regard to rule compliance and they are routinely

asked to provide validation in accordance with the detailed requirements outlined in Section F of the IOTA Directory Rules. In the case of the recent H44IND operation and forthcoming H40IOTA ones it is suggested that until acceptable validation is reported as having been received, the sending of QSLs be delayed". [TNX rsgbiota.org]

ILLW ---> The 16th annual International Lighthouse/Lightship Weekend, conducted under the sponsorship of the Ayr Amateur Radio Group, will take place from 00.01 UTC on 17 August until 23.59 UTC on the 18th. Complete information on this popular event, including a list of participating stations, can be found at http://illw.net/

P5 PROJECT ---> "We have added two new video slide shows from our recent visit to the Democratic People's Republic of Korea. The first video shows the children of the DPRK. The second video slide show shows many aspects of our travels throughout the DPRK. You can find the videos by going to www.intrepid-dx.com and select videos from the main menu". [TNX N6PSE]

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21428. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-07-27 14:01:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21428

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:Issued: 2013 Jul 27 1348 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30727
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 27 Jul 2013, 1307UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 27 Jul 2013 until 29 Jul 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 27 Jul 2013 10CM FLUX: 112 / AP: 013
PREDICTIONS FOR 28 Jul 2013 10CM FLUX: 114 / AP: 003
PREDICTIONS FOR 29 Jul 2013 10CM FLUX: 115 / AP: 004
COMMENT:Catania sunspot group 35 (NOAA AR 1800) keeps the beta-gamma configuration
of its photospheric magnetic field. It produced several weak C-class flares
in the last 12 hours. We expect more C-class flares from this active
region, with M-class flares possible but very unlikely. A partial halo CME
(angular width around 135 degrees, principal angle 215 degrees) was
detected by SOHO/LASCO yesterday first appearing in the LASCO C2 field of
view at 18:36 UT. It was accompanied by the C1.5 flare peaking at 19:28 UT
situated just behind the south-west limb (a post-eruption arcade was
detected by SDO/AIA). The CME speed was around 500 km/s according to the
CACTus software. Due to the CME source region position behind the limb, we
do not expect the CME-associated interplanetary disturbance to arrive at
the Earth. SDO/AIA observed a filament eruption accompanied by coronal
dimmings and a post-eruption arcade in a bipolar magnetic region situated
between Catania sunspot groups 35 and 44 (NOAA ARs 1800 and 1805). It was
associated with the C1.8 flare peaking at 21:49 UT yesterday. There is no
indication in the SOHO/LASCO and STEREO/COR data that this eruption was
accompanied by a CME. The Earth is currently inside the trailing part of
the fast solar wind stream. The wind speed is around 440 km/s and the
interplanetary magnetic field magnitude is around 5-6 nT. Although Dourbes
reported an interval of active geomagnetic conditions earlier today (K = 4
between 6 and 9 UT) in response to the passage of the fast flow, we expect
quiet to unsettled geomagnetic conditions in the coming hours.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 049, BASED ON 07 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 26 Jul 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 097
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 110
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 017
AK WINGST : 012
ESTIMATED AP : 014
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ESTIMATED ISN : 052, BASED ON 15 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END

21429. tx5k

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-07-27 23:13:43 UTC
From: dale cole
Topic: 20885 Message: 21429

got card today--well worth the wait Great job on the qsl, great expo
Thanks Guys
73
Dale K8TS

21430. new one?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-07-27 23:51:45 UTC
From: Derek Wills
Topic: 21430 Message: 21430

>>The British government is examining plans to designate the Scottish military
>>base that houses the Trident nuclear deterrent as sovereign United Kingdom
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>>referendum.

Full article:

http://www.guardian.co.uk/uk-news/2013/jul/10/mod-trident-scotland-independence

The idea is that this would have the same status as the British Sovereign
Base Areas in Cyprus (ZC4).

Might be hard to get operating permission though...

Would ZC4 still be counted as a separate entity under the current rules?

Derek aa5bt

21431. Re: [DX-IS] new one?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-07-28 00:04:33 UTC
From: Richard F DiDonna NN3W
Topic: 21430 Message: 21431

On 7/27/2013 7:51 PM, Derek Wills wrote:
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> >>base that houses the Trident nuclear deterrent as sovereign United
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> Derek aa5bt
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Would it meet the separation distance rule?

73 Rich NN3W

21432. Ohio/Penn DX Special Bulletin #1121.1

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-07-28 09:40:32 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 21432 Message: 21432

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FT5ZM ☐ AMSTERDAM ISLAND DXPEDITION (Press Release ☐ July 27, 2013):
"Since our last Press Release in early May, the Amsterdam Island
DXpedition team has made significant progress.
We have begun receiving supplies and equipment at our Atlanta staging
area. Thanks to N4GRN for arranging secure storage. DX Engineering was
the first to deliver a large shipment. They have been terrific to work
with. Our 10 mono-band, 3 element beams from Cycle 24 and Force 12 are
expected to arrive in the next few weeks. The 30 foot towers for our
beams are being acquired by our friends in VK6.
W6IZT, N4GRN, K9CT, and VA7DX have completed the networking framework
for the two station sites. They have obtained the computers and network
equipment, completed a terrain analysis, and they have equipment in the
'burn in' stage.
WB9Z and his crew have prepared over 10,000 feet of radials for the
Amsterdam low band antennas. Thanks go to NV9L, K9NU, N9TK, K9TP, N9LAH,
W9ILY, K9CJ, and 'Lee.'
Our plans for several low band receiving systems are also complete.
We will be hearing and being heard very well from FT5ZM on the low bands
Our 'on island' procedures are progressing well. We☐ve satisfied the
sanitation and waste management plan required of us. We have the floor
plans and dimensions of our two operating sites so we can pre-plan our
power distribution wiring and equipment placement. We will be expected
to help with some routine base chores like helping to clean the dining
room, setting the tables, etc. So we will also have a 'KP' roster, as
well as our radio operating roster. Our team will become a real part
of the small community on Amsterdam Island.
Arnie N6HC, our team doctor and our friends W0GJ and K9SG are finalizing
our medical and emergency kits. Outdated drugs are being replaced, etc.
Our Pilot team to date is:
NV9L, Val : North American pilot and chief pilot
MM0NDX, Col: European pilot

KH6CG, Stu : Oceania pilot

Our Chief Financial Officer and fundraiser K4UEE along with his able assistants: LA6VM and JA1ELY have been working hard to make sure DXers worldwide know about this upcoming DXpedition to the number 4 'most needed' DXCC entity and they are given an opportunity to help with our considerable expenses. At this time we are about 2/3 of the way to our goal. Taking into account what we expect from direct QSL requests and OQRS, we are about $75,000 short. This is of some concern.

For more information on our DXpedition budget, please see:
http://www.amsterdamdx.org/why-does-this-dxpedition-cost-so-much/

Thanks for your interest and support of this exciting project.
Our website is <www.amsterdamdx.org>"

OH0B - ALAND ISLANDS IN THE IOTA CONTEST FROM EU-002 (Press Release from OH2BN). "Three seasoned warhorses - OH2BH, OH2MM and OH2PM - are now getting their feet wet, joining forces under the youthful and advanced technology guidance of Kim, OH6KZP to operate in two pairs as part of their first serious IOTA effort. The Finns will also challenge the Swedes who are currently deployed on the far western front at Market Reef (OJ0). Follow the battle and get involved...even if the bright red Aurora is looming over the Northern IOTA counters.
<http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/pmap/gif/pmapN.gif>
QSL via OH2BH."

YASME PRESS RELEASE (YASME SUPPORTS DEVELOPER OF VIEWPROP). Dated July 26th: "The Board of Directors of The Yasme Foundation is pleased to announce that it has made a grant to support further development of ViewProp <zl2ham.wikispaces.com>, a new utility for propagation visualization developed by Rick Kiessig, ZL2HAM. ViewProp integrates information from the Reverse Beacon Network and worldwide spotting networks with station location information from QRZ.com and mapping through DXAtlas. The result is a real-time, worldwide view of amateur radio signals and operation. ViewProp also supports a "playback" function to review historical data and provides the user with a number of options to configure both the input data stream and the way in which the information is displayed. Currently in beta testing by a global user's group <groups.yahoo.com/group/viewprop>, the Yasme grant will enable ZL2HAM to complete development with appropriate networked software tools and release it for public use. The Yasme Foundation is a not-for-profit corporation organized to conduct scientific and educational projects related to Amateur Radio, including DXing (long distance communication) and the introduction and promotion of Amateur Radio in developing countries. For additional information about The Yasme Foundation, visit our website at <www.yasme.org>.

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21433. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-07-28 14:01:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21433

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:Issued: 2013 Jul 28 1309 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30728
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 28 Jul 2013, 1307UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 28 Jul 2013 until 30 Jul 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 28 Jul 2013 10CM FLUX: 106 / AP: 010
PREDICTIONS FOR 29 Jul 2013 10CM FLUX: 104 / AP: 004
PREDICTIONS FOR 30 Jul 2013 10CM FLUX: 105 / AP: 004
COMMENT:Several weak C-class flares were detected during the last 24 hours in
Catania sunspot groups 33 (NOAA AR 1793, currently behind the north-west
limb) and 35 (NOAA AR 1800). We expect flaring activity to continue at the
C-level (with an M-class flare unlikely), especially in the Catania sunspot
group 35 (NOAA AR 1800) that keeps the beta-gamma configuration of its
photospheric magnetic field. The Earth is currently inside a slow (around
440 km/s) solar wind flow with slightly elevated (around 6 nT)
interplanetary magnetic field magnitude. We expect quiet to unsettled
geomagnetic conditions.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 048, BASED ON 09 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 27 Jul 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 108
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 020
AK WINGST : 014
ESTIMATED AP : 014
ESTIMATED ISN : 047, BASED ON 17 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21434. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-07-29 14:01:03 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21434

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:Issued: 2013 Jul 29 1246 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
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SIDC URSIGRAM 30729
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 29 Jul 2013, 1207UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 29 Jul 2013 until 31 Jul 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 29 Jul 2013 10CM FLUX: 107 / AP: 014
PREDICTIONS FOR 30 Jul 2013 10CM FLUX: 107 / AP: 011
PREDICTIONS FOR 31 Jul 2013 10CM FLUX: 107 / AP: 004
COMMENT:X-ray background is in the B-level. A new sunspot group emerged in the
northern hemisphere, left to NOAA AR 1801. This new appearance might
trigger C-flare activity. The solar wind speed is around 400 km/s. Bz is
around -2/3 nT. The geomagnetic index K measured in Dourbes, Belgium
reached values up to 4 this morning. We expect although quiet to unsettled
conditions for the coming 48 hours.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 066, BASED ON 15 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 28 Jul 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 109
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 009
AK WINGST : 009
ESTIMATED AP : 008
ESTIMATED ISN : 048, BASED ON 23 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21435. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-07-30 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21435

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:Issued: 2013 Jul 30 1333 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
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# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
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SIDC URSIGRAM 30730
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 30 Jul 2013, 1307UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 30 Jul 2013 until 01 Aug 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 30 Jul 2013 10CM FLUX: 116 / AP: 006
PREDICTIONS FOR 31 Jul 2013 10CM FLUX: 114 / AP: 004
PREDICTIONS FOR 01 Aug 2013 10CM FLUX: 113 / AP: 011
COMMENT:NOAA AR 1800 turns over the west limb, out of view. The region produced 2
C-class flares yesterday, July 29. NOAA AR 1801 (Catania 38) flared once in
the C-level today, July 30. C-flares are possible the coming day, but in
general the X-ray flaring activity is limited. The geomagnetic conditions
are quiet at the moment: speed 400 km/s, interplanetary magnetic field of
5nT. The Bz component is negative at the moment. If this stays so for a
longer time, unsettled geomagnetic conditions can occur. From July 2, Earth
can be situated in the fast solar wind stream emanating from the norther
coronal hole which passed today the central meridian.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 053, BASED ON 11 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 29 Jul 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 117
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 112
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 009
AK WINGST : 006
ESTIMATED AP : 005
ESTIMATED ISN : 067, BASED ON 23 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21436. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-07-31 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21436

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:Issued: 2013 Jul 31 1156 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30731
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 31 Jul 2013, 1107UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 31 Jul 2013 until 02 Aug 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 31 Jul 2013 10CM FLUX: 116 / AP: 006
PREDICTIONS FOR 01 Aug 2013 10CM FLUX: 116 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 02 Aug 2013 10CM FLUX: 116 / AP: 013
COMMENT:NOAA AR 1801 (Catania 38) produced a C-flare yesterday, July 30. A new
region turned over the east limb: NOAA AR 1809 (Catania 55). It was the
source of a B and C-flares yesterday and today. We expect more C-flares
from this region. The geomagnetic conditions are quiet. From August 2,
Earth might come under the influence of a fast solar wind emanating from
the coronal hole in the northern hemisphere. Unsettled conditions are
possible.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 067, BASED ON 18 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 30 Jul 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 079
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 113
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 010
AK WINGST : 007
ESTIMATED AP : 006
ESTIMATED ISN : 055, BASED ON 14 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21437. 3DA0ET Swaziland

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-07-31 22:17:23 UTC
From: Frosty
Topic: 21437 Message: 21437
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Charles F. Frost
Frosty K5LBU
frosty1@...

21438. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-01 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21438

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:Issued: 2013 Aug 01 1253 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30801
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 01 Aug 2013, 1208UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 01 Aug 2013 until 03 Aug 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Quiet conditions (<50% probability of C-class flares)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 01 Aug 2013 10CM FLUX: 110 / AP: 004
PREDICTIONS FOR 02 Aug 2013 10CM FLUX: 109 / AP: 012
PREDICTIONS FOR 03 Aug 2013 10CM FLUX: 109 / AP: 007
COMMENT:X-ray curve measured by GOES doesn't show any peaks. No C-flares occurred
since the yesterday morning, July 31. We expect quiet conditions. The
geomagnetic conditions are quiet. From tomorrow unsettled conditions are
possible, caused by a fast solar wind emanating from a northern coronal
hole.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 062, BASED ON 17 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 31 Jul 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 107
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 109
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 009
AK WINGST : 007
ESTIMATED AP : 005
ESTIMATED ISN : 067, BASED ON 26 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21439. ARLD031 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-01 22:21:18 UTC
From: jjreisert@...
Topic: 5512 Message: 21439

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ARLD031 DX news

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DX Bulletin 31 ARLD031
>From ARRL Headquarters
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To all radio amateurs

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ARLD031 DX news

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by NC1L, the Weekly DX, the OPDX Bulletin, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, DXNL, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

LIBYA, 5A. Abubaker, DL1AL is now QRV as 5A1AL from Tripoli. He is active on the HF bands plus 6 meters using CW, SSB and PSK. QSL to home call.

GHANA, 9G. Jeff, W7JVN is QRV as 9G5AC while he and Beverly, WB7NLY are here on missionary work. Activity is mainly on 20 and 15 meters using SSB. QSL via K7JH.

MOZAMBIQUE, C9. John, ZS5J is QRV as C91J until August 3. Activity is on 40, 20 and 15 meters. QSL via operator's instructions.

REUNION ISLAND, FR. A large group of operators will be QRV as TO1PS from the volcano and UNESCO World Heritage site Piton de la Fournaise on August 3 and 4. Activity will be on all bands and modes. QSL via FR1GZ.

JERSEY, GJ. Operators ON8ZZ, ON8ZL and ON5NQ are QRV as MJ/OT9Z until August 9. Activity is on the HF bands using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK with two stations. QSL via ON8ZL.

SARDINIA, IS0. Massimo, I0PNM is QRV as IM0/I0PNM from San Pietro Island, IOTA EU-165, until August 20. Activity is on 20 to 10 meters using SSB, RTTY and PSK31. QSL direct to home call.

DOMINICA, J7. Gerry, WA6POZ is QRV as J79GF until August 7 from the Northeast coast. Activity is on 20, 15 and 10 meters. This includes a possible entry in the 10-10 International Summer SSB contest. QSL to home call.

BULGARIA, LZ. Members of the Radio Club Blagovestnik are QRV using special event call sign LZ1105PIO during August to commemorate Saint Ioakim Osogovski. Activity is on all bands. QSL via LZ1KCP.

LEBANON, OD. Special event station OD5ARMY is QRV for three days in recognition of the Lebanese Army. QSL via operators' instructions.

FAROE ISLANDS, OY. Ulf, DL3UB is QRV as OY/DL3UB until August 9. Activity is holiday style on 30, 17 and 12 meters using CW. QSL to home call.

GREECE, SV. Operators SV8GXQ and SV8JTP are QRV as SX8HOMER from Chios Island, IOTA EU-049, until August 13. Activity is on the HF bands using SSB and PSK. QSL direct to SV8GXQ.

EUROPEAN RUSSIA, UA. Special event station R863LC is QRV until October to celebrate the 1150th anniversary of Smolensk. QSL via R3LC.

NAMIBIA, V5. Sergey, UX0HX, Max, UZ1HZ and Alex, UT5UY are QRV as V5/home calls until August 8. Activity is holiday style on 80 to 10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL all calls via UT5UY.

CANADA, VE. Members of the Radio Amateur Club of l'Estrie are QRV as VC2CGJCS until August 17 for the XXIV Canada Games in Sherbrooke. QSL via VE2RAE.

VENEZUELA, YV. Members of the Caracas DX Group are QRV as YW5X from Orchila Island, IOTA SA-054, until August 31. QSL via DM4TI.

PRINCE EDWARD AND MARION ISLANDS, ZS8. Nadia, ZS8A plans to soon be QRV from Marion Island. In addition, Carson, ZS8C and David, ZS8Z are active as time permits. QSL via operators' instructions.

OPERATIONS APPROVED FOR DXCC CREDIT. The following operations are approved for DXCC credit: Sri Lanka, 4S7NZG, 2013 operation; Somalia, 6O0LA, 2013 operation; Spratly Islands, 9M4SLL, 2012 and 2013 operations; Democratic People's Republic of the Congo, 9Q6CC, 2010 and 2011 operation; Rwanda, 9X0EME, 2013 operation; Afghanistan, T6JM, 2012 operation; Laos, XW0YJY, 2013 operation; Laos, XW4XR, current operation; and South Sudan, Z80ID, Special 1-Day operation for Independence day celebration on July 9, 2013.

If you've had any of these rejected in a prior application, send a note to bmoore@... to be placed on the list for an update to your record.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The ARRL August UHF Contest, North American CW QSO Party, QRP CW Fox Hunt, NCCC RTTY Sprint, NCCC Sprint CW Ladder, TARA Grid Dip Shindig, 10-10 International Summer SSB Contest, European HF Championship, The RSGB RoPoCo CW and the SARL HF Phone Contest are all scheduled for this upcoming weekend. The ARS Spartan CW Sprint is scheduled for August 6. Please see August QST, page 73, and the ARRL and WA7BNM Contest web sites for

details.
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21440. IRC'S FOR SALE

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-02 08:12:10 UTC
From: K1XN
Topic: 21440 Message: 21440

***Current IRCs For Sale.
$1.35 each postage paid mailing to you (USA ONLY)
10 IRCs Minimum order please
Email me for availability.
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21441. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-02 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21441

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:Issued: 2013 Aug 02 1301 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
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# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30802
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 02 Aug 2013, 1208UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 02 Aug 2013 until 04 Aug 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 02 Aug 2013 10CM FLUX: 112 / AP: 004
PREDICTIONS FOR 03 Aug 2013 10CM FLUX: 110 / AP: 005
PREDICTIONS FOR 04 Aug 2013 10CM FLUX: 110 / AP: 003
COMMENT:Flaring activity is low. There is a chance for an isolated C-flare. NOAA
1806 (Cat 50) and 1809 (55) are likely candidates. The geomagnetic
conditions are quiet. We don't expect the fast solar wind from the northern
coronal hole to arrive at earth.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 076, BASED ON 20 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 01 Aug 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 104
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 112
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 007
AK WINGST : 006
ESTIMATED AP : 005
ESTIMATED ISN : 061, BASED ON 22 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21442. 425 DX News - #1161

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-02 18:13:28 UTC
From: r_brothers
Topic: 21442 Message: 21442

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** DX INFORMATION ****
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Edited by I1JQJ & IK1ADH
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3DA - The website for the 18-27 November 3DA0ET DXpedition to Swaziland
[425DXN 1159] is now up and runnig at www.swazidx.org. A survey
(link on the homepage at the top on the right) is being run asking
DXers some questions about where they need 3DA0ET the most. The
organizers are looking for more team members, and "would like to
have some great RTTY operators along". If interested please
contact Roger ZS6RJ (roger.jones[@]vodamail.com) or Frosty
(3da0cf[@]gmail.com).
4O - Look for 4O/YT4RA and 4O/YT7AW to be active from Montenegro on
6-15 August. Focusing on 30, 17 and 12 metres and digital modes,
they will operate from the Durmitor National Park, "followed by
seaside activity, with possible stopover on IOTA group EU-163".
QSL via home calls. [TNX DX World]
4O - Jacek, SP5OXJ will be active holiday style as 4O/SP5OXJ from
Budva, Montenegro on 13-20 August. He will be QRV on 40-20 metres
CW and digital modes. QSL via home call, direct or bureau, and
LoTW. [TNX SP5OXJ]
9M2 - A team of ten operators from the Melaka DX Club will be active as
9M2MI from Undan Island (AS-097) and lighthouse on 16-18 August.
They will be QRV on 40, 20, 17, 15, 12 and 10 metres SSB and CW.
QSL via 9M2YOT (direct only).
9M2 - Once again Rich, PA0RRS will be active as 9M2MRS from Penang
Island (AS-015) from 31 December until 23 February 2014. He will
operate CW, RTTY and PSK on 40-10 metres. QSL via home call,
direct or bureau, as well as LoTW and eQSL. [TNX PA0RRS]
9M6 - Dave, G4BUO will be active as 9M6/G4BUO from Gaya Island (OC-133)
on 4-6 August. He will operate CW only, "fitting in with holiday
arrangements". QSL via home call. [TNX rsgbiota.org]
CN - The Council of Europe Radio Amateur Club (CERAC) in partnership
with the Association Royale des Radio-Amateurs du Maroc (ARRAM)
will be active as 5C0CE on 19-21 August. QSL via F5LGF, logsearch
on www.tp2ce.eu [TNX F6FQK]
DL - Ben, DL7BY will be active holiday style as SM6/DL7BY/p from Orust
Island (EU-043) on 4-16 August. QSL via home call, direct or
bureau. [TNX DX Newsletter]
E5_sc - Fabio, IZ0YIV will be active holiday style as E51YIV from the

South Cook Islands in October. He will operate SSB and digital modes mainly on 20, 17 and 15 metres from Rarotonga (OC-013, 9-13 October) and Aitutaki (OC-083, 13-17 October). QSL via home call, direct or bureau, LoTW and eQSL. [TNX IZ0YIV]
F - Celebrating the 20th anniversary of the twinning between the Radio Club de Neuville et du Haut Poitou (F5KFL) and the Amateur Radio Club of Ronse/Renaix (ON4RSX), special event station TM20RSX will be active on 10-17 August on all bands and modes. QSL via F5KFL and eQSL. [TNX VA3RJ]
GM - GM8SRS/p is the callsign to be used from the Isle of Coll, (EU-008) on 4-10 August [425DXN 1160]. Mike 2E0MPC, Andy M1LOL and Ray M1REK will be active on 80-10 metres CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL via M1REK, direct or bureau. [TNX rsgbiota.org]
JD1_mt - Once again Take, JG8NQJ is active in his spare time as JG8NQJ/JD1 from Minami Torishima (OC-073) until mid-September. He operates CW mainly on 17 metres, with some activity on 15, 12 and 10 metres. QSL via JA8CJY (direct) or JG8NQJ (bureau).
ON - Kurt, ON4CB and others will be active on 80-10 metres as OR9W/p from lighthisp "West-Hinder I" on 17-18 August for the International Lighthouse Lightship Weekend. QSL via ON4CB. [TNX ON4CB]
OX - Bo, OZ1DJJ will be active again as OX3LX from Greenland in August. According to the tentative schedule published on on his website (http://geronne.dk/index.php/ox3lx/ox3lx-dxped), he plans to be QRV from Kangerlussuaq (NA-018) on 4-5 August (HF bands and 6 metres) and from Aasiaat Island (NA-134) on 5-9 August (HF bands and maybe some 6m), while from around the 15th until the 23rd he plans to plans to operate from either NA-018 (main island) and/or NA-243, with a focus on 2m EME and MS. QSL via OZ1PIF.
OX - A group of YL operators (HL1KDW, JR3MVF, LA6RHA, SM6KAT and WA0WOF) will be active as OX5YL from Kangerlussuaq (NA-018), Greenland on 16-20 August. QSL via PA5YL, direct or bureau. Please visit http://home.online.no/~la6rha/greenland2013.htm for further information.
OZ - Dieter, DF2SD will be active holiday style as OZ/DF2SD from the island of Fano (EU-125) on 17-30 August. He will operate RTTY on 30, 17 and 12 metres only (possibly with some SSB). QSL via home call, direct or bureau, LoTW and eQSL. [TNX rsgbiota.org]
P2 - JA1NLX, Akira, will be active as P29VNX from Lissenung Island, Bismarck Archipelago (OC-008) on 8-13 September. He will operate CW, RTTY and PSK31 on 30-10 metres. QSL via JA1NLX (direct only) and LoTW. An OQRS for direct and bureau cards will be available at Club Log (bureau cards will be sent through Global QSL). He has a webpage on www.asahi-net.or.jp/~yy7a-ysd/P29VNX-2013.htm
SM - Ric, DL2VFR will operate CW with some SSB as SD7V from Oland Island (EU-037) on 10-23 August. Some activity during the International Lighthouse Lightship Weekend is possible, most likely from Tokenas Udde. QSL via DL2VFR, direct or bureau, plus LoTW and eQSL. [TNX DL2VFR]
UA - Special event station UE80RWW will be active until 15 September to

commemorate the 80th anniversary of the beginning of broadcasting
in Volgograd (formerly Stalingrad). QSL via R4AAS. Logsearch and
further information can be found at http://ue80rww.cqvlz.ru/en/
UA - Valery RG8K, Victor RW0BG and Igor UA9KDF will be active from
Zhuravlinyy Island (AS-109) on 5-11 August, using two callsigns:
RT9K/p (5-8 August, QSL via RX9KM) and R20RRC/8 (9-11 August, QSL
via RZ3EC). They plan to be QRV on 80-10 metres CW, SSB and
digital modes. Follow them on www.aprs.fi (search for ua9kdf-2
while moving and rt9k-14 while on the island). [TNX DX World]
W - Members of the Old Barney ARC (www.obarc.org) will be operating as
N2OB from "Old Barney", the Barnegat Lighthouse on Long Beach
Island (NA-111) on 3 August from about 13 UTC to 21 UTC. Expect
main activity on 20 and 40 metres SSB, QSL via N2OB. [TNX The
Daily DX]

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AMSTERDAM 2014 ---> Since their last Press Release in early May, the FT5ZM
DXpedition team has made significant progress. They have begun receiving
supplies and equipment at their Atlanta staging area, the networking
framework for the two station sites has been completed, as well as the
plans for several low band receiving systems ("we will be hearing and being
heard very well from FT5ZM on the low bands"), and the "on island"
procedures are progressing well. As for fundraising, "at this time we are
about 2/3 of the way to our goal. Taking into account what we expect from
direct QSL requests and OQRS, we are about $75,000 short. This is of some
concern". More information on the DXpedition budget can be found at
http://www.amsterdamdx.org/why-does-this-dxpedition-cost-so-much/ [TNX K0IR]

CO2WF & T40C ---> "I have relinquished my position as QSL manager for CO2WF
and T40C", Phil N1KI says. "Please send QSLs via operator's instructions".

DXCC NEWS ---> The following operations have been approved for DXCC credit:
4S7NZG Sri Lanka (renewal, 2013 operation)
6O0LA Somalia (2013 operation)
9M4SLL Spratly Islands (2012 and 2013 operations)
9Q6CC Democratic People's Republic of the Congo (2010-11 operation)
9X0EME Rwanda (2013 operation)
T6JM Afghanistan (2012 operation)
XW0YJY Laos (2013 operation)
XW4XR Laos (current operation)
Z80ID South Sudan (special operation for Independence day celebration, 9
July 2013)
If you have had any of these rejected in a prior application, send a note
to bmoore[@]arrl.org to be placed on the list for an update to your record.
Also, please note the submission date and/or reference number where the

rejection was noted to expedite the search for any rejected QSOs. [TNX NC1L]

FOCUS75 ---> During the month of May 2013 the First Class CW Operators' Club hosted a CW QSO Party, FOC75, to help celebrate the Club's 75th Anniversary. Over 60 stations around the world signed with the *FOC prefix, making over 200,000 CW QSOs and leading to over 1,600 applications for the commemorative certificate. FOC publishes a quarterly magazine for its members called "FOCUS", edited by Gabor, S57WJ. But this FOC75 event met with such huge success that we have decided to publish an extra edition, called "FOCUS75", which is available to all: just go to www.g4foc.org to download it. You can also download a poster with pictures of some of the operators who used the special *FOC calls. [TNX G3SXW]

IOTA NEWS ---> The following operations in the period June/July 2013 have provided acceptable validation and are therefore approved for IOTA credit: FO/UT6UD (OC-027 & OC-050), H44IND (OC-158), HQ8D (NA-223), HQ8S (NA-035), K6VVA/KL7 (NA-152), T46C (NA-204), YB3MM/7 (OC-166) and YP13S (EU-183). [TNX G3KMA]

OO AWARD ---> The Belgian Amateur Radio Society (UBA) sponsors a commemorative award for contacts made with ON stations using special prefix OO from 21 July to 20 September 2013 [425DXN 1159]. Only OO callsigns with 2 or 3 letters in their suffix count towards this award. Belgian amateurs/SWLs need 25 different stations with at least 5 different OO prefixes, amateurs/SWLs in the rest of Europe need 15 different stations with at least 3 different OO prefixes, amateurs/SWLs in the rest of the world need 7 different stations with at least 2 different OO prefixes. The award will be issued in electronic (PDF) format and it will be free of charge. Log extracts should be mailed before the end of 2013 to the UBA Award Manager, Egbert Hertsen ON4CAS (Egbert.hertsen[@]telenet.be). [TNX ON4CAS]

SLOVAK QSL BUREAU ---> Effective 1 August, the Slovak Amateur Radio Association's QSL Bureau has a new postal address: Slovensky Zvaz Radioamaterov (SZR), P.O.Box 14, 900 31 Stupava, Slovakia. However, those who use courier services must not use the POB, but send the cards direct to the QSL Bureau Manager (OM3JW): Stefan Horecky, Mlynska 2, 900 31 Stupava, Slovakia. [TNX OM3JW]

THE END OF AN ERA ---> "The Voodoo Contest Group has taken part in CQ World-Wide CW Contest from West Africa each November for the past 19 years, operating in ten different countries. We have won the Multi-Operator contest six times. Thirty different operators have participated over the years, travelling from UK and USA.
In 2004 we published a book: 'Contesting in Africa: Multi-Multi on the Equator' describing the first ten years. It is now time to update the story. The timing of this is important because we have now come to the End of an Era, so to speak: we will no longer return to West Africa to take our large stock-pile of equipment out of storage for the 20th time. It has been donated to the Liberian Amateur Radio Association.
The modern form of 'book' is a web-site - so we have developed one. The

group offers a huge vote of thanks to John Warburton G4IRN for investing so much skill, time and energy into this project. The site comprises offerings from many of the Contest group and tells, hopefully in detail but also in an entertaining way, the story of these past 19 years.
Visit http://voodoocontestgroup.com to join us on those amazing journeys, laugh with us, take part in our celebration of two decades, almost two sunspot cycles, of Contest Dxpeditioning". [TNX G3SXW]

YASME SUPPORTS DEVELOPER OF VIEWPROP ---> The Board of Directors of The Yasme Foundation (www.yasme.org) is pleased to announce that it has made a grant to support further development of ViewProp, a new utility for propagation visualization developed by Rick Kiessig, ZL2HAM.
ViewProp (http://zl2ham.wikispaces.com/) integrates information from the Reverse Beacon Network and worldwide spotting networks with station location information from QRZ.com and mapping through DXAtlas. The result is a real-time, worldwide view of amateur radio signals and operation. [TNX W6SZN]

+ SILENT KEYS + "The Voice of Pitcairn" that over the years gave many DXers their first QSO with this DXCC Entity is no longer with us. Tom Christian, VP6TC/VR6TC, MBE passed away on 7 July at 78 years of age. First licensed in 1957, he was the President of the Pitcairn Island Amateur Radio Association when Ducie Island became eligible for DXCC credit (November 2001) as a result of a favourable vote to accept PIARA as an International Amateur Radio Union member-society. He also served for forty years on the Pitcairn Island Council as the Governor's Representative.

QSLs received direct or through managers: 3D2RX, 4L1MA, 4O3A, 5B4AFM/p (AS-120), 5B4AHL, 5N7M, 5R8IC, 5T0SP, 5W0M, 6Y6T, 7T5OI/p, 7T9A, 7X5KBS, 8Q7KP, 9L1BTB, 9M2CNC, 9M4SLL, 9N7JO, 9Q6CC, 9U4U, A3EAQ, A41OO, A61Q, A73A, AH7G, BV1EK, C31CT, C4W, CE2/CX1EK, CR3L, CR5FC, CY9M, DU6/OE9MON, E21EJC, E21YDP, E51EWP, E51M, EA6SX, EE8X, EF8M, EP3SMH, ER1LW, ES1TU, ET3AA, EX2F, EY8MM, FJ/K5WE, FJ/N5WR, FR1LB, FS/K9EL, GD6IA, GH3IT, GS3PYE/P (EU-008), H40T, H44G, H44IOTA (OC-047), H44IOTA (OC-149), H44S (OC-285), HC2/RC5A, HC2IWM/8, HK1R, HS0ZEE, HT2N, IA5A (EU-028), J35X, J39BS, J49C, J69DS, J69MV, J75PX, KH2/N2NL, KH6MB, LY5A, NH8S, NP4Z, OA6TT, OH0B, OH0BCI, OH0R, OH1VR/VP9, P43A, PJ5/K3TRM, PT0S, PY0F/PP1CZ, R10RLHA (AS-149), RI1ANU, SU1IE, SU8N, SU9AF, SV2ASP/A, SV5BYR, T31A, T5TC, T6MO, TA3TTT, TF3ML, TG9AHM, TS8TI, TX5K, UK8OM, UK8OWW, V63YAH, V73TS, V85XD, VK9NT, VP2ME, VU2BGS, VU2PHD, VU7KV, XV3RZ, XW0ZJZ, XW3DT, YB3MM/7 (OC-237), YB8P (OC-208), YS1/NO7B, Z81X, ZA/UA4WHX, ZB2FK, ZD7DL.

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The weekly averages of daily sunspot numbers and solar flux barely changed at all compared to the previous week. Average daily sunspot numbers went from 73.4 to 79.6, while average daily solar flux decreased from 110.6 to 109.7.

The weak peak of this solar cycle continues. We are moving toward the fall season, which is always seasonally better than summer for HF propagation. Let's hope for a rise in solar activity to complement the seasonal change.

The latest prediction from NOAA/USAF for the near term has solar flux at 115 on August 2-3, 110 on August 4-6, then 115, 120 and 115 on August 7-9, 105 on August 10-12, 100 on August 13, 105 on August 14-18, 100 on August 19-24, and 125 on August 25. Flux values hit a minimum around 100 on September 3-4, and rise to a peak of 135 on September 11-12.

Expected planetary A index is 8, 12 and 8 on August 2-4, 5 on August 5-8, 8 on August 9-10, 5 on August 11-20, then 10, 15 and 10 on August 21-23, 5 on August 24-26, 10 on August 27, 15 on August 28-31, 8 on September 1, and 5 after September 1.

Petr Kolman, OK1MGW presents a weekly geomagnetic prediction from the Czech Propagation Interest Group. He predicts active to disturbed conditions for today, August 2, quiet to active August 3, quiet to unsettled August 4, mostly quiet August 5, quiet to unsettled August 6-7, mostly quiet August 8-11, quiet August 12-13, quiet to active August 14-15, quiet to unsettled August 16-18, mostly quiet August 19-20, quiet to active August 21-22, and mostly quiet August 23-24. Petr says that growth in the solar wind may cause remarkable changes to the magnetosphere and ionosphere on August 2-3 and 14-16.

NASA released their monthly solar cycle prediction, and there is no change from last month. You can read it at http://solarscience.msfc.nasa.gov/predict.shtml.

At the beginning of each month we take a look at the latest numbers from our 3-month moving average of daily sunspot numbers. We do not see any upward trend. We see two peaks, one toward the end of 2011 and another smaller peak this spring. In 2011, the 3 month periods centered on October and November had average daily sunspot numbers of 118.8 and 118.6. This spring the 3-month periods centered on April and May had averages at 106.4 each. Could these be the double-peaks of solar activity that some have predicted for this sunspot cycle?

The 3-month moving averages of daily sunspot numbers centered on January through June 2013 were 73.6, 80.7, 85.2, 106.4, 106.4, and 97.5. Just to clarify, the 3-month period centered on June includes sunspot numbers for all of the 92 days from May 1 through July 31. The sum is 8,970. Divide that total by 92, and the result is exactly 97.5.

Jon Pollock, K0ZN of DeSoto, Kansas reported 17 meter observations in last week's bulletin ARLP030, and this week has another report. He wrote, "I won't keep reporting this, but I thought this was again instructive since I am seeing this so frequently lately. On Friday, July 26 I was up late and again decided to give 17 meters a try at Midnight CST. Again 17 meters was very quiet, no signals at all. i.e. 'Dead'. Except that I heard some weak thunderstorm crashes in the background. My experience has been that often when you hear that, the QRN source is a long way away. I called CQ about five times (400 watts CW into a ground mounted vertical with a large radial system) and VK7CW in Burnie, Tasmania came back (now about 12:15 AM CST) with a nice signal, about S-6. He was running 100 watts to a hexbeam. We ended up having a rag chew, and ours were the only signals either one of us could hear on the band over a 9,380 mile path from Eastern Kansas. Again, 17 meters is more often than not open when it seems dead, often for long haul contacts."

Rick Lindquist, WW1ME sent a link to yet another article about the current solar cycle being the weakest in one-hundred years. It also mentions a July meeting of the American Astronomical Society Solar Physics Division, which was in Bozeman, Montana. You can read the article at http://www.universetoday.com/103803/solar-cycle-24-on-track-to-be-the-weakest-in-100-years/.
The American Astronomical Society promises to have downloadable presentation files from the meeting, but nothing yet. They will be posted at http://solar.physics.montana.edu/SPD/SPD2013/.

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service at http://arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals. For an explanation of

the numbers used in this bulletin, see
http://arrl.org/the-sun-the-earth-the-ionosphere. An archive of
past propagation bulletins is at
http://arrl.org/w1aw-bulletins-archive-propagation. More good
information and tutorials on propagation are at http://k9la.us/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve
overseas locations are at http://arrl.org/propagation.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of ARRL
bulletins are at http://arrl.org/bulletins.

Sunspot numbers for July 25 through 31 were 71, 58, 64, 68, 97, 105,
and 94, with a mean of 79.6. 10.7 cm flux was 106.9, 109.5, 107.9,
109.4, 112.1, 113.1, and 108.7, with a mean of 109.7. Estimated
planetary A indices were 11, 14, 11, 7, 6, 6, and 5, with a mean of
8.6. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 10, 23, 10, 8, 7, 6, and
5, with a mean of 9.9.
NNNN
/EX

21445. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-03 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21445

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:Issued: 2013 Aug 03 1240 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30803
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 03 Aug 2013, 1208UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 03 Aug 2013 until 05 Aug 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Quiet conditions (<50% probability of C-class flares)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 03 Aug 2013 10CM FLUX: 112 / AP: 003
PREDICTIONS FOR 04 Aug 2013 10CM FLUX: 112 / AP: 003
PREDICTIONS FOR 05 Aug 2013 10CM FLUX: 112 / AP: 003
COMMENT:Flaring activity is low. The chances for C-flares are below 50%. The solar
wind speed is around 300 km/s, the total magnetic field strength around 4
nT. These parameters are measured by the ACE satellite at the L1 point. The
geomagnetic conditions are quiet. There was no event detected on the Sun
that could alternate these conditions.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 068, BASED ON 17 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 02 Aug 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 139
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 113
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 005
AK WINGST : 003
ESTIMATED AP : 003
ESTIMATED ISN : 076, BASED ON 24 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21446. DXCC radio optional

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-04 03:52:41 UTC
From: KQ8M
Topic: 21446 Message: 21446

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dollars.

73,

Tim Herrick, KQ8M

Charter Member North Coast Contesters

kq8m@...

AR-Cluster V6 kq8m.no-ip.org

User Ports: 23, 7373 with local skimmer, 7374 without local skimmer

Server Ports: V6 3607, V4 Active 3605, V4 Passive 3606

21447. Re: [DX-IS] DXCC radio optional

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-04 04:18:35 UTC
From: John Peters
Topic: 21446 Message: 21447

I don't think a REMOTE CONTACT like that is valid for DXCC. Transmitting antenna needs to be IN the country you're in.

I don't think remote stations are likely to be common.

73 John K1ER
----- Original Message -----
From: KQ8M
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Saturday, August 03, 2013 5:52 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] DXCC radio optional

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Charter Member North Coast Contesters

kq8m@...

AR-Cluster V6 kq8m.no-ip.org

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21448. RE: [DX-IS] DXCC radio optional

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-04 04:28:12 UTC
From: Ron Notarius W3WN
Topic: 21446 Message: 21448

Here we go again.

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of KQ8M
Sent: Saturday, August 03, 2013 11:53 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] DXCC radio optional

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73,

Tim Herrick, KQ8M

Charter Member North Coast Contesters

kq8m@...

AR-Cluster V6 kq8m.no-ip.org

User Ports: 23, 7373 with local skimmer, 7374 without local skimmer

Server Ports: V6 3607, V4 Active 3605, V4 Passive 3606

21449. RE: [DX-IS] DXCC radio optional

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-04 05:10:47 UTC
From: KQ8M
Topic: 21446 Message: 21449

They say it is totally within the DXCC rules. I think it's great. I can finally get those hard to work countries on 40-160.

73,

Tim Herrick, KQ8M

Charter Member North Coast Contesters

kq8m@...

AR-Cluster V6 kq8m.no-ip.org

User Ports: 23, 7373 with local skimmer, 7374 without local skimmer

Server Ports: V6 3607, V4 Active 3605, V4 Passive 3606

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of John Peters
Sent: Sunday, August 04, 2013 12:19 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] DXCC radio optional

I don't think a REMOTE CONTACT like that is valid for DXCC. Transmitting antenna needs to be IN the country you're in.

I don't think remote stations are likely to be common.

73 John K1ER

----- Original Message -----

From: KQ8M <mailto:kq8m@...>

To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com

Sent: Saturday, August 03, 2013 5:52 PM

Subject: [DX-IS] DXCC radio optional

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73,

Tim Herrick, KQ8M

Charter Member North Coast Contesters

kq8m@...

AR-Cluster V6 kq8m.no-ip.org

User Ports: 23, 7373 with local skimmer, 7374 without local skimmer

Server Ports: V6 3607, V4 Active 3605, V4 Passive 3606

21450. RE: [DX-IS] DXCC radio optional

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-04 05:14:39 UTC
From: KQ8M
Topic: 21446 Message: 21450

Yup. I think it's great being able to use other people's stations on the other side of the country to work new countries. What's
wrong with that? Opens up a whole new era in DXing. I'm just sharing a web site that was sent to me. Always someone that has to
whine!

73,

Tim Herrick, KQ8M

Charter Member North Coast Contesters

kq8m@...

AR-Cluster V6 kq8m.no-ip.org

User Ports: 23, 7373 with local skimmer, 7374 without local skimmer

Server Ports: V6 3607, V4 Active 3605, V4 Passive 3606

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Ron Notarius W3WN
Sent: Sunday, August 04, 2013 12:28 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] DXCC radio optional

Here we go again.

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of KQ8M
Sent: Saturday, August 03, 2013 11:53 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] DXCC radio optional

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dollars.

73,

Tim Herrick, KQ8M

Charter Member North Coast Contesters

kq8m@...

AR-Cluster V6 kq8m.no-ip.org

User Ports: 23, 7373 with local skimmer, 7374 without local skimmer

Server Ports: V6 3607, V4 Active 3605, V4 Passive 3606

21451. Re: [DX-IS] DXCC radio optional

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-04 05:51:05 UTC
From: John Peters
Topic: 21446 Message: 21451

Read the DXCC rules. It is clearly NOT ALLOWED and the contact will NOT count for DXCC. Read DXCC Section I Basic Rules, (6) contacts made through "repeater" devices or any other power relay method ... are INVALID FOR DXCC.

You CAN'T TELEPHONE hookup to a station adjacent to the DX you're trying to reach and call it a contact. You can't COMPUTER connect to a station adjacent to the DX you're trying to reach.....etc.

Improve your home station and listen more.

73 John K1ER
----- Original Message -----
From: KQ8M
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Saturday, August 03, 2013 7:10 PM
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] DXCC radio optional

They say it is totally within the DXCC rules. I think it's great. I can finally get those hard to work countries on 40-160.

73,

Tim Herrick, KQ8M

Charter Member North Coast Contesters

kq8m@...

AR-Cluster V6 kq8m.no-ip.org

User Ports: 23, 7373 with local skimmer, 7374 without local skimmer

Server Ports: V6 3607, V4 Active 3605, V4 Passive 3606

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of John Peters
Sent: Sunday, August 04, 2013 12:19 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] DXCC radio optional

I don't think a REMOTE CONTACT like that is valid for DXCC. Transmitting antenna needs to be IN the country you're in.

I don't think remote stations are likely to be common.

73 John K1ER

----- Original Message -----

From: KQ8M

To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com

Sent: Saturday, August 03, 2013 5:52 PM

Subject: [DX-IS] DXCC radio optional

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kq8m@...

AR-Cluster V6 kq8m.no-ip.org

User Ports: 23, 7373 with local skimmer, 7374 without local skimmer

Server Ports: V6 3607, V4 Active 3605, V4 Passive 3606

21452. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-04 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21452

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:Issued: 2013 Aug 04 1224 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30804
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 04 Aug 2013, 1208UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 04 Aug 2013 until 06 Aug 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Quiet conditions (<50% probability of C-class flares)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 04 Aug 2013 10CM FLUX: 106 / AP: 010
PREDICTIONS FOR 05 Aug 2013 10CM FLUX: 105 / AP: 010
PREDICTIONS FOR 06 Aug 2013 10CM FLUX: 104 / AP: 005
COMMENT:Flaring activity is low. The X-ray background radiation is situated in the
lower part of the B-level. The geomagnetic conditions are quiet. The Earth
crossed a solar sector boundary. The interplanetary magnetic field (IMF)
jumped to values above 10nT. The north-south (Bz) component is however
small and positive. Unsettled conditions are possible, depending on the
behaviour of the Bz component of the IMF.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 058, BASED ON 19 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 03 Aug 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 107
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 009
AK WINGST : 006
ESTIMATED AP : 004
ESTIMATED ISN : 069, BASED ON 20 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21453. RE: [DX-IS] DXCC radio optional

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-04 14:07:30 UTC
From: KQ8M
Topic: 21446 Message: 21453

Well, John according to a correspondence I have had with one of the people from there it is.

I had asked them if they informed their users that contacts do not count towards DXCC he claimed and I quote: ".A person need not
have a station nor invest in any part of his station to qualify for and receive endorsements for the DXCC awards."

Also I said "I do believe using the internet to "relay" a person's information is not within the DXCC rules." To which his reply was
"The internet is not a relay."

73,

Tim Herrick, KQ8M

Charter Member North Coast Contesters

kq8m@...

AR-Cluster V6 kq8m.no-ip.org

User Ports: 23, 7373 with local skimmer, 7374 without local skimmer

Server Ports: V6 3607, V4 Active 3605, V4 Passive 3606

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of John Peters
Sent: Sunday, August 04, 2013 1:51 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] DXCC radio optional

Read the DXCC rules. It is clearly NOT ALLOWED and the contact will NOT count for DXCC.
Read DXCC Section I Basic Rules, (6)
contacts made through "repeater" devices or any other power relay method ... are INVALID FOR DXCC.

You CAN'T TELEPHONE hookup to a station adjacent to the DX you're trying to reach and call it a contact. You can't COMPUTER connect
to a station adjacent to the DX you're trying to reach.....etc.

Improve your home station and listen more.

73 John K1ER

----- Original Message -----

From: KQ8M <mailto:kq8m@...>

To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com

Sent: Saturday, August 03, 2013 7:10 PM

Subject: RE: [DX-IS] DXCC radio optional

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Charter Member North Coast Contesters

kq8m@...

AR-Cluster V6 kq8m.no-ip.org

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Server Ports: V6 3607, V4 Active 3605, V4 Passive 3606

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I don't think remote stations are likely to be common.

73 John K1ER

----- Original Message -----

From: KQ8M <mailto:kq8m@...>

To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com

Sent: Saturday, August 03, 2013 5:52 PM

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kq8m@...

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Server Ports: V6 3607, V4 Active 3605, V4 Passive 3606

21454. Re: [DX-IS] DXCC radio optional

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-04 14:15:20 UTC
From: dale cole
Topic: 21446 Message: 21454

If he feels that he has worked 9 band DXCC using his warped methods, and skirted method of his the DXCC rules, so be it. It is on his conscience, not ours. However, those of us who have worked 9B (and I have not) we know we honestly did it with our rigs, antennas', and skills of busting cops, tuners, and all else, we can feel the honest joy of the honor roll. The real DESERVING.
Dale K8TS

From: John Peters <petersj007@...>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Sunday, August 4, 2013 1:51 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] DXCC radio optional

Read the DXCC rules. It is clearly NOT ALLOWED and the contact will NOT count for DXCC. Read DXCC Section I Basic Rules, (6) contacts made through "repeater" devices or any other power relay method ... are INVALID FOR DXCC.

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73 John K1ER
----- Original Message -----
>From: KQ8M
>To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
>Sent: Saturday, August 03, 2013 7:10 PM
>Subject: RE: [DX-IS] DXCC radio optional
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>kq8m@...
>AR-Cluster V6 kq8m.no-ip.org
>User Ports: 23, 7373 with local skimmer, 7374 without local skimmer
>Server Ports: V6 3607, V4 Active 3605, V4 Passive 3606
>From:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of John Peters
>Sent: Sunday, August 04, 2013 12:19 AM
>To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
>Subject: Re: [DX-IS] DXCC radio optional
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>----- Original Message -----
>>From:KQ8M
>>To:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
>>Sent:Saturday, August 03, 2013 5:52 PM
>>Subject:[DX-IS] DXCC radio optional
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21455. Re: [DX-IS] DXCC radio optional

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-04 14:19:05 UTC
From: iain macdonnell - N6ML
Topic: 21446 Message: 21455

The relevant DXCC rule is:

"9. All stations must be contacted from the same DXCC entity. The
location of any station shall be defined as the location of the
transmitter. For the purposes of this award, remote operating points
must be located within the same DXCC entity as the transmitter and
receiver. "

Using a remote station is not the same thing as going through a repeater.

I'll leave aside my views on remotehamradio.com, but that's what the
DXCC rules say.

73,

~iain / N6ML

On Sat, Aug 3, 2013 at 10:51 PM, John Peters <petersj007@...> wrote:
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> Read the DXCC rules. It is clearly NOT ALLOWED and the contact will NOT
> count for DXCC. Read DXCC Section I Basic Rules, (6) contacts made through
> "repeater" devices or any other power relay method ... are INVALID FOR DXCC.
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> to reach and call it a contact. You can't COMPUTER connect to a station
> adjacent to the DX you're trying to reach.....etc.
>
> Improve your home station and listen more.
>
> 73 John K1ER
>
> ----- Original Message -----
> From: KQ8M
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> Sent: Saturday, August 03, 2013 7:10 PM
> Subject: RE: [DX-IS] DXCC radio optional
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> They say it is totally within the DXCC rules. I think it’s great. I can
> finally get those hard to work countries on 40-160.
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> 73,
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> Tim Herrick, KQ8M
>
> Charter Member North Coast Contesters
>
> kq8m@...
>
> AR-Cluster V6 kq8m.no-ip.org
>
> User Ports: 23, 7373 with local skimmer, 7374 without local skimmer
>
> Server Ports: V6 3607, V4 Active 3605, V4 Passive 3606
>
> From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of
> John Peters
> Sent: Sunday, August 04, 2013 12:19 AM
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> Subject: Re: [DX-IS] DXCC radio optional
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> From: KQ8M
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> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
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> Sent: Saturday, August 03, 2013 5:52 PM
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21456. RE: [DX-IS] DXCC radio optional

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-04 14:36:02 UTC
From: KQ8M
Topic: 21446 Message: 21456

Actually Dale, my comments were typed tongue in check. I personally would never walk down this road. It is an ethical thing for me although I know a large number of members don't believe in ethics only the letter of the law. I have written to my DXAC member and also to the DXCC desk asking for clarification on this aspect. If we ARE allowed to use someone else's station across the internet in another part of the country then I personally believe it will eventually ruin the integrity of the DCC program.

As more and more stations come on line like this, and I am sure there will be some "renting" their stations, then more and more people will figure they no longer need to build their own stations and with just a computer or even cell phone, operate someone else's.

73,

Tim Herrick, KQ8M

Charter Member North Coast Contesters

kq8m@...

AR-Cluster V6 kq8m.no-ip.org

User Ports: 23, 7373 with local skimmer, 7374 without local skimmer

Server Ports: V6 3607, V4 Active 3605, V4 Passive 3606

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of dale cole
Sent: Sunday, August 04, 2013 10:15 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] DXCC radio optional

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21457. RE: [DX-IS] DXCC radio optional

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-04 15:28:30 UTC
From: Ron Notarius W3WN
Topic: 21446 Message: 21457

And this is why I said "here we go again" - to which I got a wisecrack from Tim in return.

We have been over this ground many times before. Clearly to no avail.

First and foremost, remote stations (remote base, internet radio, whatever) have their places. Some people have few or no other options under their circumstances. that is not a tangent I wish to go down right now.

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If you don't want to operate the remote stations. don't. It's as simple as that.

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21461. Re: [DX-IS] DXCC radio optional

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-04 20:19:16 UTC
From: John Peters
Topic: 21446 Message: 21461

I suspect that answer merely means you MAY BORROW someone elses station. But the Antenna must be in the country you claim to be in.

John K1ER
----- Original Message -----
From: KQ8M
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Sunday, August 04, 2013 4:07 AM
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] DXCC radio optional

Well, John according to a correspondence I have had with one of the people from there it is.

I had asked them if they informed their users that contacts do not count towards DXCC he claimed and I quote: ".A person need not have a station nor invest in any part of his station to qualify for and receive endorsements for the DXCC awards."

Also I said "I do believe using the internet to "relay" a person's information is not within the DXCC rules." To which his reply was "The internet is not a relay."

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21462. Re: [DX-IS] DXCC radio optional

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-04 20:23:33 UTC
From: John Peters
Topic: 21446 Message: 21462

Paul,
Before ARRL changed Rule 9, I had DXCC from several places in the USA. When the current Rule 9 was adopted I jumped to Honor Roll Nr 1. It is easy to work Europe from Maine, Africa from SC or FL, Asia from Seattle and San Diego, etc. I certainly prefer the current rule 9. BUT the antenna must still be in YOUR COUNTRY.

John K1ER
----- Original Message -----
From: Paul Stoetzer
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Sunday, August 04, 2013 5:38 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] DXCC radio optional

That is the current rule, but in the United States (and Canada, or any other very large DXCC), it presents a problem. I rarely hear and/or work East/Southeast Asia from my location here in Washington, DC, so my DXCC totals lack most of those countries. I could access a remote station on the West Coast and pick a bunch of them off pretty easily if I wanted to. Personally, I won't even go to another ham's house to work a new DXCC (and it was very tempting during the 7O6T DXpedition when I just couldn't get them from home). It only means something to me if I do it from my own equipment.

73,

Paul, N8HM

On Sun, Aug 4, 2013 at 11:33 AM, Ron Notarius W3WN <wn3vaw@verizon.net> wrote:

What is there to clarify? The rules are clear.

The rules (see DXCC rule 9, and thanks Ian N6ML for posting this early) currently state that remote stations that are located in a different entity from the operator do not count. I don’t see where this is a misunderstanding here.

Regardless of what the owner(s) of a remote station(s) says.

And for the record, I for one would not ask for, nor would I support, a change to DXCC Rule 9 to permit this type of operating. Because I agree that such a change WOULD change the integrity of the program.

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of KQ8M
Sent: Sunday, August 04, 2013 10:36 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com

Subject: RE: [DX-IS] DXCC radio optional

Actually Dale, my comments were typed tongue in check. I personally would never walk down this road. It is an ethical thing for me although I know a large number of members don’t believe in ethics only the letter of the law. I have written to my DXAC member and also to the DXCC desk asking for clarification on this aspect. If we ARE allowed to use someone else’s station across the internet in another part of the country then I personally believe it will eventually ruin the integrity of the DCC program.

As more and more stations come on line like this, and I am sure there will be some “renting” their stations, then more and more people will figure they no longer need to build their own stations and with just a computer or even cell phone, operate someone else’s.

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of dale cole
Sent: Sunday, August 04, 2013 10:15 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] DXCC radio optional

If he feels that he has worked 9 band DXCC using his warped methods, and skirted method of his the DXCC rules, so be it. It is on his conscience, not ours. However, those of us who have worked 9B (and I have not) we know we honestly did it with our rigs, antennas', and skills of busting cops, tuners, and all else, we can feel the honest joy of the honor roll. The real DESERVING.

Dale K8TS

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21463. Re: DXCC radio optional

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-04 21:31:13 UTC
From: Bob
Topic: 21446 Message: 21463

Ha...this is funny

I see once again the real DXCC rule has made it into the responses rather than the 50mile WAS rules or the xFeet contest rules. Good we are learning

A couple of thoughts then I will be quiet!

Who is this pain running http://remotehamradio.com that sends spam advertising email to all my mobile device under arrl email addresses!

What brain dead individual would pay that kind of membership fee to run a station over the internet. (try working a major pile up that way)

If you can't work every major DX with 100watts and a Doublet you have a lot to learn. (obviously not every band.. but a contact!)

Never mind my main station I have worked 259 DXCC over the last 10 years in a remote location with 100watts and a doublet....and I'm only there for less than a week a month.

So here is the deal I'll let you use my wire remotely for $9.95 a month....send money.

Bob

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21464. Re: [DX-IS] DXCC radio optional

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-04 23:42:51 UTC
From: GARY HUBER
Topic: 21446 Message: 21464

Pretty pricey for a casual DXer. Even if it meets the DXCC rules, the guy who uses the remote rig to better his DXCC scores still knows how he did it. Not for me. I'd prefer to run a small vertical or wire and a 100 W when I down-size. I can see a need for remote operation when there are antenna and or rig restrictions but something specifically like remotehamradio.com.... I don't think so...

73 ES DX,
Gary -- AB9M

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21465. email account (off subject)

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-05 01:32:38 UTC
From: dale cole
Topic: 21465 Message: 21465

is anyone using att.net for email? if so would you email me off the reflector
TIA
Dale K8TS
dchamguy at att dot net

21466. Re: [DX-IS] DXCC radio optional

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-05 02:34:27 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 21446 Message: 21466

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Subject: Re: [DX-IS] DXCC radio optional

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21467. Re: [DX-IS] DXCC radio optional

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-05 03:16:25 UTC
From: iain macdonnell - N6ML
Topic: 21446 Message: 21467

The rules cover that too...

"6. All contacts must be made with amateur stations working in the
authorized amateur bands or with other stations licensed or authorized
to work amateurs. Contacts made through "repeater" devices or any
other power relay methods (other than satellites for Satellite DXCC)
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21468. RE: [DX-IS] DXCC radio optional

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-05 03:21:37 UTC
From: Ron Notarius W3WN
Topic: 21446 Message: 21468

However, contacts via Amateur Radio Satellite are ONLY eligible for the
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> kq8m@...
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> AR-Cluster V6 kq8m.no-ip.org
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> User Ports: 23, 7373 with local skimmer, 7374 without local skimmer
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> Server Ports: V6 3607, V4 Active 3605, V4 Passive 3606
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> From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of
> John Peters
> Sent: Sunday, August 04, 2013 12:19 AM
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> Subject: Re: [DX-IS] DXCC radio optional
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> I don't think a REMOTE CONTACT like that is valid for DXCC. Transmitting
> antenna needs to be IN the country you're in.
>
> I don't think remote stations are likely to be common.
>
> 73 John K1ER
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> ----- Original Message -----
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> From: KQ8M
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> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
>
> Sent: Saturday, August 03, 2013 5:52 PM
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> Subject: [DX-IS] DXCC radio optional
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21469. Re: DXCC radio optional

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-05 07:39:59 UTC
From: Cliff Hedgepeth
Topic: 21446 Message: 21469

Thats my thought. I have 267 so far using 100 w and a piece of wire. Thats how I started 54 years ago and how i'm going to finish. DXCC isn't supposed to be easy.

Cliff
K4MLD

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> 73 ES DX,
> Gary -- AB9M
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> From: KQ8M
> Sent: Saturday, August 03, 2013 10:52 PM
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> Subject: [DX-IS] DXCC radio optional
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21470. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-05 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21470

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:Issued: 2013 Aug 05 1215 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30805
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 05 Aug 2013, 1208UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 05 Aug 2013 until 07 Aug 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Quiet conditions (<50% probability of C-class flares)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 05 Aug 2013 10CM FLUX: 105 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 06 Aug 2013 10CM FLUX: 101 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 07 Aug 2013 10CM FLUX: 099 / AP: 007
COMMENT:Solar activity has been low and is expected to remain so for the next 24
hours. A slight chance on a C-flare is possible from AR NOAA 1806 (Catania
50). Geomagnetic activity reached minor storm levels (K=5) around 18:00 UT
on August 4th due to a fast solar wind stream from a coronal hole.
Geomagnetic conditions are currently quiet and are expected to remain so
for the next 48 hours.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 056, BASED ON 15 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 04 Aug 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 105
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 038
AK WINGST : 024
ESTIMATED AP : 023
ESTIMATED ISN : 056, BASED ON 26 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21471. Re: [DX-IS] Re: DXCC radio optional

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-05 14:37:38 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 21446 Message: 21471

Do you just want a certificate you can wave in front of other people's noses, or do you want to have fun in the chase? I run low power (mostly) to wire antennas. I enjoy having a tough pileup to crack. I'm pleased if I get through on the first couple calls but don't mind sitting in the chair for a few hours at my home station trying to bust a pileup. Then I can say I did it at my own station in the Black Hole.

73, Zack W9SZ

On Mon, Aug 5, 2013 at 2:39 AM, Cliff Hedgepeth <k4mld@...> wrote:

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> antenna and or rig restrictions but something specifically like
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> >
> > 73 ES DX,
> > Gary -- AB9M
> >
> > From: KQ8M
> > Sent: Saturday, August 03, 2013 10:52 PM
> > To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> > Subject: [DX-IS] DXCC radio optional
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21472. Flying Horse Summer 2013 Call Book

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-06 00:55:09 UTC
From: K1XN
Topic: 21373 Message: 21472

***RAC Flying Horse Summer 2013 Call Book CD including a FREE thumb drive. Order online, pay with PayPal at http://shop.golist.net/index.php**
***

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ATTEND This Years
W4DXCC DX CONVENTION
Pigeon Forge, Tennessee
September 27-28 2013*

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21473. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-06 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21473

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:Issued: 2013 Aug 06 1217 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30806
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 06 Aug 2013, 1208UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 06 Aug 2013 until 08 Aug 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Quiet conditions (<50% probability of C-class flares)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 06 Aug 2013 10CM FLUX: 102 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 07 Aug 2013 10CM FLUX: 102 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 08 Aug 2013 10CM FLUX: 100 / AP: 007
COMMENT:Solar activity has been very low. No flares (C - class or higher) occurred
in the last 24 hours and it is expected to remain so for the next 24 hours.
Geomagnetic activity has been quiet and is expected to remain so for the
next 48 hours.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 049, BASED ON 16 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 05 Aug 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 104
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 019
AK WINGST : 019
ESTIMATED AP : 020
ESTIMATED ISN : 055, BASED ON 18 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21474. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-07 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21474

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:Issued: 2013 Aug 07 1213 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30807
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 07 Aug 2013, 1208UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 07 Aug 2013 until 09 Aug 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Quiet conditions (<50% probability of C-class flares)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 07 Aug 2013 10CM FLUX: 102 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 08 Aug 2013 10CM FLUX: 102 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 09 Aug 2013 10CM FLUX: 103 / AP: 007
COMMENT:Solar activity has been very low. No flares (C - class or higher) occurred
in the last 24 hours and it is expected to remain so for the next 24 hours.
Geomagnetic activity has been quiet and is expected to remain so for the
next 48 hours.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 052, BASED ON 11 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 06 Aug 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 096
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 104
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 008
AK WINGST : 008
ESTIMATED AP : 007
ESTIMATED ISN : 048, BASED ON 26 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21475. FOR SALE IRC'S

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-08 06:29:01 UTC
From: K1XN
Topic: 21475 Message: 21475

Current IRCs For Sale. Expire 12-31-2013
$1.35 each postage paid mailing to you (USA ONLY)
10 IRCs Minimum order please
Email me for availability.
golist@...

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John K1XN
golist(at)gmail.com

ATTEND
W4DXCC DX CONVENTION
Pigeon Forge, Tennessee
September 27-28 2013

21476. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-08 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21476

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:Issued: 2013 Aug 08 1200 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30808
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 08 Aug 2013, 1208UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 08 Aug 2013 until 10 Aug 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Quiet conditions (<50% probability of C-class flares)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 08 Aug 2013 10CM FLUX: 107 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 09 Aug 2013 10CM FLUX: 108 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 10 Aug 2013 10CM FLUX: 110 / AP: 007
COMMENT:There are currently 7 AR's on the solar disk. There was no flaring above
C-class level, however a long duration B-flare (peak B6.3) from AR NOAA
1810 (Catania 56) resulted in a CME with an angular width of about 120
degrees and a speed of about 350 km/s as seen in LASCO C2 around 18:30 UT
on August 7th. Although this CME is mostly south bound a glancing blow is
likely. The estimated arrival time of this CME is August 12th around 02:30
UT. Geomagnetic activity has been quiet and it is estimated to remain
so for the next 48 hours.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 064, BASED ON 13 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 07 Aug 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 108
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 106
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 007
AK WINGST : 004
ESTIMATED AP : 003
ESTIMATED ISN : 060, BASED ON 20 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21477. ARLD032 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-08 21:43:00 UTC
From: jjreisert@...
Topic: 5555 Message: 21477

SB DX @ ARL $ARLD032
ARLD032 DX news

ZCZC AE32
QST de W1AW
DX Bulletin 32 ARLD032
>From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT August 8, 2013
To all radio amateurs

SB DX ARL ARLD032
ARLD032 DX news

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by QRZ DX, the OPDX Bulletin, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, DXNL, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

MAURITIUS, 3B8. 3B8/HB9ARY is QRV until August 11. Look for him on 1830 kHz on CW at local sunrise, 0130Z. He expects to return to 3B8 every six months. QSL direct via HB9ARY or through the Swiss bureau.

GREENLAND, OX. Station OX5YL will be a group of YL operators QRV from August 16-20. At the radios will be HL1KDW, JR3MVF, LA6RHA, SM6KAT and WA0WOF. QSL direct or via bureau to PA5YL.

ST. PIERRE and MIQUELON ISLANDS, FP. Peter, FP/DJ4TC and Hermann, FP/DL2NUD will be QRV from September 10-21. They will be QRV only on 2 meters, 70 centimeters and 23 centimeters using JT65B and JT65C. QSL via their home calls.

CANARY ISLANDS, EA8. Bob, DL7VOA will be operating as EA8/DL7VOA until August 17. Listen for him during his evenings mostly on CW. QSL to DL7VOA, direct or via the Bureau. Members of the Grupo DX Gran Canaria and URE Las Palmas will be active as AO8LH from Puna de la Aldea Lighthouse. Activity will be on all HF bands using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via EA8AKN and LoTW. Andrew, G7COD, will be active as EA8/home call from Gran Canaria from August 9-31. Activity will be on 30 through 6 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via his home call sign, direct, by the Bureau or eQSL and LoTW.

ALAND ISLAND, OH0. OH0/DM2ECM, will be active until August 16. His main activity is meteor scatter work during the peak of the Perseids meteor shower, with a random operating schedule and plan.

RODRIGUEZ ISLAND, 3B9. The Verona DX Team will be QRV for EME activity on 144 and 432 MHz as well as HF operations from September 1-9. The team is currently awaiting approval of the call sign 3B9EME. Operators include Walter, I3VJW; Luc, I3LDP; Rony, IZ3KIF and Alessandro, IK5MIC. They will have two stations on at the same time on the HF bands, with an emphasis on 160, 80, 40, 30, 17 and 12 meters, using CW, SSB, RTTY, JT65hf and PSK31.

MONTENEGRO, 4O. Operators Goran, YT7AW and Ivan, YT4RA/IV3CTS will be active as 4O/home calls until August 15. Activity will be starting from Durmitor National Park (4OFF-002), and then followed by seaside activity, with a possible stopover on EU-163 (Crna Gora). QSL via their home calls per QRZ.com.

TANZANIA, 5H. Byron, KF8UN will be QRV as 5H3BB until August 20. Look for him on 40 through 15 meters, but mostly on 20 meters using SSB with some CW. QSL direct via his home call.

MALDIVES, 8Q. Operators Herbert, DL7AHF and Michael, DG8MH will be active as 8Q7HF and 8Q7MH, respectively, until August 11. QSL via their home call signs.

ECUADOR, HC. Emanuelle, IK2OHG, will be active as HC2IOH from Guayaquil between August 10 and September 12. Activity will be holiday style on 40-10 meters, including 30, 17 and 12 meters, using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via his home call sign, direct, by the bureau or LoTW.

PALAU, T8. Masashi, JL1FUQ will be QRV as T88GJ from September 20-24. Activity will be limited or dates may change because of his work, but look for him on 20, 17, 15, 12, 10 and 6 meters using SSB and possibly AM, PSK31 and RTTY. QSL via his home call sign, by the bureau or direct.

NAMIBIA, V5. Winfried, DK9IP will be active as V55V from V52W's QTH in Omaruru for the Worked All Europe DX CW Contest, August 10 and 11, as a Single-Op/High-Power entry. QSL via DJ8VC. Before and after the contest, he will sign V5/DK9IP. Activity will be on 160-10 meters, possibly with some RTTY and 6 meter operation, until August 13. QSL V5/DK9IP via his home call sign.

VIETNAM, XV. Masanobu, JR5JAQ is active as XV2JJ. His length of stay is unknown. Activity has been on 20, 17 and 15 meters, mainly CW with some SSB. QSL via JH5RXS, direct or by the Bureau.

LAOS, XW. Champ, E21EIC will be active as XW0YJY during the Worked All Europe CW Contest as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. Outside of the contest, Champ will try 6 meters some days around 50.112 MHz. He is expected to be QRV until September 14 on on 160-2 meters. QSL via E21EIC and LoTW.

PORTUGAL, CT. The Associacao de Radioamadores da Vila de Moscavide will be active as CS2HNI from the lighthouse at Forte do Cavalo

(PT-0012 - ARLHS POR-021) during the International Lighthouse/Lightship Weekend 2013, August 17 and 18. Look for them using SSB on 40, 20, 15 and 10 metres. QSL via CT1RVM, bureau preferred.

JUAN FERNANDEZ, XR0. XR0ZR will be QRV from November 8 to 20. Activity will be on 160-6 meters. Operations will include 6 meter EME and possibly 2 meter EME.

OPERATIONS APPROVED FOR DXCC CREDIT. Somalia, T5TC, 2013 operation; Laos, XW2CW, 2012 operation.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The Worked All Europe CW, Straight Key Weekend Sprintathon, Maryland-DC QSO Party, Fall VHF Sprint-50 MHz and NJQRP Skeeter Hunt are all on tap for this weekend. Please see August QST, page 73 and the ARRL and WA7BNM contest web sites for details.
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21478. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-09 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21478

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:Issued: 2013 Aug 09 1224 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
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# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30809
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 09 Aug 2013, 1208UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 09 Aug 2013 until 11 Aug 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Quiet conditions (<50% probability of C-class flares)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : No forecast
PREDICTIONS FOR 09 Aug 2013 10CM FLUX: 104 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 10 Aug 2013 10CM FLUX: 104 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 11 Aug 2013 10CM FLUX: 105 / AP: 007
COMMENT:solar activity remained quiet and is expected to remain so for the next 24
hours although C-class flaring becomes more likely with the increasing
complexity of AR NOAA 1813 (Catania 63). Geomagnetic conditions where quiet
and are expected to remain so for the next 48 hours.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 045, BASED ON 17 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 08 Aug 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 101
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 104
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 008
AK WINGST : 005
ESTIMATED AP : 004
ESTIMATED ISN : 064, BASED ON 21 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21479. ARLP032 Propagation de K7RA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-09 19:12:51 UTC
From: jjreisert@...
Topic: 5561 Message: 21479

SB PROP @ ARL $ARLP032
ARLP032 Propagation de K7RA

ZCZC AP32
QST de W1AW
Propagation Forecast Bulletin 32 ARLP032
>From Tad Cook, K7RA
Seattle, WA August 9, 2013
To all radio amateurs

SB PROP ARL ARLP032
ARLP032 Propagation de K7RA

Solar indicators barely moved this week, with average daily sunspot numbers up 5.8 points to 85.4, and average daily solar flux down 2.4 points to 107.3.

Predicted solar flux for the next week is low, with the predicted average for Thursday, August 8 through Wednesday, August 14 at 104.9, a little lower than the 107.3 average for this past week.

Solar flux is predicted at 105 on August 9-16, 110 on August 17-18, 105 on August 19-24, 110 on August 25-28, 115 on August 29, 105 on August 30 through September 2, 110 on September 3-4, and 115 on September 5-12.

Predicted planetary A index is 10, 22, 25, 12 and 5 on August 9-13, 12 on August 14-15, 5 on August 16-20, then 10, 15 and 10 on August 21-23, 5 on August 24-30, then 12, 17, 8, 5 and 8 on August 31 through September 4, 5 on September 5-9, and 8 on September 10-11.

OK1HH predicts the geomagnetic field will be quiet to unsettled August 9, quiet to active August 10-11, mostly quiet August 12, quiet on August 13, active to disturbed August 14, mostly quiet August 15-17, quiet to unsettled August 18, mostly quiet August 19, quiet August 20, quiet to unsettled August 21, active to disturbed August 22, quiet to unsettled August 23, quiet to active August 24, quiet August 25-30, and active to disturbed August 31.

In recent bulletin ARLP024 we noted that the site for downloading W6ELprop had a bad link, and then referenced an ftp site. Now that ftp site requires a login, so the best place to find W6ELprop is via K9LA. Go to http://www.k9la.us and click on Tutorials and note the W6ELPropInst270 link.

Many emails arrived this week concerning the sun's 180-degree flip in magnetic polarity, upcoming at the solar cycle peak. Check out

http://science.nasa.gov/science-news/science-at-nasa/2013/05aug_fieldflip/, and
http://earthsky.org/science-wire/the-suns-magnetic-field-is-about-to-flip.

Thanks to K9TF, K6HI, K3MJ, WB0OEW and M0VNG among others for the
heads-up.

Here is an interesting comment about the 100-year-sunspot-minima
theory:
http://informthepundits.wordpress.com/2013/08/02/sunspot-cycle-in-100-year-dip/.

And check this amazing photo of a sunspot:
http://io9.com/behold-the-clearest-photo-of-a-sunspot-ever-taken-1054493465.

Roland Anders, K3RA told us recently about some experiences with
unexpected propagation on 15 meters. On August 6, he sent this:

"The antenna is a 3 element SteppIR at 50 feet (DB18 with two
'trombones' for 40/30. As for Lawyers Hill, it is not all that high
above sea level (about 200 feet) but I have a pretty sharp drop off
NE to South. The terrain is not all that high here, about 200 feet,
and the land rises steadily to the NNW and around to SW. But to the
NE to South it drops off very steadily from my antenna for miles,.
So it is a relatively good location."

"Friday August 2 I worked about 25 Oceana and Asian stations with
some Europeans intermixed from 1318 UTC to 1703 UTC. Asia/Oceana
included YB, JA, DU, HL, VK8, 9M6, and HS. (All on 15 meters)."

"On Saturday August 3 I worked about 25 Pacific/Asia stations (YB,
JA, XV, DU, UA9, VK8) from 1210 UTC til 1350 UTC on 15 meters. I
moved to 17 meters at 1430 UTC which was wide open to Europe, and
also worked a couple JA's there at 1500 UTC. At about 1600 UTC I
heard a weak SM station in QSO with another European station on 12
meters. I called CQ and worked about 40 European stations until I
quit at 1815 UTC. I don't know how much longer 12 meters was open
from East Coast USA to Europe. During that time I worked stations
from F to 4X, and as far north as SM and south to CU3."

"On Sunday August 4, I worked a YB on 15 meters at 1220 UTC, then
moved to 12 meters and worked a half dozen European stations on 12
meters from 1230 UTC until 1300 UTC. I was unable to stay on much
longer, so I don't know how conditions panned out the rest of the
day on 12 meters."

"On Monday, August 5 conditions to Asia on 15 meters did not repeat.
European stations were present, but not strong."

"I could not listen until noon today (August 6), but nothing coming
through from YB and Europe not strong on 15 meters."

Thanks Rol.

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Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://arrl.org/propagation.

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Sunspot numbers for August 1 through 7 were 88, 112, 104, 75, 59, 61, and 99, with a mean of 85.4. 10.7 cm flux was 112.1, 112.9, 107.3, 104.8, 104.3, 103.9, and 105.5, with a mean of 107.3. Estimated planetary A indices were 5, 4, 5, 16, 16, 7, and 4, with a mean of 8.1. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 4, 3, 6, 11, 11, 6, and 6, with a mean of 6.7.
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**** DX INFORMATION ****
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4S - This year the Radio Society of Sri Lanka's annual activity during the International Lighthouse Lightship Weekend (17-18 August) will take place from Dondra Head Lighthouse, on the extreme southern tip of the main island (AS-003). Look for 4S7LGT to be QRV on 40-15 metres. [TNX 4S7JL]
6W - Freddy, F5IRO will be active as 6V7O from Senegal on 12-26 August. He will operate mainly CW on 40-10 metres. QSL via F8DFP, direct or bureau. The logs will be uploaded to Club Log and LoTW at end of August. [TNX DX World]
9A - Leo, S50R will be active as 9A/S50R from Solta Island (EU-016) on 9-17 August. QSL via home call, direct or bureau, and LoTW. [TNX rsgbiota.org]
9A - Dirk, DO7DP will be active holiday style as 9A/DO7DP from Rab Island (EU-136) on 10-24 August. He will operate on the HF bands using PSK31, RTTY and some SSB. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX DX Newsltter]
9A - Marco, IZ3GNG will be active as 9A/IZ3GNG from Rab Island (EU-136) on 13-18 August and from Korcula Island (EU-016) on 19-26 August. QSL via home call (email requests for bureau cards to iz3gng[@]gmail.com). [TNX IZ3GNG]
A4 - A team from the Royal Omani Amateur Radio Society will operate SSB, CW and digital modes as A43MI from Masirah Island (AS-014) on 20-24 September. QSL via A47RS. [TNX A41MA]
CT7 - Jose Luis CT1GZB (SSB and CW), Carlos CT1CSY (SSB) and Rafael CT2JXT (PSK31 and RTTY) will be active as CR6LH from the lighthouse at Cabo Raso (ARLHS POR-011) on 17-18 August for the ILLW. QSL via CT1GZB, direct or bureau. [TNX CT1GZB]
CT7 - The Associacao de Radioamadores da Vila de Moscavide will operate SSB on 40, 20, 15 and 10 metres as CS2HNI from the lighthouse at Forte do Cavalo (ARLHS POR-021) on 17-18 August during the ILLW. QSL via CT1RVM, bureau preferred. The special callsign honours the memory of Artur Machado, CT2HNI (SK in 2009). [TNX CT1RVM]
EA - The reconstruction of Donostia-San Sebastian started immediately after the city burned to the ground during a tragic siege in 1813. Commemorating those events, the Union de Radioaficionados de Donostia (EA2URD) will use special callsign EH200D (QSL via

EA2URD) for the rest of the year. The first two activities will take place on 24-25 August (from the Mota Castle) and 31 August-1 September (from EA2URD's HQ). Also, amateur radio operators in the province of Gipuzkoa will be allowed to use "200" in their prefix (e.g. EA200XYZ for EA2XYZ) between 24 August and 15 September. [TNX EA2EA]

EA8 - Grupo DX Gran Canaria and URE Las Palmas will participate in the ILLW (17-18 August) as AO8LH the lighthouse at Punta de la Aldea on the island of Gran Canaria (AF-004). Look for activity on the HF bands CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via EA8AKN and LoTW. [TNX EA8RM]

GI - The Lagan Valley ARS (GI4GTY) will be active as GB0REL from the East Lighthouse on Rathlin Island (EU-122) on 16-18 August. QSL via LoTW only.

GW - The official entrants list for this year's ILLW (http://illw.net/index.php/entrants-list-2013) includes GC0OBS from St Tudwal's. Please note that the operators (G8CQH and G4WMH) will will be located on mainland Wales, as they did last year, and not on the nearby island. Both the St Tudwal's Islands (EU-106) are private property, and the owners "do not allow the public, let alone radio hams, to visit" (MM0NDX). QSL GC0OBS via G4WMH.

I - The Calabria DX Team will be active as II8LH from the lighthouse at Capo Spartivento (WAIL CL-009, ARLHS ITA-043) on 10 August. QSL via HB9FHZ (bureau) or IK8YFU (direct), LoTW and eQSL.

I - Look for Paolo, IA5/IZ5NFD, to be active from Elba Island (EU-028) on 12-18 August. He will be QRV on 40-2 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX rsgbiota.org]

I - A group of operators from ARI Genova (IQ1GE) will be active as II1L from La Lanterna (ARLHS ITA-177, WAIL LI-005) for the ILLW on 17-18 August. QSL direct or bureau. [TNX IZ1BZS]

OZ - Bernd, DL2SBE will be active holiday style as OZ/DL2SBE from Lolland Island (EU-029) on 10-24 August. He will operate SSB, PSK and RTTY. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX rsgbiota]

SP - Look for SP2BIK, SP2BRN, SP2IZC and SP2TQW to be active as SN2NP from the historic lighthouse at Gdansk Nowy Port on 16-18 August. QSL via SP2BIK, direct or bureau. [TNX SP2BIK]

SV5 - Look for SV5/EM5F to be active from QRV from Rhodes, Dodecanese Islands (EU-001) on 15-24 August. QSL via UR5FAV (email address for bureau cards: orionua[@]orion.od.ua) and LoTW.

SV9 - Luc, ON6DSL will be active as SV9/ON6DSL/p from Crete (EU-015) on 12-21 August. He will operate SSB on 40-15 metres QRP (5 watts). QSL via home call. bureau preferred. [TNX NG3K]

V5 - Winfried, DK9IP will be active as V55V from Namibia for the Worked All Europe DX CW Contest (10-11 August). QSL via DJ8VC. Outside the contest, on 8-13 August, he will be QRV as V5/DK9IP (QSL via home call) on all bands, possibly with some RTTY and 6m activity. [TNX NG3K]

VE - Jim, AE1C will be active holiday style as AE1C/VE9 from Grand Manan Island (NA-014) on 18-25 August. QSL via home call. [TNX rsgbiota.org]

YB - Budi, YF1AR will be active as YF1AR/1 from the Cikoneng-Anyer

Lighthouse (ARLHS IDO-081) in Banten province of Java (OC-021)
until 11 August. He will be QRV on 40-10 metres mainly SSB, with
some CW and digital modes. QSL via N2OO. [TNX YF1AR]
YB - YB5NOF and others [425DXN 1160] now expect to be active as YE5T
from Tambelan Island (OC-122) from 28 August to 1 September, and
as YE5S from Serasan Island (OC-109) on 4-8 September. QSL via
W2FB. [TNX JN6RZM]
YV - The Grupo DX Caracas has plans be active as YW5X from Isla La
Orchila (SA-054) on 20-26 August. QSL via DM4TI. [TNX N6VR]

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425 DX NEWS MAGAZINE ---> The July 2013 issue is now available for download
at www.425dxn.org/monthly/index.html. [TNX IZ3EBA]

AMSTERDAM 2014 ---> FT5ZM will be located at two operating sites 2.5 km
apart (see www.amsterdamdx.org/ft5zm-operating-sites/). From both sites they
will use verticals and dedicated receive antennas for the low bands, and
3-element monoband Yagis for the high bands. "Your support and financial
contributions are critical to our success", the organizers say. "If you
have not yet made a contribution to this DXpedition, we ask that you please
consider doing so by going to the Donate button on our home page. We need
your help".

DXCC NEWS ---> T5TC (Somalia, 2013 operation) and XW2CW (Laos, 2012
operation) have approved for DXCC credit. If you have had any of them
rejected in a prior application, send a note to bmoore[@]arrl.org to be
placed on the list for an update to your record. Also, please note the
submission date and/or reference number where the rejection was noted to
expedite the search for any rejected QSOs. [TNX NC1L]

NA-050 ---> The logsearch for K6VVA/KL7's recent activity from Barter
Island is now up and running at www.k6vva.com/iota/logsearch/. Rick made
3,446 QSOs (all but 140 on CW) with 2,919 unique callsigns. A summary and a
few pictures can be found on http://dx-world.net.

RI1FJ ---> Evgenij, RI1FJ (UA4RX) is leaving Franz Josef Land in
mid-August, and "is 99.9% sure there will be nobody to replace him on ham
bands for the 2013-14 season". During his last three activities as R1FJT
(2006-2008) and RI1FJ (2010-2011 and 2012-2013), Evgenij made about 80,000
contacts and managed to earn the DXCC Challenge with more than 1,000
band-point QSOs confirmed by LoTW. His final log will be uploaded to LoTW
shortly after he is back on mainland Russia. QSL via UA2FM (OQRS on Club
Log). [TNX UA2FM]

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3Z2013TSR SP1YGL GM8SRS/p M1REK R863LC R3LC
4L1UN EA7FTR GW2L G8ATD R863LK RV3LK
4L5O N3SL GW8K MW0DHF RA36ZF RV9CVA
4L8A K1BV GX4KPT M0DOL RT6A/1 R7AA
4U1GSC 9A2AA H40IOTA NR6M RT9K/p RX9KM
5A1AL DL1AL H70ORO TI4SU SA1A SM1TDE
5B4AHL M0URX HC1AJQ EA7FTR SF2X/p SM5EFX
5H3BL IV3RTL HF13C SQ1DWR SI3A SM3LIV
5P5CW DL5SE HF13Z SP1FFC SM5CKV/p G0CKV
5Q2AE I2AE HF2013TSR SP1DPA SN0RX SP8RX
5R8UI IZ8CCW HF22MFF SP6PZG SN13C SQ1EUG
5W0TH JP1TRJ HK6DOS EA7FTR SN13E SQ1SDX
5Z4FV N3ZS HL2ZBD/3 JK3IJQ SN13I SP1MGM
9A0D DK8ZZ HQ2W KD4POJ SN13N SP1MVG
9A8DV IK6VXO HQ3W KD4POJ SN13S SP1NVM
9A8M 9A3JB HR2DMR KD4POJ SN13Z SP1QXK
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A41OO NI5DX II3VR/IV3 IQ3VO ST2SF K0YAK
A61BM IZ8CLM IJ7T IZ7AUH SV48FF SV2GWY
A61E IZ8CLM IM0C IS0BGL SV9/LZ3FN LZ1PM
A65BP UA6MF IP1T IZ5JLF SW9GG MM0GOR
ATBSG13 VU2RBI J28NC F5RQQ SX8HOMER SV8GXQ
BA4TB/4 BA4TB J48A SV1OAN TC0GI TA1HZ
BA4WL/5 BD4WO J49A SV9GPV TF4X G3SWH
CN2RN F8FGU J79TW N0TW TI60RC TI0RC
CQ9D CT3KN JG8NQJ/JD1 JA8CJY TK13RNB F8BBL
CR1D CT1EEK JT5DX JT1CO TM0SM F5CWU
CR2F HB9CRV K6VVA/KL7 N6AWD TM16C F4DSE
CR2T CU2AF KL7RRC N7RO TM2NOI F4FVI
CR5CW CT7ACG KP4ES NP3O TM5KD F8GGV
CW90A CX2ABC KP4MS W4DN TM7T ON8ZL
CX2BR EA5GL KT3Q/5 DF8DX TM8FAJ F8BMG
D44TS DL3GCS LN7H LA7H TO1PF FR1GZ
D80HQ HL1OYF LY777QT LY2QT UE10RFF RG5G
D90ID/2 HL2UOK LZ1105PIO LZ1KCP UE70O RV3EEO
E720ZRHB E77E M0NMS/p LX1NO UE80RWW R4AAS
E73W E73Y M7X G0TSM UN7OGE RW6HS
E74A K2PF M8C G4DFI UP44WFF UN6QC
E7DX E77E MJ/OT9Z ON8ZL V29SH VE6SH
ED1K EA1NK MM2N MM0GPZ V44KAI W5TFW

EF8U EA8URL MM3I G3SWH V47JA W5JON
EG1SMA EA1RKA MM3KBU/p M3KBU V49J W5JON
EG7RPM EA7RCM MU0HTJ 2E0SQL V5/UT5UY UT5UY
EI1A PA3249 MZ5A G3TXF V5/UZ1HZ UT5UY
EI7M EI6HB OD5ARMY OD5NJ V73AY BD4DYH
EJ0A EI4GXB OG5A OH5AD VA7ISL VE7JH
EJ1Y EI5JQ OH0JV DL7RV VC2CGJCS VE2RAE
EJ5KF/p EI5KF OH0PM OH2PM W1T W1GLO
EO375LC UT2LY OH0V OH6LI XM3B VE3JO
ES0U ES2DJ OH6RX OH6GDX XP1AB OZ1ACB
ES9YOTA ES1CW OM20TUSR OM3RP XV1X RW6HS
EX8NR RW6HS OO7VA ON7VA XV2JJ JH5RXS
FG4NO F4AVX OX3LX OZ1PIF YL11WCA/p YL2IU
G7N G5XV OY1OF M0URX YQ0BIKE YO6KNE
GB1AJ GM4WZG OZ0TX DL7AT YS1/NP3J EA5GL
GB1OOL G4SJX PF10C ON4ON Z81D OM3JW
GB75RH G0GDU PG13IOTA PD1AKL ZF2MB WO4MW
GJ2A GJ3DVC PQ5M PP5BZ ZL1SW F4BHW
GJ6YB G3SWH PR5D PY5DC ZS1REC W2ARP
GM0ADX GM0DJG PX8Z PY8WW ZV1M PY1MT
GM2T GM4UYZ R01DTV R7AA ZW8CT PS8BR
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September RV3EFH/0: Bolshevik Island (AS-042) 1139
September TU5DF: Cote d'Ivoire 1153
01/10-11/10 CY0P: Sable Island (NA-063) 1155
03/10-17/10 TO2TT: Mayotte (AF-027) 1155
09/10-13/10 E51YIV: Rarotonga (OC-013), South Cooks 1161
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13/10-17/10 E51YIV: Aitutaki (OC-083), South Cooks 1161
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October RV3EFH/0: Bolshevik Island (AS-042) 1139
October TU5DF: Cote d'Ivoire 1153
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05/11-18/11 T33A: Banaba Island (OC-018) 1153
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21482. New address for GACW website

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-09 23:37:39 UTC
From: Raúl Marcelo Díaz
Topic: 21482 Message: 21482

Hi!
We changed to:
http://www.gacwar.org
73 and DX de
Raul, LU6EF

21483. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-10 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21483

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:Issued: 2013 Aug 10 1206 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30810
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 10 Aug 2013, 1208UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 10 Aug 2013 until 12 Aug 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Quiet conditions (<50% probability of C-class flares)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 10 Aug 2013 10CM FLUX: 104 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 11 Aug 2013 10CM FLUX: 102 / AP: 014
PREDICTIONS FOR 12 Aug 2013 10CM FLUX: 100 / AP: 011
COMMENT:There are currently 4 numbered AR on the solar disk. A solitary C2.0 flare
occured on August 9th around 20:10 UT from an unnumbered AR on the East
limb. A small increased solar wind speed up to 480 km/s was detected by
ACE, probably due to a very small coronal hole which was associated with a
passing of the current sheet. Geomagnetic where quiet and are expected to
remain so for the next 24 hours. In the night of August 11th-August 12th
we expect active conditions due to the arrival of the CME of August 7th.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 046, BASED ON 11 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 09 Aug 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 067
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 104
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : ///
AK WINGST : 008
ESTIMATED AP : 009
ESTIMATED ISN : 045, BASED ON 17 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21484. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-11 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21484

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:Issued: 2013 Aug 11 1209 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30811
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 11 Aug 2013, 1208UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 11 Aug 2013 until 13 Aug 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Quiet conditions (<50% probability of C-class flares)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 11 Aug 2013 10CM FLUX: 103 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 12 Aug 2013 10CM FLUX: 105 / AP: 014
PREDICTIONS FOR 13 Aug 2013 10CM FLUX: 106 / AP: 011
COMMENT:There are currently 6 numbered AR on the solar disk. Solar activity was
mostly quiet, but counted 2 low C-class flares both from AR NOAA 1818.
Activity is expected to remain mostly quiet although an isolated C-class
flare is possible. Geomagnetic conditions where quiet to active in the last
24 hours. In the evening of August 12th active conditions are expected due
to the arrival of the CME of August 7th.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 053, BASED ON 17 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 10 Aug 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 103
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : ///
AK WINGST : 008
ESTIMATED AP : 007
ESTIMATED ISN : 047, BASED ON 17 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21485. IRC'S ARE SOLD

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-11 14:13:21 UTC
From: K1XN
Topic: 21485 Message: 21485

IRC'S are sold
Thanks to all
John K1XN

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ATTEND This Years
W4DXCC DX CONVENTION
Pigeon Forge, Tennessee
September 27-28 2013

21486. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1123

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-11 20:33:59 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 21486 Message: 21486

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The Ohio/Penn DX PacketCluster
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August 12, 2013
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 4th-August, through Sunday, 11th-August there were 222 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3B9, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5A, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5W, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8Q, 8R, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9V, 9X, 9Y, A2, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C6, C9, CE, CE0Z, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, F, FG, FH, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FS, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, H40, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J5, J6, J7, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JY, K, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OJ0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ7, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S2, S5, SM, SP, ST, SV, SV5, SV9, T5, T7, TA, TF, TG, TI, TK, TN, TR, TT, TU, TY, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V3, V4, V5, V6, V7, V8, VE, VK, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XW, YA, YB, YI, YK, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, Z8, ZA, ZB, ZD7, ZD8, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS, ZS8

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

40, MONTENEGRO. Jacek, SP5OXJ, will be active as 4O/SP5OXJ from Budva between August 13-20th. Activity will be holiday style on 40-20 meters using CW and the Digital modes. QSL via his home callsign or LoTW.

6W, SENEGAL. Just a reminder that Francis, F6BLP, will once again be active as 6W7SK from Saly Portudal, 80 kms south of Dakar on the coast, between January 3-31st, 2014. Activity will be holiday style using the same station as last time (IC-7000 into G5RV antenna) operating mainly CW on 80-10 meters. If possible, he also hopes to be active on 160m with an Inverted L. QSL via F6BLP, direct or by the Bureau. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW and eQSL. For more details, logs and pictures of his last operation, visit: http://www.f6blp.org

AFRICAN TOUR. YL Ann, W6NN, will be active from the following areas as:
* EA8/W6NN - Tenerife, Canary Islands; August 11-16th
* 9H3NN - Gozo Island, Malta; August 21-26th
All activities will be holiday style on 40-10 meters using all modes. QSL via her home callsign, direct or by the Bureau. See QRZ.com for details. Logs will be posted on ClubLog.

CE0Z, JUAN FERNANDEZ ISLAND. Operator "Mario", in his capacity as aerodrome manager on Juan Fernandez Island, has recently been active as CE0ZOL. He is not a DXer nor a contester. Mario is likely to be active when time permits during the weekends. He will be stationed on the island for 6 months. Activity has been on 40 meters SSB (on 7080 kHz around 2200z). More details will be forthcoming. QSL via QSL via CE3RAC: Radio Club Dirección General de Aeronáutica Civil, P.O. Box 15 - Aeropuerto AMB, Santiago, Chile.

CE, CHILE (ILLW Op!). Look for the following Chilean lighthouse to be in the International Lighthouse/Lightship Weekend (ILLW) event August 16-17th:
* Punta Herradura, Lighthouse - Ref No. NAC. 120; Manuel, CE2UNE, will be active on 40/20/15/10 meters, using 100 watts and a YAESU 1700 into a Delta loop and dipole antennas. Chilean hams please QSL by sending a SASE, and foreign stations with 2 IRCs to the following address: Manuel Mejias Gallardo, Ana Moral Cuesta Nº1710, Ovalle, CHILE.

* Coquimbo Lighthouse, - Ref. No. NAC.115; Hector, CE3FZL, will be active on 40/20/15/10 meters, using an ICOM IC-718 with 100 watts into a Delta loop and dipole antennas. Chilean hams please QSL by sending a SASE, and foreign stations with 2 IRCs to the following address: Hector Frias, P.O. Box 9570 cc, Santiago, Chile.

* Curaumilla Lighthouse - ILLW Ref. No. CL0017; Freddy, CE3NLU, will be active on 40/20/15/10 meters SSB, using a Kenwood TS-140, Kenwood TS440 into a Hy-Gain 14-AVQ. QSL via CE3AA, direct or by the Bureau. More information is available on QRZ.com.

CS, PORTUGAL. Members of the Association of Radioamadores of the Village of Moscavide (ARVM) will once again be active as CS2HNI from the Farol do Forte do Cavalo lighthouse (ILLW PT-0012, DFP FES-12, ARLHS POR-021) at Forte do Cavalo - Sesimbra (DCFP F-038, DMHP ST-028, WCA CT-00214) during the International Lighthouse/Lightship Weekend (August 17-18th). Activity will be on 40/20/15/10 meters SSB. QSL via CT1RVM, by the Bureau is preferred. PLEASE NOTE: This special event station is in memory of their good friend Arthur Gil, CT2HNI.

DXCC RULES TO BE REVIEWED! From the "Minutes of 2013 Second Meeting -
ARRL Board of Directors - dated July 19-20th, 2013" Item 35:
<http://www.arrl.org/files/file/About%20ARRL/Board%20Meetings/2013%20Second%20Meeting%20Minutes.pdf>
"On motion of Mr. Fenstermaker, seconded by Mr. Vallio, the following
resolution was ADOPTED:
WHEREAS: The ARRL's DXCC program is very successful and is recognized
as the premier DX award available to Radio Amateurs. It has been at least
10 years since the DXCC rules were comprehensively reviewed by the DX
Advisory Committee (DXAC) and/or another committee and ratified by the
ARRL Board of Directors. These changes to DXCC have been very successful
and resolved many previous problems and inconsistencies in the DXCC rules
and program; and,
WHEREAS during this time, changing international conditions and situations now warrant review of these rules to insure the DXCC rules acknowledge such changes and events.
NOW BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the ARRL Board of Directors tasks the
Program and Services Committee to request the DX Advisory Committee (DXAC)
study and, if warranted, recommend changes to the DXCC Rules for the ARRL
Board of Directors to discuss.
A status report shall be forwarded to the Programs and Services Committee
prior to the January 2014 Board Meeting with a final report and recommendations forwarded to the Programs and Services Committee prior to the July
2014 Board Meeting."

DXCC NEWS. Bill Moore, NC1L, ARRL Awards Branch Manager, reports that
the following operations are approved for DXCC credit:
T5TC ☐ Somalia; 2013 Operation
XW2CW ☐ Laos; 2012 Operation

NOTE: If you've had these rejected in a prior application, send a note
to <bmoore@...g> to be placed on the list for an update to your record.
Also, please note the submission date and/or reference number where the
rejection was noted to expedite the search for any rejected QSOs.

FP, ST. PIERRE AND MIQUELON ISLANDS. Operators Peter/DJ4TC and Hermann/
DL2NUD will be active as FP/homecall from a motel on Miquelon Islands
(NA-032) between September 10-21st. Activity will only be on 2 meters,
70 and 23 centimeters using JT65B and JT65C. Their WW Loc. is (GN17tc).
QSL via their home callsigns, direct or by the Bureau.

FT5ZM AMSTERDAM ISLAND DXPEDITION UPDATE (From The FT5ZM Web Page).
Ralph, K0IR, updated the Web page this past week with details (as well
as pictures) of the landing and operating sites for the FT5ZM DXpedition
on Amsterdam Island. He states, "We have been assigned two operating sites
on the north end of the island. One site, a shelter called Mataf, is
located just northeast of the base. It is over 400 feet from the sea and
the beach area has small cliffs, is rugged and rocky, and is exposed to
the high sea. Having antennas at the water's edge is not really an option.
The slope downward and to the north favors propagation to most major
population areas. We will use verticals for the low bands and 3-element
Yagis for the high bands." Check out the complete press release (with

pictures) at: http://www.amsterdamdx.org/ft5zm-operating-sites

H4, NICARAGUA (Update to OPDX.1116). Members from the Spanish Aitana DX Group (ADXG) will be active as H7H from Octavio, YN2N, radio shack in Nicaragua between October 1-16th. Operators mentioned are Javi/EA5KM (CW), Fer/EA5FX (CW), Eugen/EA5HPX (CW), Fran/EA7FTR (SSB/RTTY), Jose/EA1ACP (SSB/RTTY) and Carlos/EA1DVY (SSB/RTTY). Pilot station named is Ismael/ EA1AZ. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via EB7DX, direct or by the Bureau. An OQRS will be available for direct and Bureau QSLs. All QSOs will be confirmed via LoTW. For more details and updates, visit: http://nicaragua2013.com

HL, SOUTH KOREA. Dom, SQ9KWW, will be active as HL3/SQ9KWW between August 12th and September 2nd. Activity will be on the HF bands using wire antennas and 100 watts. QSL via his home callsign, direct or eQSL.

HV, VATICAN. As of August 9th, HV0A has been active and is expected to be active "for some day" per Sergio, IK0FTA. Activity will be active on the HF bands, mostly on CW and during the peak of Perseids meteor shower on the VHF bands. QSL direct to IK0FVC or LoTW.

ILLW 2013. Just a reminder that next weekend is the "International Lighthouse Lightship Weekend" [ILLW] (August 17-18th). It was announced this past week that the ILLW has broken a record for registrations. There are over 460 registered as this was being written. Complete details on the ILLW event, update and registered stations can be found at the following URL links: http://illw.net/
http://illw.net/index.php/entrants-list-2013
http://w8tts.com/ILLW/ILLW-Lights.html
https://www.facebook.com/ILLWeekend

IOTA NEWS.............
AF-019. Landi, IW5ELA, will be active as IG9/IW5ELA from Lampedusa Island between September 8-13th. Activity will be on the HF bands, mainly CW and using FT-857 with 100 watts into a multiband vertical. QSL via his home callsign, by the Bureau and direct.

AS-014. Members of the Royal Omani Amateur Radio Society (ROARS) will be active as A43MI from Masirah Island between September 20-24th. Activity will be on CW, SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via A47RS, direct or by the Bureau. Visit the ROARS's Web page at: http://www.a47rs.org/welcome_en.html

EU-016. Leo, S50R, is now active as 9A/S50R from Solta Island (ACIA IC-656, CIA-51, IOCA CI-126, MIA MC-389, WLOTA 2833) until August 17th. Activity will be holiday style on the HF bands. QSL via his home callsign, direct, by the Bureau or LoTW. Visit his Web site at: http://s50r.s50e.si

EU-016. Bela, HA8BE, is now active as 9A/HA8BE from Brac Island (CI-010, WW loc JN83GJ) until August 17th. Activity will be

on the HF bands mostly on CW, but some SSB too. He will try to be active on or near the IOTA frequencies. QSL via his home callsign, by the HA Bureau or direct.

EU-028. Paolo, IZ5NFD, will once again be active as IA5/IZ5NFD from St. Andrea in the north western part of Elba Island (IIA LI-001, MIA MI-022, WLOTA 0609, Grid Loc. JN52) between August 12-21st. Activity will be holiday style on 40-2 meters on CW during his early mornings (0500z) and his evenings (2100z). QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

EU-029. Bernd, DL2SBE, is now active as OZ/DL2SBE from Lolland Island (DIA SJ-015, WLOTA 2773) until August 24th. Activity will be on the HF bands, using SSB, PSK, RTTY and SSTV. Equipment is an Icom IC-706MKIIG, Expert 1K, Hexbeam (20-6m), W3DZZ for 80-40m or a vertical with 18m Spiderbeam Pole. Bernd also plans to be active as OZ/DL2SBE/m. QSL via his home callsign, by the Bureau or direct. More details on QRZ.com.

EU-057. Marc, PE1FJN, will be active as as DL/PE1FJN/p from Ruegen Island (DID O-007, WLOTA 1712) between August 18-31st. Activity will be limited to his spare time (family holiday), but he will be using an Elecraft K1 with 2.5 watts into a Buddipole GP. Operations will be focused on 30m CW. QSL via PE1FJN, direct or by the Bureau.

EU-172. Operators Heinz/DC5WW, Robert/DK2RO, Anton/DL8AW, Norbert/ DL9NAC and Thilo/DL9NBJ will be active as 5Q7Y from Langeland Island September 14-21st. QSL via Anton, DL8AW, by the Bureau, direct and LoTW. You can also use the Clublog OQRS Service (fee: 1 EURO). Anton, states, "If you want to send direct cards, please include an SASE (only with German stamps) or SAE plus sufficient return postage. I don't want to earn money by sending cards directly, I just want to cover my expenses. In Germany sending international letters (no matter to which country) costs 0.75 EUR (about 1 USD). You also can use a valid IRC." Log will be uploaded as often as possible.

OC-109/ (Update) Operators John/YB5NOF, Anton/YB5QZ, Joni/YB9WZJ and OC-122. YE5WM will activate Tambelan (OC-122) as YE5T between August 28th and September 1st. Natuna Selatan (OC-109) activity will be afterwards between September 4-9th. All activations are weather dependent. QSL via W2FB.

OC-065. By the time you read this, Ralph, H44RK, is expected to arrive on Swallow Islands. Once Ralph finishes his projects on the island, look for his to be active as H40IOTA on 20 and 15 meters. Per DX-World.net, suggested times are 0700-0900z on 14260 kHz and after that on 21260 kHz.

OC-261. (Reminder!) Craig, VK5CE, will be active as VK5CE/p from Flinders Island between August 15-21st. Activity will be on

80-10 meters, with most of the operations being on 40/20/15m,
using SSB and PSK. QSL via his home callsign. For more details
and updates, watch Craig's Blog page at:
http://oc261.blogspot.co.uk

SA-054. (Update) Members of the Grupo DX Caracas will be active as
YW5X from Orchila Island (ARLHS VEN-022, WLOTA 3044) between
August 20-26th. The YW5X will be active to commemorate the
Navy's Dìa Venezuela 2013 during the month of August. The
dates will depend on Navy transport. QSL via DM4TI only.
Look for updates on QRZ.com.

JD1, OGASAWARA. Toshi, JP1IOF, will once again be active as JD1BLC from
Chichijima Island (AS-031, WLOTA 2269, JCG #10007) in the Ogasawara group
between Novenmber 7-15th. Activity will be on all HF bands and modes. QSL
via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau. Log will be uploaded to
LoTW and ClubLog. An OQRS will be available via ClubLog.

JW, SVALBARD. Operators Sig/DL2JIM, Rene/DL2JRM and Dan/DL5SE will be
active as JW5E from the club station in Longyearbyen, Spitsbergen Island
(EU-026, WLOTA 0125), between September 13-16th. Activity will be on all
HF bands and modes. They will also be an entry in the Worked All Europe
(WAE) DX SSB Contest (September 14-15th). QSL only direct to:
Svalbardgruppen Av NRRL Clubstation, PO Box 498, N 9171 Longyearbyen,
Norway. ADDED NOTE: Netti/DO6XX will join Rene/DL2JRM to be active as
JW/homecall from the JW5E club station between September 20-23rd. Rene
will be active as JW/DL2JRM and will focus on the Scandinavian Activity
CW Contest (SAC) (September 21-22nd). Netti will be active as JW/DO6XX
and will be on all HF bands using SSB and RTTY. QSL via home their
callsigns, direct or by the Bureau. For more details about JW5E station,
visit: http://jw5e.com

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (August 12-18th)....
Aug/12th AN Aug/15th AN Aug/17th AN
Aug/13th AN Aug/16th AN Aug/18th AN
Aug/14th AN

SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS/INDEXES AND GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE
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NORMALITY	GEOMAG K Values	Alpha
AN - Above Normal	Quiet K=0-1	0-7
HN - High Normal	Unsettled K=2	8-15
LN - Low Normal	Active K=3	16-29
BN - Below Normal	Minor Storm K=4	30-49
DIS - Disturbed	Major Storm K=5	50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed	Severe Storm K=6-9	100-400

ON, BELGIUM (LH Op!). Francois, ON4LO, will be active as ON4LO/LH from
the Antwerp Marina Harbour lighthouse (ARLHS BEL-042) between August
17-18th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters. He will be using an IC746
with an ACOM1000 into a vertical and dipole antennas. QSL via his home

callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

OX, GREENLAND (Reminder). An international group of YLs will once again activate amateur radio from Kangerlussuaq (NA-018, WLOTA 0072, WWFF OZFF-006, WW Loc. GP47PA) between August 16-20th. Their callsign will be OX5YL. Operators mentioned are Unni/LA6RHA, Mio/JR3MVF, Chae/HL1KDW, Kay/WA0WOF and Solveig/SM6KAT. Activity will be on all HF bands and modes QSL via PY5YL, direct or by the Bureau. The last YL expedition was in 2010 and was very successful. For more information, visit their Web site at: http://home.online.no/~la6rha/greenland2013.htm

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (For August 11th)

3B8/HB9ARY via 3B8/HB9ARY EG3RD via EA3GYT OM150MS via OM3KHT
4K20RO via 4J6RO (d) EI2HMB via DG5SDQ OS0C via ON7KC
5Q4B via OZ5EV (d) ES9YOTA via ES1CW OU2W via OZ1ETA
8J1A/1 via (JA-B) EW/DL7VFM via DL7VFM R01DTV/6 via R7AA
9A/DK9FEC/P via DK9FEC F/DK1AF via DK1AF R7AA via R7AA
9A/E77AW via E77E F/DL4KCA via DL4KCA SP2B via (SP-B)
9A/HA3HP via HA3HP G/K1HP via JE2EHP TF4M via G3SWH
9A/IZ2ESV via IZ2ESV GX4KPT via M0DOL TM2NOI via F4FVI
CP6/DF9GR via DF9GR GX8HRC/A via G3SVK UA8WAA/4 via UA8WAA
D44TS via DL3GCS H40IOTA via NR6M UN9LBB via W3HNK
D80HQ via HL1OYF HA/PA3FYX/P via PA3FYX UP0L via DL8KAC
DL/OE9SCH/P via OE9SCH HF13C via SQ1DWR V31PA via DL1CW
E20HHK via E21EIC HF13Z via SP1FFC V5/UT5UY via UT5UY
EA5/F5TDK via F5TDK IT9/OZ8BV via HB9DUY XR3Y via XQ7UP
EA8/KD4D via KD4D LZ2013IPA via LZ3HI YQ0BIKE via YO6KNE
EG2MES via EG2MCK (d) OH0/DM2ECM via DM2ECM YQ6A via YO6BHN
(e) eQSL only (d) direct only (B) Bureau only (L) LoTW only

CONGRATULATIONS TO W3HNK. Joe Arcure, W3HNK, has hit a milestone. It's has been 50 years this month since this world-famous/known QSL Manager began serving as manager for many DX stations (+400). We bet that many DXers throughout the world have received a QSL from Joe. Read an article written about Joe that was posted this week by the ARRL at: http://www.arrl.org/news/veteran-dx-qsl-manager-w3hnk-marks-50-years-of-service

QSL ROUTES FOR II8LH. The Calabria DX Team activated the Paola Light-house (WW Loc. JM89AI, reference ARLHS ITA-111 and CL-002 WAIL) and the the Capo Spartivento Lighthouse (WAIL CL-009, ARLHS ITA-043, WW Loc. JM77UW) this past weekend. QSL via Bureau: HB9FHZ (USKA bureau). QSL via direct to IK8YFU. Also, e-QSL authenticity guaranteed and LoTW. For more info, see: http://www.calabriadxteam.it

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 9V1YC, CO7WT, CR5CW, EI3JB, EJ0PL, FG4NO, G0JKZ, KP2HC, OX3KQ, RJ5DX, V63XG and YF1AR/3

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 7P8D, 8Q7KP, 9M2/OK1CZ, 9L5MS, D44TWO, D85C, RI1ANU, TM6M and TX5K

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 4B1AC, 4K6/JR0HYT, 4K9W, 4S7KKG, 5V7SI, 7J1AYJ, 7K3BKZ, 8J1RL, 9G5S, 9M1JKL, 9M2TO, 9M6/OH2YY, 5R8VB, 5R8X, 5X1VB, 5Z4/UA4WHX, 7Q7VB, 9J2VB, 9M4SLL, 9M6DXX, 9X0VB, A25NW, AH0BT, BA2IA, BA4WR, BD3DBU, BD3MV, BD3OM, BD5PN, BD6IF, BD7JUI, BD8NBG, BD9AC, C21UF, C4SV, CR2X, CT3/DF8AA, CT8/DL1CW, CT9/DL3KWF, CU1ARM, CU2ARA, CU2CE, CU3URA, CU5AM, CU6GRP, CU7CRA, CU9AC, CY9M, D3AA, D60VB, DA0I, DJ2AX, DL4FN, DR1A, DV7HTK, EA6/DL6CT, EA8/DF8AA, EN2012UEFA, FM/K9NW, HB100FLP, HB60LU, HS0ZIN, IK7RVY, IS0R, J20VB, J8/JA7SGV, KH2/JS6RRR, KH0WW, LZ1437MGS, LZ1737SSS, LZ67VZ, LZ907SKB, LZ916SSLZ1515PSB, MU/F4ERS, MU/F5CWU, N1BJ/KH2, OH0V, OH2BH, OP4K, P40X, S21YZ, S79NU, SV8/LZ1QN, SWL-YL-RS-01, TI5N, TK/DL4FF, TN2T, TO3X, TU2/F5PTM, TU2T, V5/DK9IP, V51VV, VE3RZ, VE3XL, VE7IMD, VK4TT, VK9LA, VP8ORK, W1AW/90, W3STX/KH0, XV2DLH, XV3AA, YL2PN and YM94KK

T4, CUBA (ILLW Op!). Members of Federación de Radioaficionados de Cuba (FRC) and the Cuba DX Group (GDXC), will activate several stations for the next International Lighthouse Lightship Weekend (ILLW). Look for the following stations:
Roncali Lighthouse - Callsign T40C; Ref. No. ILLW CU0002; QTH Cabo San Antonio; activity on HF/6m using SSB/CW/DIG; WW
Loc. EL71; QSL via EA7FTR.
Morro Castle Lighthouse La Habana - Callsign T49C; Ref. No ILLW CU0003; activity HF on SSB/CW; WW Loc. EL83; QSL via K8SIX
Maya Lighthouse - Callsign CO9EAA; Ref. No. ILLW CU0005; activity HF on SSB; WW Loc. EL93; QSL via the Bureau
Morro Castle Santiago de Cuba Lighthouse - Callsign T48SC; Ref. No. ILLW CU0004; activity HF on SSB/CW; WW Loc. FK19; QSL
via Bureau.
Punta Maisí Lighthouse - Callsign T48FM; Ref. No. ILLW CU0001; activity HF on SSB/CW; WW Loc. FL20; QSL via Bureau

TX5, AUSTRAL ISLANDS. Operators Grant/KZ1W and Rob/N7QT will be operating from Raivavae Island (OC-114) on an Elecraft/SteppIR/WWDXC sponsored DX-pedition between October 2-14th. They will be using the new CrankIR portable antenna system from SteppIR, as well as Elecraft K3 transceivers and KPA500 amplifiers. The TX5? callsign is still pending, and this announcement will be updated when it is issued. Their operational base will be two bungalows located on the north side of Raivavae Island, and less than 20 feet from the Pacific Ocean. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK. Log will be updated daily to Clublog <www.clublog.org> with QSOs data/history; internet bandwidth permitting. QSL available via LoTW, eQSL, by the Bureau, or direct (SASE + IRC).

V4, ST. KITTS. John, W5JON/V47JA, informs OPDX that he will be active once again from his vacation home in Calypso Bay, St. Kitts (NA-104, WW Loc. FK87SG) between October 10th and November 10th. Activity will be on SSB and the RTTY/Digital modes. He will also use his contest callsign V49J during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. Equipment is a Kenwood TS-590S and Elecraft KPA500 Amplifier. Antennas include: a 80-10m Multi-band Dipole, and metal roof mounted S9, 18' and 31' Verticals and 3 element Yagi for 6m. Also, XYL Cathy, W5HAM, will occasionally operate as V47HAM. ALL QSLs go to W5JON direct

or via LoTW. NO Bureau QSLs.

ZL, NEW ZEALAND. Atsu, 5W1SA, will be active as ZL1EA with QRP rig between September 7-10th. He states that there is a good chance for him to be active from Rotorua, the lakeside of the island on September 8th. QSL via LoTW.

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** IMPORTANT NOTICE/REMINDER ** The Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin now has a new FAX number. Contributors can now send/fax their DX information to the following number: 1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)
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SPECIAL NOTE BY EDITOR: If you are having a problem receiving bounced mail by sending mail to me via " kb8nw@... ", please send mail to me via " kb8nw@... "...... TNX de Tedd KB8NW
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PLEASE NOTICE (as of February 12th), NEW ADDRESS CHANGES FOR THE OPDX INTERNET HELP/SUBSCRIBE/UNSUBSCRIBE REQUESTS:
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Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@...?subject=unsubscribe>
OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):
http://www.papays.com/opdx.html
ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB PAGES AT:
http://www.nodxa.org
http://www.facebook.com/NorthernOhioDxAssociation

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DX Chairman for the "Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society
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Sysop of the "Basic Amateur Radio Frequency BBS" (BARF80.ORG)

21487. Re: [DX-IS] New address for GACW website

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-12 01:20:56 UTC
From: Ted Melinosky
Topic: 21482 Message: 21487

Hello Raul:

I have made the change as you asked.
But when I look at the website, I do not see links for the awards. Did I miss them? What are they called?

Best wishes,

Ted K1BV
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On 8/9/2013 7:37 PM, Ra?l Marcelo D?az wrote:
> Hi!
> We changed to:
> http://www.gacwar.org
> 73 and DX de
> Raul, LU6EF
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21488. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-12 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21488

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:Issued: 2013 Aug 12 1221 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30812
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 12 Aug 2013, 1208UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 12 Aug 2013 until 14 Aug 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Active (M-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 12 Aug 2013 10CM FLUX: 114 / AP: 008
PREDICTIONS FOR 13 Aug 2013 10CM FLUX: 118 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 14 Aug 2013 10CM FLUX: 120 / AP: 007
COMMENT:NOAA AR 1817 is expected to be the main player in the coming 48 hours with
risks of M class flares. It evolved rather quickly in the past 24 hours,
and it is now a complex and elongated sunspot group. The central part shows
a wide penumbra making the link between two opposite polarity sunspots.
Strong C flares occurred in this region on August 11 (C6.7 at 2131UT and
C8.4 at 2158 UT peak time). A M1.5 flare occurred in this region on August
12, 1041 UT peak time. Indirect signatures of CMEs were observed, on disk,
with EUV imagers, but data gaps in coronagraphic data during these flares,
do not allow to confirm this. We expect active flaring conditions in the
next 48 hours. C flares are possible for NOAA AR 1818. We foresee mostly
quiet conditions in terms of geomagnetic activity for the next 48 hours.
Current interplanetary conditions, as measured by ACE are quiet.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 057, BASED ON 13 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 11 Aug 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 110
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : ///
AK WINGST : 006
ESTIMATED AP : 006
ESTIMATED ISN : 054, BASED ON 20 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
12 1021 1041 1047 ////// M1.5 ///1817
END
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21489. Beta test of spot quality filtering for RBN spots

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-12 21:34:20 UTC
From: Pete Smith N4ZR
Topic: 21489 Message: 21489

It's been a busy and rewarding couple of weeks. Sometimes, I'm quite overwhelmed by the willingness of hams to invest large amounts of time and intelligence in advancing our hobby, not for any personal gain but simply because they care and enjoy what they are doing.

This is one such case. The AR Cluster V6 Telnet server at the RBN has just been replaced with a beta version that provides quality scores for each RBN spot, as well as filters enabling users to apply those scores to limiting the spots they receive. Note that if you don't set any of the new filters, the node will continue to function as it always has, except for the addition of a validity code as part of the comment on each RBN spot. All existing filters will continue to work as before.The full story is at
<http://www.ab5k.net/ArcDocsVer6/UserManual/ArcDx_CT1BOH.htm>
<http://www.ab5k.net/ArcDocsVer6/UserManual/ArcDx_CT1BOH.htm>.

Special thanks to CT1BOH, who did extensive analysis of RBN data and developed the innovative algorithms being used, and to AB5K, for the hard work of coding and testing the filters for incorporation in this new version of his cluster software.

While users will see the new tags in spots coming from the RBN ARC6 Telnet server, in order to use the filters the node they are connected to must be running the beta server software as well.Users can test with the RBN node at arcluster.reversebeacon.net, port 7000.Node sysops who want to try the beta are encouraged to contact AB5K.

These are the validity codes:

? - Not yet verified. The first and/or second identical spot of the same station, including erroneous spots of callers
V - Valid, meaning that at least three identical spots (call and frequency) have been posted by Skimmers worldwide
Q - QSY?, meaning that it is the first and/or second spot of a station on a new frequency, where spots of that station were previously verified. Sometimes, this will be a legitimate QSY, but the tag may also indicate an I/Q image of a good spot.
B - Bust, based on whether a new spot is enough like ones already seen and tagged Valid, except for a difference in the callsign.This is based on a really clever applied math concept called the Levenshtein distance. Google for more info.
. - Unique, meaning that there are only one or two stations currently spotting stations in a given country. Will often change to V if more stations spot it, but in the meantime you won't miss that P5 because only one RBN station heard it.

You can filter so that you get only Valid spots, or so that you can block all busted spots, or so that you get no Q spots until they are verified (so I/Q images will not come through). You can even tell the cluster node to let through spots with a "." tag, so you don't miss the really rare one who is only spotted by one or two stations. Full info and examples at the URL above.

I do not assume that this is the last word on improving RBN spot quality. Beta means beta. Please experiment, see what you think, and let me know. One particularly fruitful line of inquiry would be to compare the arrival time of unfiltered spots and spots that have been judged Valid, to note instances when an apparently legitimate spot doesn't get through or is judged to be a bust, or when a bust is not caught.

In this connection, in testing we have noticed that sometimes a Busted call will be mistakenly judged Valid, because there are more busts than good spots in a time window. Often, this seems to be due to spacing errors (RN4ZR for N4ZR), frequent omission of portable designators by ops (N4ZR instead of P5/N4ZR), and PTT cutting off the first dit (E4ZR for N4ZR)

Please send your comments/reports to me, and I'll see to their onward distribution. Do not send them to this reflector!

73, Pete N4ZR
Check out the Reverse Beacon Network at
http://reversebeacon.net,
blog at reversebeacon.blogspot.com.
For spots, please go to your favorite
ARC V6 or VE7CC DX cluster node.

21490. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-13 14:01:03 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21490

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:Issued: 2013 Aug 13 1225 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30813
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 13 Aug 2013, 1208UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 13 Aug 2013 until 15 Aug 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Active conditions expected (A>=20 or K=4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 13 Aug 2013 10CM FLUX: 120 / AP: 011
PREDICTIONS FOR 14 Aug 2013 10CM FLUX: 124 / AP: 017
PREDICTIONS FOR 15 Aug 2013 10CM FLUX: 128 / AP: 018
COMMENT: Solar activity is expected to be eruptive with C class flares likely from
NOAA ARs 1817 and 1818. There remains a small risk for an isolated M class
flare to occur in one of these two regions. A CME was associated with the
M1.5 flare of Aug. 13, but coronagraphic data suggest that the bulk of the
CME is essentially going southward, and that it will miss the Earth. We
expect mostly quiet geomagnetic conditions for the next 24 hours, and then
unsettled to active conditions by the end of Aug. 14, due to a coronal hole
becoming geoeffective.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 077, BASED ON 13 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 12 Aug 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 114
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 010
AK WINGST : 006
ESTIMATED AP : 006
ESTIMATED ISN : 060, BASED ON 17 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21491. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-14 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21491

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:Issued: 2013 Aug 14 1213 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
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SIDC URSIGRAM 30814
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 14 Aug 2013, 1208UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 14 Aug 2013 until 16 Aug 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 14 Aug 2013 10CM FLUX: 131 / AP: 017
PREDICTIONS FOR 15 Aug 2013 10CM FLUX: 135 / AP: 012
PREDICTIONS FOR 16 Aug 2013 10CM FLUX: 138 / AP: 007
COMMENT: We expect solar activity to stay at eruptive levels with risks of C class
flares essentially from NOAA ARs 1817 and 1818. A small eruption occurred
to the west of AR 1817 on Aug. 13, around 1230 UT. It was associated with a
CME which appeared to be non geoeffective. Geomagnetic activity is expected
to be mostly unsettled for the next 24 hours, as the Earth entered a fast
wind stream linked to a coronal hole in geoeffective position. Current
observations by the ACE spacecraft show a solar wind speed around 450 km/s
and Bz fluctuations diminishing compared to the last 20 hours.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 074, BASED ON 15 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 13 Aug 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 122
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 020
AK WINGST : 014
ESTIMATED AP : 013
ESTIMATED ISN : 077, BASED ON 16 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21492. Rohn 45G Saddle Clamps

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-14 14:35:25 UTC
From: GARY HUBER
Topic: 21492 Message: 21492

I will soon take down my 30 year standing Rohn 45G tower and replace it with new Rohn 45G tower. One item now NO longer available from Rohn are saddle clamps which are used with the house bracket and other items which utilize a U-bolt with one and one-half inch leg spacing. The saddle clamps fit around (almost half way) the one and one-quarter inch O.D. tower leg with a pair being used with each U-bolt.

I have NOT been able to find a replacement or a source for Rohn 45G saddle clamps. I need at least four pieces. If you have a source, please email me direct; AB9M at ARRL dot NET.

Best regards,

CSM(r) Gary L Huber – AB9M
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21493. Re: [DX-IS] Rohn 45G Saddle Clamps

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-14 15:32:50 UTC
From: Jim
Topic: 21492 Message: 21493

Hi Gary

Try DX Engineering www.dxengineering.com

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Jim Sherwood, N4UOZ

On 8/14/2013 9:35 AM, GARY HUBER wrote:
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21494. Re: [DX-IS] Rohn 45G Saddle Clamps

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-14 15:50:50 UTC
From: GARY HUBER
Topic: 21492 Message: 21494

Thanks Jim, but not what I need. What I'm trying to replace fits between the bottom of the U of the U-bolt and the tower leg and a second one reversed would form an O around the tower leg.

73 ES DX,
Gary -- AB9M

From: Jim
Sent: Wednesday, August 14, 2013 10:32 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Rohn 45G Saddle Clamps

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21495. Re: [DX-IS] Rohn 45G Saddle Clamps

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-14 17:05:13 UTC
From: iain macdonnell - N6ML
Topic: 21492 Message: 21495

I wonder if these would work?

http://www.cycle-24.com/u-bolt-saddle-clamps/u-bolt-saddle-clamps-for-1-25-inch-tubing/

If I understand you correctly, you want the saddle, without the
U-bolt? Maybe if you contact them, they can sell you some of the
saddles only.

73,

~iain / N6ML

On Wed, Aug 14, 2013 at 8:50 AM, GARY HUBER <glhuber@...> wrote:
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> Thanks Jim, but not what I need. What I'm trying to replace fits between
> the bottom of the U of the U-bolt and the tower leg and a second one
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21496. RE; Rohn 45G Saddle Clamps

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-15 00:06:03 UTC
From: GARY HUBER
Topic: 21496 Message: 21496

Thanks to all for responding, but no I have not seen anything at DXenginering which comes close to meeting the requirement to fit in the bottom of the U of the U-bolt with a reversed piece over the legs of the U-bolt forming an O around the tower leg. The leg is one and a quarter inch O.D. the legs of the U-bolt has a one and a half inch separation, so the saddle clamps are a little less than one-eighth thick and two of them act as a shim and pad to spread the clamping force rather than the U-bolt radial circumference against the contact point of the leg.

I may have to reverse engineer a pair of http://www.dxengineering.com/parts/dxe-sad-125a on each leg with a squared bottom U-bolt, or something similar. Rohn just uses a one and a quarter inch space between legs U-bolt now for the 25G and 45G current house bracket, so I may have to get my head wrapped around the idea that just a U-bolt is good enough.

Best regards,

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21497. Re: [DX-IS] RE; Rohn 45G Saddle Clamps

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-15 01:15:42 UTC
From: Dick Flanagan
Topic: 21496 Message: 21497

How about posting a photo of exactly what you are looking for. You know, a thousand words and all that stuff. :)

Dick

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Dick Flanagan K7VC
dick@...

On 8/14/2013 5:06 PM, GARY HUBER wrote:
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> DXenginering which comes close to meeting the requirement to fit in
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> point of the leg.
> I may have to reverse engineer a pair of
> http://www.dxengineering.com/parts/dxe-sad-125a on each leg with a
> squared bottom U-bolt, or something similar. Rohn just uses a one and
> a quarter inch space between legs U-bolt now for the 25G and 45G
> current house bracket, so I may have to get my head wrapped around the
> idea that just a U-bolt is good enough.
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> Best regards,
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21498. RE: Rohn 45G Tower Saddles

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-15 13:37:16 UTC
From: GARY HUBER
Topic: 21498 Message: 21498

I have located a source of New Old Stock (NOS) Rohn Hardware including the tower saddles I need . As I do NOT have authorization to reveal details, I will not, until I have permission, then only to those who contact me off-list unless the source says otherwise.

Thank you to all who have responded via the reflectors or direct..... I should have done this months ago.

Best regards,

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21499. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-15 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21499

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:Issued: 2013 Aug 15 1220 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30815
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 15 Aug 2013, 1208UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 15 Aug 2013 until 17 Aug 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 15 Aug 2013 10CM FLUX: 127 / AP: 015
PREDICTIONS FOR 16 Aug 2013 10CM FLUX: 127 / AP: 013
PREDICTIONS FOR 17 Aug 2013 10CM FLUX: 125 / AP: 007
COMMENT: There is a small risk for C class flares from NOAA ARs 1817, 1818 and 1819,
keeping the solar activity level to eruptive. A southern polar crown
filament erupted on August 14, around 1900UT. It was associated with a CME,
which appears not to be geoeffective. Geomagnetic activity is expected to
remain at unsettled levels for the next 24 hours, and then to return to
quiet conditions on Aug. 17. Current ACE observations show that the Earth
is still within a fast solar wind stream linked to the northern coronal
hole on the Sun.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 084, BASED ON 11 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 14 Aug 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 125
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 021
AK WINGST : 014
ESTIMATED AP : 013
ESTIMATED ISN : 076, BASED ON 20 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21500. ARLD033 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-15 22:30:45 UTC
From: jjreisert@...
Topic: 5651 Message: 21500

SB DX @ ARL $ARLD033
ARLD033 DX news

ZCZC AE33
QST de W1AW
DX Bulletin 33 ARLD033
>From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT August 15, 2013
To all radio amateurs

SB DX ARL ARLD033
ARLD033 DX news

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by IZ1JLF, NC1L, PS7DX, the OPDX Bulletin, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, DXNL, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

SRI LANKA, 4S. Members of the Radio Society of Sri Lanka plan to be QRV as 4S7LGT from the Dondra Head Lighthouse, ILLW LK-0001, during the ILLW. Activity will be on 40 to 15 meters. QSL via 4S7LGT.

WEST MALAYSIA, 9M2. Operators 9M2YOT, 9M2AUR, 9M2ESM, 9M2ARR, 9M2TRX, 9M2UST, 9W2GSG, 9W2EJT, 9W2JUM, and 9W2FNN will be QRV from the Pulau Undan Lighthouse, ILLW MY-0017, on Undan Island, IOTA AS-097, for the ILLW. Activity will be on 40 to 10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL direct via 9M2YOT.

CHILE, CE. Look for a group of operators to be QRV as T40C in the ILLW from the Roncali Lighthouse, ILLW CU-0002. Activity will be on the HF bands and 6 meters using CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL via EA7FTR.

PORTUGAL, CT. Members of the ARVM will be QRV as CS2HNI from the Farol do Forte do Cavalo Lighthouse, ILLW PT-0012, during the ILLW. Activity will be on 40, 20, 15 and 10 meters using SSB. QSL via CT1RVM.

CANARY ISLANDS, EA8. Members of the Grupo DX Gran Canaria and URE Las Palmas will be QRV as AO8LH from the Punta de la Aldea Lighthouse, ARLHS CAI-032, during the ILLW. Activity will be on the HF bands using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via EA8AKN.

WALES, GW. Peter, G8CQH and Matt, G4WMH will be QRV as GC0OBS during the ILLW. QSL via G4WMH.

REPUBLIC OF KOREA, HL. Members of the Gwangju DX Club are QRV as D7G from Jindo Island, IOTA AS-060, until August 18. Activity is on 80 to 10 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK. QSL via 6L0NJ.

ITALY, I. Members of the La Spezia ARI Team will be QRV as IP1T from Tino Island, IOTA EU-083, during the ILLW. Activity will be on the HF bands including 6, 4 and 2 meters. QSL via IZ5JLF.

BELGIUM, ON. Francois, ON4LO plans to be QRV as ON4LH/LH from the Antwerpen Harbor Lighthouse, ARLHS BEL-042, during the ILLW. Activity is on 80 to 10 meters. QSL to home call.

GREENLAND, OX. Operators Unni, LA6RHA, Mio, JR3MVF, Chae, HL1KDW, Kay, WA0WOF and Solveig, SM6KAT are QRV as OX5YL from the club station in Kangerlussuaq, IOTA NA-018, during the Greenland YL Expedition 2013. QSL via PA5YL.

NETHERLANDS, PA. Special event station PA6SAIL will be QRV from August 19 to September 10 during the maritime event Sail de Ruyter in Vlissingen. Activity will be on the HF bands, including 6 and 2 meters, using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK. QSL via PA3GEO. In addition, look for station PA6WOSHELL to be QRV from Shell Tower during the ILLW. QSL via PA1WO.

BRAZIL, PY. Look for ZX7T to be QRV in the Verde Amarelo contest. QSL via PS7HD.

POLAND, SP. Operators SP2BIK, SP2BRN, SP2IZC and SP2TQW will be QRV as SN2NP from the Nowy Port Lighthouse in Gdansk during the ILLW. QSL via SP2BIK.

DODECANESE, SV5. Alex, UR5FAV is QRV as SV5/EM5F until August 24. Activity is on the HF bands. QSL to home call.

AUSTRALIA, VK. A group of amateurs are QRV as VK5CWL until August 20. Activity is on 160 to 6 meters using CW, SSB and PSK. This includes an entry in the ILLW from the Cape Willoughby Lighthouse, ILLW AU-0095. QSL via VK5PAS.

OPERATION APPROVED FOR DXCC CREDIT. The following operation has been approved for DXCC credit: Republic of South Sudan, Z81X, 2013 operation. If you had this rejected in a prior application, send a note to bmoore (at) arrl.org to be placed on the list for an update to your record.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. ARRL Rookie RTTY Roundup, ARRL 10 GHz and Up Contest, North American SSB QSO Party, International Lighthouse/Lightship Weekend (ILLW), QRP CW Fox Hunt, NCCC RTTY Sprint, NCCC Sprint CW Ladder, SARTG World Wide RTTY Contest, Russian District Award Contest, Keyman's Club of Japan CW Contest, Feld Hell Sprint, CVA DX CW Contest and the SARL HF Digital Contest are all scheduled for this upcoming weekend. The Run for the Bacon QRP CW Contest and NAQCC-EU Monthly CW Sprint are scheduled for August 19. Please see August QST, page 73 and the ARRL and WA7BNM

contest web sites for details.
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21501. FOR SALE

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-15 23:41:49 UTC
From: K1XN
Topic: 21501 Message: 21501

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Very limited supply left in stock. When they are gone, no more till
the Winter 2014 is released in late Nov 2013

John K1XN
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ATTEND This Years
W4DXCC DX CONVENTION
Pigeon Forge, Tennessee
September 27-28 2013*

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21502. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1122

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-04 16:55:19 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 21502 Message: 21502

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August 5, 2013
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 28th-July, through Sunday, 4th-August there were 221 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3B9, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4W, 4X, 5A, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5W, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C2, C3, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FH, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J6, J7, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JY, K, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OJ0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, P5, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ7, PY, PY0F, PZ, R1FJ, S0, S2, S5, S7, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T5, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TR, TT, TU, TY, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VP2E, VP2V, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VR, VU, XE, XU, YA, YB, YI, YK, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZD7, ZD8, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS, ZS8

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

3B9, RODRIGUEZ ISLAND. After the success of the J52EME DXpedition by the Verona DX Team, the team is pleased to announce the activation Rodriguez Island (AF-017), for EME activity on 144 and 432 MHz as well as HF oper-

ations between September 1-9th. The team is currently awaiting approval of the callsign 3B9EME. Operators mentioned are Walter/I3VJW (CW & Digital), Luc/I3LDP (SSB), and Rony/IZ3KIF & Alessandro/IK5MIC (SSB & Digital). They will have 2 stations on at the same time on the HF bands, with an emphasis on 160/80/40/30/17/12 meters, using CW, SSB, RTTY, JT65hf and PSK31. Suggested frequencies are:
CW - 1825, 3520, 7020, 10105, 14020, 18075, 21020, 24895 and 28020 kHz
SSB - 1835, 3780, 7065/7160, 14150, 18150, 21300, 24945 and 28430 kHz
RTTY - 3580, 7050, 10140, 14080, 18100, 21080, 24920 and 28080 kHx
6M - SKEDs

For more details, visit the 3B9EME Web site at:
http://www.ari.verona.it/veronadxteam/3b9_2013.htm

3DA0, SWAZILAND (Update to OPDX.1120). Roger/ZS6RJ and a Multi-International team of operators will be active as 3DA0ET from Piggs Peak, Swaziland, between November 18-27th. Some of the operators also took part in the 2012 7P8D DXpedition. According to Frosty, K5LBU, the 3DA0ET team is still looking for operators, especially some RTTY operators. Currently, operators mentioned are Emil/DL8JJ, Frosty/K5LBU, Neil/VA7DX, Keith/VE7MID, Sam/ZS6BRZ and Roger/ZS6RJ. If you are interested in be an operator, contact: Roger/ZS6RJ at: roger.jones@...
Frosty/K5LBU at: 3da0cf@...
They plan to have 4 stations on the air, covering all the HF bands (160-10 meters) and 6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. There will be a focus on RTTY and they plan to have a dedicated full-time RTTY station on the air from start to finish. Roger, ZS6RJ, informs OPDX readers, "We're also running an up-front survey (link on the home page) asking DXers what bands/modes etc. they need the most for Swaziland. We're going to use the information we get as a tool to focus our areas of concentration in our operating schedule once we're there and try to hit the 'most wanted' band slots per continent." Activity will also include the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) as a Multi-two entry. Dick, N7RO, will be the QSL Manager for 3DA0ET. Tony, LZ1JZ, will be printing and supplying the QSL cards. QSOs will be uploading daily to LoTW and ClubLog. They will not be using eQSL. More specific details about direct and Bureau QSLs will follow in due course, closer toward the end of the DXpedition. Watch the 3DA0ET Web page for updates at:
http://www.swazidx.org

4O, MONTENEGRO. Operators Goran/YT7AW and Ivan/YT4RA/IV3CTS will be active as 4O/homecall from Montenegro between August 6-15th. Activity will be starting from Durmitor National Park (4OFF-002), and then followed by seaside activity, with possible stopover on EU-163 (Crna Gora). QSL via their home callsigns as per QRZ.com.

5A, LIBYA (Update). Abubaker, DL1AL, who is now active as 5A1AL near Tripoli, informs OPDX that his stay will depend on the holiday and the business here and there. Activity this past week has been on 40/30/20/6 meters CW and 20 meters SSB. QSL via DL1AL.

5C0, MOROCCO. The "Council of Europe Radio Amateur Club" (CERAC - TP2CE) in partnership with the "Association royale des Radio Amateur du Maroc" (ARRAM) will be active as 5C0CE at 2300z, August 19th. Activity is to commemorate the Revolution, the King and the People, (August 20th) and Youth Celebration's Day (August 21st). Operations are usually on all HF bands and modes, and possibly the satellites. QSL via F5LGF. An online log search will be available at: http://ewwa.free.fr
The ARRAM Web site is at: http://www.arram.org
QSL cards will be printed beginning September.

5H, TANZANIA (Just A Reminder). NODXA member Byron, KF8UN, will be active as 5H3BB from here between now and August 20th. He will be there on a safari with his YL Sandy, K8FUN. Activity is possible on 40-15 meters, but mostly 20 meters and on SSB with some CW. He will use an IC-706 into a mag mount vertical and/or dipole. QSL via his home callsign direct.

8Q, MALDIVES. Operators Herbert/DL7AHF and Michael/DG8MH will be active as 8Q7HF and 8Q7MH, respectively, from the Maldives Islands (AS-013) until August 11th. QSL via their home callsign.

9M2, WEST MALAYSIA. Toru, JH0CJH, will once again operate as 9M2/JH0CJH from Kuala Lumpur between August 5-9th. Activity will be on all HF bands and 6 meters, but mainly 40-10 meters. Mode will be mainly CW, but he will try to work on RTTY and PSK31. QSL via his home callsign, direct, by the Bureau or LoTW.

9M2, WEST MALAYSIA (Update IOTA/LH Op!). Members of the Melaka DX Team will be active as 9M2MI (not 9M4LHU as first announced) from the Pulau Undan LightHouse on Undan Island (AS-097, WLOTA LH 3792, ARLHS WMA 013) between August 16-18th. Their activity will include this year's International Lighthouse/Lightship Weekend [ILLW] (August 17-18th). Activity will be on 40/20/17/15/12/10 meters using CW and SSB. Operators mentioned are Mohd/9M2YOT, Aimil/9M2AUR, Syamsul/9M2ESM, Abdul/9M2ARR, Kamarul/9M2TRX, Mohamad/9M2UST, Nazmi/9W2GSG, Mohd/9W2EJT, Hanizan/9W2JUM and Khairul/9W2FNN. QSL via 9M2YOT direct only. Look for more details and updates at: http://www.melakadxclub.blogspot.com

AO8, CANARY ISLANDS (LH Op!). Members of the Grupo DX Gran Canaria and URE Las Palmas will be active as AO8LH from Puna de la Aldea Lighthouse (DME: 35020, DIE: S-005, FEA: D2814.7, CAI: 032, EAFF-078) during the ILLW, August 17-18th. Activity will be on all HF bands using CW, SSB and RTTY. The ARLHS number is currently unassigned. QSL via EA8AKN and LoTW.

DXCC NEWS. Bill Moore, NC1L, ARRL Awards Branch Manager, reports that the following operations are approved for DXCC credit:
4S7NZG ☐ Sri Lanka (renewal); 2013 Operation
6O0LA ☐ Somalia; 2013 Operation
9M4SLL ☐ Spratly Islands; 2012 ☐ 2013 Operations
9Q6CC ☐ Democratic People's Republic of the Congo; 2010☐2011 Operation
9X0EME ☐ Rwanda; 2013 Operation
T6JM ☐ Afghanistan; 2012 Operation

XW0YJY ☐ Laos; 2013 Operation
XW4XR ☐ Laos; Current Operation
Z80ID ☐ South Sudan; Special 1-Day operation for Independence Day
celebration July 9th, 2013

NOTE: If you've had any of these rejected in a prior application,
send a note to <bmoore@...> to be placed on the list for an update
to your record. Also, please note the submission date and/or reference
number where the rejection was noted to expedite the search for any
rejected QSOs.

EA8, CANARY ISLANDS. Bob, DL7VOA, will be active as EA8/homecall between
now and August 17th. Activity will be holiday style, CW and mainly during
his evening night. QSL via DL7VOA, direct or by the Bureau.

EA8, CANARY ISLANDS. Andrew, G7COD, will be active as EA8/homecall from
Gran Canaria (AF-004, DIE S-005, WLOTA L 0969) between August 9-31st.
Activity will be on 30-6 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via his home
callsign, direct, by the Bureau or eQSL and LoTW.

EH200, SPAIN (Special Event). Members of the Union de Radioaficionados
de Donostia (URD) will activate the Spanish special event station EH200D
from La Mota Castle between August 24-25th, and then again from the URD HQ
(EA2URD) between August 31st and September 1st. Activity is to commemorate
the bicentenary of the reconstruction of Donostia- San Sebastian. QSL via
EA2URD. More detailed info is available on QRZ.com and on the Web page:
http://www.ea2urd2013.blogspot.com.es

FOC PRESS RELEASE (FOCUS75 Magazine). Roger, G3SXW, FOC Committee Secretary,
sent out the following on July 29th: "During the month of May 2013 the
First Class CW Operators' Club hosted a CW QSO Party, FOC75, to help
celebrate the Club's 75th Anniversary. This turned into a major CW fun
event for the whole month. Over 60 stations around the world signed with
the *FOC prefix, making over 200,000 CW QSOs and leading to over 1,600
applications for our commemorative certificate - well beyond our wildest
dreams. This was a major tribute to Samuel Morse, Alfred Vail and to the
Club's motto: 'A man should keep his friendship in constant repair'
(Samuel Johnson, 1709-1789).
FOC publishes a quarterly magazine for its members called 'FOCUS', a
high-quality magazine edited by Gabor, S57WJ. But this FOC75 event met
with such huge success that we have decided to publish an extra edition,
called 'FOCUS75'. FOC is pleased to share this special edition of our
magazine with not only members but also anyone who enjoys CW. Just go
to <http://www.g4foc.org/> to down-load it. Read the whole story of this
month-long celebration of Morse Code, especially the operating experiences
around the world, and see photos of those who made it happen in a pull-out
poster.
CW is alive and well and will remain so for at least the next 75 years -
FOC will see to that!"

FT5ZM AMSTERDAM ISLAND DXPEDITION UPDATE (From The FT5ZM Web Page).
[edited] "The Amsterdam Island DXpedition team wants to hear well and be
well heard on the low bands. This means we need a lot of wire.
WB9Z, with the help of NV9L, K9NU, N9TK, K9TP, N9LAH, W9ILY, KE9I, K9CJ,
and 'Lee', has prepared over 10,000 feet of radials for our 30, 40, 80,
and 160 meter verticals. We will also have several low band receive
antennas ☐ both wire antennas and a receive 4-Square. In the photo
<http://www.amsterdamdx.org/wp-content/uploads/DSCF0105-150x150.jpg>,
Jerry ☐ WB9Z, and our pilot, Val ☐ NV9L, are shown with over 10,000 feet
of pre-cut radials and over 10,000 feet of coax cut to length with
connectors attached."

HC, ECUADOR. Emanuelle, IK2OHG, will be active as HC2IOH from Guayaquil
between August 10th and September 12th. Activity will be holiday style
on 40-10 meters, including 30/17/12 meters, using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL
via his home callsign, direct, by the Bureau or LoTW.

IOTA NEWS.............
AS-060. Members of the South Korean Gwangju DX Club (6L0NJ), will be
active as D7G from Jindo Island between August 16-18th.
Activity will be on 80-10 meters using CW, SSB, PSK and
RTTY. QSL via 6L0NJ, by the Bureau or direct.

AS-109. REMINDER! Members of the Russian Robinson Club (RRC) continue
to activate various islands and lighthouses to celebrate the
RRC's 20th anniversary until September 30th. Look for the RT9K
team to be active as R20RRC/8 from Zhuravlinyi Island (RR-026-43)
between August 9-14th. Activity will be on 40-10 meters using
CW, SSB and PSK. QSL R20RRC/1 via RZ3EC. For more details and
updates, watch: http://robinsons.ru

EU-008. JUST A REMINDER! Operators Andy/M1LOL and Ray/M1REK will be
active as MM1REK from the Isle of Coll (IOSA NH05, SCOTIA DI12,
WLOTA 2123) in the Inner Hebrides group between August 5-10th.
Activity will be on 80-10 meters SSB and the Digital modes.
QSL via M1REK, by the Bureau or direct. See the Web site at:
http://www.m1rek.co.uk/isle-of-coll

EU-037. Ric, DL2VFR, will be active as SD7V from Öland Island starting
Saturday, August 10th, until Friday, August 23rd. Activity
will be mostly on CW and some SSB. Also, a short entry in the
ILLW (August 17-18th) is possible from Tokenäs Udde Lighthouse
signing SD7V/LH. QSL for SD7V only via DL2VFR (by the Bureau,
LoTW, eQSL or direct).

NA-058. Twelve operators from the Tamiami ARC will be active as K4S
from Sapelo Island between September 12-14th. Activity will
be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK.

NA-134/ (Update) Bo, OZ1DJJ, is now active as OX3LX from Kangerlussuaq
NA-243. until August 5th. Look for him to activate Aasiaat Island
(NA-134) between August 5-9th, but after that look for him
to be active from NA-243 a week later (August 15-23rd).

Activity will be active on the HF bands. QSL via OZ1PIF.
For more info and updates, see: http://geronne.dk

OC-197. Adhi (Bimbo), YB3MM, will be active as YB3MM/p from Bawean Island sometime soon. For updates, watch his Web Blog page at: http://www.yb3mm.com

OC-233. Tony, VK3VTH, will be active as homecall/7 from King Island between August 15-18th. Activity will be on 40/20 meters using SSB. He will also be in the International Lighthouse/Lightship Weekend, from Currie Lighthouse (AU-0016), August 17-18th. QSL via VK3VTH, direct or by the Bureau. Bureau cards will be sent for all QSOs immediately after the activation. No LoTW or eQSL for King Island operation.

OC-236. Operators Kadek/YB9BU and Teddy/YC1BPO will be active as homecall/8 from Gangga Island at the end of August.

OC-276. (Update - NEW ONE!) Members of the "ORDA PAPUA DXPEDITION TEAM" will activate for the first time Mapia Island as YB9Y between October 20-28th. Operators mentioned are Yanuarius/YB9YZ, Triadi/YB0KVN, Faisal/YB1PR, Pri/YB0ECT, Gjellani/YB1GJS, Tatang/YB1MH, Wisnu/YB0AZ, Ronny/YB9WR, Jozardy/YD1JZ, Kasmuri/ YD1MRI, Danu/YD1GCL, Terry/YC1KAF, Rizal/YD1ORZ, Suryadi/YB0JS, Yoyon/YB1CCF, Heri/YB1KAR, Terry/YC1KAF, YL Ria/YC0KVM, YL Susana/YD1LUX, Randi/YC0RAN, Syafruddin/YB9SB, YL Laily/YB0TSU, Edy/YD1XUH, Achmad/YC1CDV, Wahyu/YC1CWK, Ujang/YC0LLY, Sadao/ WK1S/JA1PBV and Dervin/PD9X. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via YB1GJS, direct or by the Bureau. A OQRS will be used on ClubLog. For more details and updates, see: http://yb9y.com

J3, GRENADA (Update to OPDX.1104/1105). Operators Tom/OE2ATN and Franz/ OE2SNL had to cancel their suitcase DXpedition to Grenada Island between October 28th and November 10th.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (August 5-11th)....
Aug/05th AN Aug/08th AN Aug/10th AN
Aug/06th AN Aug/09th AN Aug/11th AN
Aug/07th AN

SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS/INDEXES AND GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE
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NORMALITY	GEOMAG	K Values	Alpha
AN - Above Normal	Quiet	K=0-1	0-7
HN - High Normal	Unsettled	K=2	8-15
LN - Low Normal	Active	K=3	16-29
BN - Below Normal	Minor Storm	K=4	30-49
DIS - Disturbed	Major Storm	K=5	50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed	Severe Storm	K=6-9	100-400

NEW WEB PAGE (New Voodoo Contest Group Web Site). Roger, G3SXW, sent out the following press release on July 29th [edited]: "The Voodoo Contest Group has taken part in CQ World-Wide CW Contest from West Africa each November for the past 19 years, operating in ten different countries. We have won the Multi-Operator contest six times. Thirty different operators have participated over the years, travelling from UK and USA.
In 2004 we published a book: 'Contesting in Africa: Multi-Multi on the Equator' describing the first ten years. It is now time to update the story. The timing of this is important because we have now come to the End of an Era, so to speak: we will no longer return to West Africa to take our large stock-pile of equipment out of storage for the 20th time. It has been donated to the Liberian Amateur Radio Association.
The modern form of 'book' is a web-site - so we have developed one.
The group offers a huge vote of thanks to John Warburton, G4IRN, for investing so much skill, time and energy into this project. The site comprises offerings from many of the Contest group and tells, hopefully in detail but also in an entertaining way, the story of these past 19 years. All the facts and figures are there but more importantly also the experiences: those long bus-journeys between countries and the fascinating sights along the way, visiting African villages, and every amateur radio aspect from managing pile-ups, to maintaining deteriorating amplifiers, to negotiating transmitting licences and much, much more, embellished with many video clips. The group has certainly learned a lot about life in West Africa and thoroughly enjoyed every minute, every challenge.
Visit <http://voodoocontestgroup.com> to join us on those amazing journeys, laugh with us, take part in our celebration of two decades, almost two sunspot cycles, of Contest DXpeditioning.
Enquiries: Roger Western/G3SXW <g3sxw@...>, John Warburton/ G4IRN <G4IRN@dxdx.co.uk>"

OO AWARD 2013 (Update). On July 21st, His Royal Highness Prince Philippe became the new king of Belgium and His Royal Highness King Albert II has reigned for 20 years. For both occasions, all radio amateurs with a Belgian license will be allowed to use the prefix "OO" instead of "ON" from July 21st until and including September 20th, 2013. Belgian vanity callsigns (with only one letter in the suffix) may not change their prefix. Some vanity callsigns already have an "OO" prefix.
The Belgian IARU Society UBA is issuing a commemorative award for working a specific number of these OO stations. Details are as following:

Stations located in	Number of different OO stations needed	Among those worked, minimum of OO prefixes needed
Belgium	25	5
Europe, except Belgium	15	3
Outside Europe	7	2

Please note that only OO stations with at 2 or 3 letters in their suffix count towards this award. Each OO stations can only be counted once regardless of the band/mode used. The award will be issued in electronic (PDF) version. No fee required. Log extracts should be mailed before the end of 2013 to the UBA Award Manager Egbert Hertsen ON4CAS: Egbert.hertsen@...

SWL stations may apply while indicating the callsign the OO stations had QSO with. The awards will be sent out mid October 2013.

PJ6 & PJ7, SABA AND SINT MAARTEN. Operators Rob/N7QT and Hugh/W4VAB will be heading to both Saba [NA-145] (November 7-17th) and Sint Maarten [NA-105] (November 17-24th) Islands on a suitcase mini-DXpedition. They will be using the new CrankIR portable antenna system from SteppIR, as well as Elecraft KX3/K3 transceivers. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using the following modes: CW, SSB and digital modes (RTTY, PSK and JT65). Operating callsigns on Saba will be PJ6/N7QT and PJ6/W4VAB. While on Sint Maarten, callssigns will be PJ7/N7QT and PJ7/W4VAB. QSL information: via LOTW, eQSL, Bureau, or Direct(SASE + IRC).

PJ7, SINT MAARTEN. Operators Dennis/K2SX, Les/W2LK and Andy/K2LE will be active as homecall/PJ7 from Dawn Beach on the eastern side of St. Maarten (NA-105, WLOTA 0711) between November 19-26th. QSLs should go to their home calligns. Activity will include this year's CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) using a special callsign, yet to be determined. QSLs for the contest operation should go to W2LK. K2SX and W2LK have previously operated together in the CQWW contests from V31, KH6 and from Andy's super station K2LE in VT. K2LE has also been active in contests from P40LE.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (For July 28th and August 4th)

3Z2013TSR via SP1YGL GW9X via MW1LCR SF2013WE via SM7HZK
4K9W via DL6KVA HA2013AIR via HA5KDR SI3A via SM3LIV
4L8A via K1BV HA6D via HA6ZQ SN13E via SQ1SDX
5Q2AE/P via I2AE HA75KBF via HA5KBF SN13I via SP1MGM
5Q2T via OZ0J HB0/F5RAV via F5RAV (d) SN13N via SP1MVG
5W1SA via JA1DXA HB9WFF via HB9FBI SN13Z via SP1QXK
5Z4/EA4ATI via EA4YK HF2013TSR via SP1DPA SN2K via SP2YWL
9A/HA0KA via HA0KA HL2ZBD/3 via JK3IJQ SV48FF via SV2GWY (d)
9A/HA6PS via HA6PS II3MDS via IQ3TN (d/B) SV8/OM6NM via OM6NM
9A/S54O via S54O IQ3SD/3 via IQ3SD SV8/SZ1SV via SZ1SV
9A289A via 9A9A IT9/IW3RUA via IW3RUA SV9/LZ3FN via LZ1PM
9A8BEN via DO1BEN IT9/W2RE via W2RE (L) SW8CC via M5RIC (d)
9M8Z via M0URX LA/DL7URH via DL7URH SX8HOMER via SV8GXQ (d)
A62A via IZ8CLM LX/PA1AT via PA1AT TF/PD7YY via PD7YY
C91J via ZS5J (d) LY/DL3AWB via DL3AWB TI60RC via TI0RC (d)
CF2I via VE2CQ (d/L) LZ/RV3ATS via RV3ATS TK13RNB via F8BBL
CR2F via HB9CRV M8C via G4DFI TO1PF via FR1GZ
CR5CW via CT7ACG MZ5A via G3TXF UA0IT/6 via RX6CM
CX1FU via CX2ABC OD5ARMY via OD5NJ UA9AC via UA9AB (d/B)
DB100AWPB via DO6NIK OF3I via OH3BHL (d) UA9ADG via UA9AB (d/B)
DL/9A2WJ via 9A2WJ OG9W via OH2BCI UE44R/9 via RX4HJ
E74A via K2PF OH0/DL1SVA/P via DL1SVA UE80RWW via R4AAS
E7DX via E77E OO2OPA via ON2OPA UP44WFF via UN6QC
E7TT via E73DPR (B) OO3KM via ON3KM V47JA via W5JON
EA6/AA5UK via AA5UK (B/d/L) OO4AEF via ON4AEF V5/HB9PHJ via HB9PHJ
EF8U via EA8URL (L) OO4RUB via ON4RUB VP2EAF via W5SQK (d)

EJ1Y via EI5JQ OO6YX via ON6YX XV2JJ via JH5RXS
EM20RRC/A via UT7UT OO7RN via ON7RN YB3MM/7 via IZ8CCW
EM7UT via UR7UT OR2A via ON1DX YQ0BIKE via YO6KNE
ES8/SP7VC via SP7VC OY/DL3UB via DL3UB YS1/NP3J via EA5GL
F/M0RIF via M0RIF R500AK via RK3VWA YU0T via YU1WS
GB1100FBS via GB1100FBS (e) RA/F4CYZ via F4CYZ ZA/IW2JOP via IW2JOP
GM2T via GM4UYZ RA36ZF via RV9CVA ZZ2T via PY2MNL
GV3PXT via G3PXT SA5A via SM5DXV
AM1CB, AM2CB, AM3CB, AM4CB, AM5CB, AM6CB,
AM7CB, AM8CB and AM9CB via EA4RKR (e)

(e) eQSL only (d) direct only (B) Bureau only (L) LoTW only

ATBSG13 via: Bharat Scouts & Guides, 16 M.G.Marg, I.P.Estate, New Delhi 110002 India. Members of the Bharat Scouts and Guides activate this special callsign for the 9th Asia-Pacific Regional/Internet Jamboree. Operators were VU2RBI, VU2TCU, VU3KRT and VU3OWL.

H44IOTA QSL STATUS. QSL Manager Rex, NR6M, reports, "All QSL request for H44IOTA that I have received have been mailed out." ADDED NOTE: Rex reports, "H44IND has been validated by RSGB".

N2OB was active from Long Beach Island (NA-111),NJ, from the Barnegat Lighthouse "Old Barney" (ARLHS USA039), on August 4th. QSL via N2OB.

NEW MANAGER. Oscar, HK6DOS, reports that his new QSL Manager is now Francisco, EA7FTR.

OM QSL BUREAU CHANGE. Steve, OM3JW, OM QSL Bureau Manager reports: "Postal address of Slovak QSL Bureau was changed. New address is: Slovak Amateur Radio Association (SARA), P.O.Box 14, 900 31 Stupava, Slovakia. If you will send QSL by courier you must use address: Stefan Horecky OM3JW, Mlynska 2, 900 31 Stupava, Slovakia (mobil phone +421 903 860 235). Don't use PO Box please!"

QSL ROUTE CHANGE. Phil, N1KI, reports that he is no longer the QSL Manager for CO2WF and T40C. He states, "We had a good run, and I wish much DX and good luck to Winty."

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 5W0XT, 7Z7AB, FO4BM, FP/KV1X, GJ6YB, HK0/F6BFH, HK4SAN, JO3JIS, JT1RF, KX0XH, LT0N, LU4ECN, MJ/PA1AW, P29NI, P29VPB, R3AW, RA9CMO, RX1CQ, S55O and VA7ST

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3D2RX, 5N7M, 5T0SP, 6W/HA0NAR, 7T9A, 7X5KBS, C4W, D44TWO, E51M, E51EWP, ET3AA, EY8MM, FT5ZB, GS3PYE/p, H44S, J49C, J5NAR, OH1VR/VP9, SU8N, SU1IE, TO2D, TS8TI, TX5K, TZ6BB and YE1Z

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 3B9/OE4AAC, 3Z2012RKT, 4O1A, 4O3A, 4O7A, 8J1ING, 8J1R, 8J1RL, 8Q7OE, 9M2TO, AH0BT, B3C, BY1WXD/1, BY1WXD/5, C31CT, DR20BRA, FM5LD, H44GL, HF2012EFC, HS0ZJU, IS0HFE, KH0/JS1KSU, LZ1500PNB, LZ1737SSS, LZ916SS, OH0HG, SN2012GD, SN2012JZU, SN2012WA, SV9COL, T88KF, TJ3AY, TK5AE, TO4M and WH2DX

SILENT KEY. It has been reported by several sources that [edited], "Tom Christian, VP6TC/VR6TC, longtime famous ham from Pitcairn Island, who probably gave most of us that 'new one,' has passed away, peacefully, on July 7th. Tom was diagnosed with possible Parkinson's and early signs of Alzheimer's/dementia in December, 2009, while on a family visit in New Zealand. His wife, Betty Christian, VP6YL/VR6YL, says his health 'deteriorated all too quickly,' and the last few months were "cruel ones to watch such a strong, vibrant man reduced to where he was not really aware of his surroundings and then was unable to walk and swallow food or liquid.' Tom was buried July 8th in the cemetery on Pitcairn. Lack of available transportation prevented most of Tom and Betty's children making it back for the funeral. Tom was known as the 'Voice of Pitcairn,' was an M.B.E., Member of the British Empire, and served on the Pitcairn Island Council as the Governor's Representative for 40 years."

T33, BANABA ISLAND (Update). It was reported on July 30th, a "40 foot container with over 17,000 pounds of equipment and supplies left this afternoon and is on its way to the Long Beach, California, terminal. It is due to sail on August 4th. The container will travel from California to New Zealand to Fiji and then on to Tarawa. Tarawa is our site of ocean departure for Banaba." For a picture and short video, go to: http://www.t33a.com/news.html
The international team of operators are expected to activate Banaba Island (OC-018) sometime between November 5-18th. The current list of operators mentioned are Jay/AA4FL, Alan/AD6E, Gerhard/DJ5IW, Franz/DK1II, Dominik/DL5EBE, Axel/DL6KVA, László/HA0NAR, Al/K3VN, Cliff/KD6XH, David/N1EMC (Co-leader), Arnold/N6HC, David/N6HD, Mike/N9NS, Ricardo/PY2PT, Jay/W2IJ (Co-leader), Charlies/W6KK, Ann/WA1S, Robert/WA1F, and Ron/WA6FGV and Chris/VK3FY. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. Their suggested frequencies (with specific dates) have been posted on the T33A Web page. They will have six stations on the air at two different sites. A OQRS by ClubLog will be available and will be the preferred method to use for your QSL confirmation. Logs will be posted to Logbook Of The World (LoTW) approximately 6 months after the conclusion of the DXpedition. Direct QSLs are via W2IJ. QSLs will also be available direct by the Bureau. For more details, visit the T33A Web page at: http://www.t33a.com/index.htm

T8, PALAU. Masashi, JL1FUQ, will be active as T88GJ from Palau Islands (OC-009) between September 20-24th. Activity will be limited or dates may change because of his work, but look for him on 20/17/15/12/10/6 meters using SSB and possibly AM,PSK31 and RTTY. Equipment is Yaesu FT-897D with a THP HL-550FX amp into 6m 5 element yagi and a 2 or 3 element HF yagi. QSL via his home callsign, by the Bureau or direct to: Masashi Sampei, 1-2-12-1305, Kasumigaoka, Fujimino City, Saitama Pref., 356-0006 JAPAN.

V49, ST. KITTS AND NEVIS. Bob, K5WA, will be active as V4/K5WA from Calypso Bay, St. Kitts (NA-104), between November 20-27th. His activity will include the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) signing as V49J. Activity outside of the contest will be on 160-10 meters CW. He will use an Elecraft K3 into a 31 ft. vertical. QSL V49J via W5JON direct only or via LoTW. QSL V4/K5WA via K5WA.

V5, NAMIBIA. Winfried, DK9IP, will once again be active as V55V from V52W's QTH in Omaruru this time for the Worked All Europe DX CW Contest [WAE] (August 10-11th) as a Single-Op/High-Power entry. QSL via DJ8VC. Before and after the contest, he will sign V5/DK9IP. Activity will be on 160-10 meters, possibly some RTTY and 6m. QSL for V5/DK9IP via his home callsign. Winfried is expected to be there between August 8-13th.

VK9NT (Closes the Financial Records). Chris, VK3QB, reports on July 27th: "As of 14 July 2013, VK9NT finances have been closed. All operators have seen and approved of the financial records. Due to the generosity of radio amateurs and clubs, all freight costs have been reimbursed to the 11 operators. On behalf of the VK9NT team we thank all amateurs who contributed to help offset our costs. Any further donations either via the VK9NT website or via our QSL Manager will be directed to ODXG Inc to cover some of the expenses that the club paid to assist VK9NT."

W4DXCC DX AND CONTEST CONVENTION. Now in its 9th year, the W4DXCC and Contest Convention is the Southeast's largest and most highly attended ham radio event. This year W4DXCC IX takes place at the MainStay Suites in Pigeon Forge, Tennessee, on September 27-28th. A full schedule of presenters will speak on DX and Contest subjects throughout the convention. The Ten Tec Hamfest is the same day and scheduled, so both Ten Tec and W4DXCC can be taken in the same day. It is a good time to bring the family as they can do other activities in the area. It's a great time for all.
For more details, see: http://www.w4dxcc.com
Ten Tec Hamfest: http://www.tentec.com/categories/Visit-Our-Hamfest!--2013

XR0, JUAN FERNANDEZ (Press Release/Update #2) [edited]. "Finally, the team was completed! We are pleased to to share our experience with Hans, DL6JGN.
The flights and locations have already been fixed and confirmed. Now the team will focus on technical aspect of the DXpedition, such as antennas, radios and RX systems.
Unfortunately, the island is surrounded by high mountains, and certainly does not allow us to be open to 360 degrees. Despite this, we will place our setup of antennas in order to satisfy the largest number of amateur radio operators as possible.
Surely, a major focus will be given to the RTTY, which we think is highly requested by the hamradio community.
We would like to remind you again, how important for us, is your financial support. At the time we were able to cover only part of the huge costs that this expedition required.
To give you an idea of costs, the total budget of the whole operation JUANFERNANDEZ2013 is approximately 56,000 USDs (42,000 ☐).
That said, we would be eternally grateful if you decide to support and help us accomplish this our adventure.
On our website, <http://www.juanfernandez2013.com>, you can do it (donate) very simply..... 73 XR0ZR Team"

XV, VIETNAM. Masanobu, JR5JAQ, is now active as XV2JJ. His length of stay is not known. Activity has be on 20/17/15 meters mainly CW with some SSB. QSL via JH5RXS, direct or by the Bureau.

XW, LAOS (Update). Champ, E21EIC, will be active as XW0YJY during the Work All Europe CW Contest [WAE] (August 10-11th) as Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. Outside of the contest, Champ will try 6 meters some days (watch on 50.112 MHz). He is working in Laos and is expected to be there until September 14th. Champ's activity also will be on 160-2 meters. He mentions also that during this period he will be working between Vientiane, Laos, and Bangkok, Thailand. QSL via E21EIC and LoTW. Visit it his FaceBook and Web page at: https://www.facebook.com/SomChamp
http://www.e21eic.net/index.php
ADDED NOTES FROM CHAMP. He states that he will be at the Tokyo Ham Fair 2013 (August 24-25th) and would like to invite all HAMs to visit the Radio Amateur Society of Thailand (RAST) booth number A-12. He will be the only one at the booth. Champ mentions that he will have QSL cards with him for the stations he manages or has operated from. You can pick up a card , but please send a request to his E-mail <e21eic@...>.
Also, Champ will operate from Japam using his JA callsign which is JH1TEQ.
QSL via E21EIC.

YF1, INDONESIA (LH and IOTA Op!). Budi, YF1AR, (member of the YB Land DX Club) will be active as YF1AR/1 from the Cikoneng-Anyer LightHouse (ARLHS IDO-081), Banten, Java Island (OC-021), between August 7-11th. QSL via N2OO. For more info, see:
http://www.yf1ar.com/2013/08/yf1ar1-cikoneng-anyer-lighthouse-banten.html

YW0, AVES ISLAND (Update to OPDX.1117). It has been announced that the callsign YW0A has been approved by the Venezuelan's National Telecommunication Commission (CONATEL). Rafael, YV5RED, reports on his Blog page <http://yv5red-tr.blogspot.com/2013/07/conatel-yw0a-aprobada-y-en-marcha.html> that "the National Telecommunications Commission authorizes the Civil Association (4M5DX Group) 4M5DX, to use the special callsign YW0A, for a period of one year, counted from the date of notification...." The CONATEL also authorizes the following frequencies bands: "1800-2000 kHz, 3500-4000 kHz, 7000-7300 kHz, 10100-10150 kHz, 14000-14350 kHz, 18068-18168 kHz, 21000-21450 kHz, 24890-24990 kHz, 28 to 29.7 MHz, 50-54 MHz, 144-148 MHz, 220-225 MHz, 430-440 MHz ... " No specific dates have been announced yet (just sometime between November 1st, 2013, and February 28th, 2014. It is suggested to watch the following media Web pages for updates at:
DXpedition's Web page - http://www.avesisland.info
4M5DX Group's Facebook page - https://www.facebook.com/4M5DX
4M5DX Group's Twitter page - https://twitter.com/4m5dxgroup

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** IMPORTANT NOTICE/REMINDER ** The Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin now has a new FAX number. Contributors can now send/fax their DX information to the following number: 1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)
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SPECIAL NOTE BY EDITOR: If you are having a problem receiving bounced mail by sending mail to me via " kb8nw@... ", please send mail to me via " kb8nw@arrl.net "...... TNX de Tedd KB8NW
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PLEASE NOTICE (as of February 12th), NEW ADDRESS CHANGES FOR THE

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Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@...?subject=unsubscribe>
OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):
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http://www.nodxa.org
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21503. Beta test of spot quality filtering for RBN spots - sopot format issue

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-16 10:26:22 UTC
From: Pete Smith N4ZR
Topic: 21503 Message: 21503

You may have noticed that RBN spots from your favorite cluster node have started arriving with two different formats. This happens because a number of nodes connect both to the RBN's ARC6 node and to its DXSpider node, which does not carry the AB5K/CT1BOH spot filtering tags.

I have discussed this with AB5K, who advises that he does not see the quality tags as a permanent part of the output of ACR6. They are there for debugging, and will be removed when the beta process is completed. This should mean that those of you who have written programs that rely on the format of the Comment field (finding certain data in a certain column) will only be inconvenienced for a limited time, and can connect to the DXSpider node in the meantime.

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73, Pete N4ZR
Check out the Reverse Beacon Network at
http://reversebeacon.net,
blog at reversebeacon.blogspot.com.
For spots, please go to your favorite
ARC V6 or VE7CC DX cluster node.

21504. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-16 14:01:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21504

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:Issued: 2013 Aug 16 1220 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30816
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 16 Aug 2013, 1208UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 16 Aug 2013 until 18 Aug 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Active conditions expected (A>=20 or K=4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 16 Aug 2013 10CM FLUX: 127 / AP: 022
PREDICTIONS FOR 17 Aug 2013 10CM FLUX: 127 / AP: 017
PREDICTIONS FOR 18 Aug 2013 10CM FLUX: 125 / AP: 007
COMMENT: Eruptive conditions should persist for the solar activity over the next 48
hours, with C class flares likely from NOAA AR 1817 and 1818, and a slight
risk for an isolated M class event from both regions. Active geomagnetic
conditions were observed at local levels (Dourbes) during the past 24
hours. Active to minor storm periods were observed at planetary levels. We
expect unsettled to active conditions to persist for the next 24 hours and
then return to mostly quiet conditions by Aug. 17- Aug. 18. ACE
measurements show disturbed Bz and high solar wind speed (around 800 km/s)
in relation with the northern coronal hole.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 067, BASED ON 20 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 15 Aug 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 123
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 028
AK WINGST : 020
ESTIMATED AP : 020
ESTIMATED ISN : 087, BASED ON 16 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** DX INFORMATION ****
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9H - Rich, KE1B (9H3MMM) and Anna, W6NN (9H3NN) will be active from Malta (EU-023) on 21-26 August. They will operate holiday style on 40-10 metres CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau, plus LoTW and eQSL. Logsearch and OQRS on Club Log.
C9 - A team from South Africa and the US (K1MM, K6TD, N1DG, N4XP, N9JA, NF4A, W6OAT, W6OSP, ZS6P, ZS6PJH and ZS6RI) will be active as C82DX from Xai Xai, Mozambique on 15-22 October. They will operate CW, SSB and RTTY on 160-6 metres, with a focus on the low bands. QSL via Club Log's OQRS (direct and bureau) and LoTW (six months after the conclusion of the DXpedition). Traditional direct requests should go to C82DX, P.O. Box 333, Bethlehem GA 30620. USA. Further information can be found at www.c82dx.com
CX - A team from Radiogrupo Sur will be active on all bands and modes as CW5X from the lighthouse at Punta Jose Ignacio on 16-18 August. QSL direct to CX2ABC. Further information can be found at http://cw5x.cx.uy/ [TNX Radiogrupo Sur]
DL - Hans, DL2RU will be active as DL2RU/p from Fehmarn Island (EU-128) on 17-22 August. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX DX Newsletter]
E4 - Peri, HB9IQB (www.hb9iqb.ch/palestine.html) will be active again as E44PM from Palestine "in late August". He will be runnning 100 watts into wire verticals. QSL via HB9IQB, direct or bureau. Peri plans to upload his log to LoTW and Club Log on a daily basis. [TNX DX World]
I - ARI La Spezia will participate in the ILLW as IP1T from San Venerio lighthouse on Tino Island (EU-083). Expect activity on the HF bands, as well as on 6, 4 and 2 metres. QSL via IZ5JLF. [TNX IZ5JLF]
I - Bruno, IZ0DIB and Marco, IZ6ASI will operate SSB as IZ0DIB/6 from Senigallia lighthouse on 17-18 August for the ILLW. [TNX IZ6ASI]
I - Alessandro, IW5ELA will be active as IG9/IW5ELA from Lampedusa Island (AF-019) on 8-18 September. He will operate mainly CW. All of the QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau. Logsearch on Club Log.
J8 - A polish team (SP2EBG, SP3CYY, SP3GEM, SP6EQZ, SP6IXF, SP9FOW and SP9PT) will be active as J88HL from St. Vincent (NA-109) on 17-29

November. They will have at least three stations active 24/7 on
160-10 metres CW, SSB and RTTY, with a serious effort on the low
bands. They will also have equipment for 6 metres. QSL route to be
announced; logsearch and OQRS on Club Log. Bookmark
http://j88hl.dxing.pl/ for updates. [TNX SP6EQZ]
JA - Look for Kenji, JA4GXS/4 to be active from Kasadojima (AS-117) on
17 August from about 7 UTC until about 22 UTC. He will be QRV on
40, 30 and 20 metres SSB and CW. QSL via home call, direct or
bureau. [TNX JI3DST]
LY - Sam, LY5W will be active as LY5W/p from the Nida Lighthouse on
16-20 August. He will operate mainly CW and SSB with some RTTY.
[TNX LY5W]
OZ - Special station OZ6SYL will be active on 22-25 August for the
Scandinavian Young Ladies Radio Amateurs' 10th anniversary meeting
that will take place in Roskilde (http://oz.sylra.is/). QSL via
OZ7AGR.
OZ - Heinz DC5WW, Robert DK2RO, Anton DL8AW, Norbert DL9NAC and Thilo
DL9NBJ will be active as 5Q7Y from Langeland Island (EU-172) on
14-21 September. QSL via DL8AW, direct or bureau (OQRS on Club
Log), and LoTW.
S5 - The following special event callsigns are expected to be in use to
celebrate EuroBasket 2013 (the FIBA European Basketball
Championship to be held in Slovenia on 4-22 September): S500EB,
S513EB, S521EB, S522EB, S523EB, S531EB, S533EB, S539EB, S541EB,
S542EB, S543EB, S544EB, S546EB and S563EB. QSL via bureau.
SV5 - Hans, ON6ZK active as SV5/ON6ZK/p from Kos Island (EU-001) on
23-30 August. He will be QRV mainly on 20 metres SSB and CW. QSL
via home call, bureau preferred. [TNX NG3K]
TK - Sebastian, IK2WZM will be active as TK9ZM (www.mdxc.org/tk9zm/)
from Corsica (EU-014) on 2-8 September. He will operate holiday
style on the HF bands and 6 metres. QSL via home call. [TNX
Mediterraneo DX Club]
V5 - Hardy, DF3GY and Hans, DF2UU will participate in the IARU Region 1
SSB Field Day (7-8 September) and the WAE SSB Contest (14-15
September) as V55V from Namibia. QSL via DJ8VC. Outside the
contests they will operate CW and SSB as V5/DF3GY and V5/DF2UU on
160-6 metres. [TNX NG3K]
VE - Dana, VE1VOX will be active as VY2/VE1OTA from West Point
Lighthouse on Prince Edward Island (NA-029) on 16-18 August. QSL
via VE3EXY. [TNX NG3K]
VK - Albert, VK3KLB and others will be active as VK7LH from Low Head
Lighthouse on the main island of Tasmania (OC-006) on 17-18 August
for the ILLW. They plan to have up to three stations operating
simultaneously depending upon conditions. QSL via VK3KLB.

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DX MAGAZINE MOST WANTED SURVEY ---> The DX Magazine's annual Most Wanted Survey is being conducted now through 15 October. The survey form can be found at http://dxpub.com/survey/survey2013.html. Many DXCC Entities have been added to the survey for this year, but if you still need something that is not listed, simply use the "Additions or Comments" space at the end of the form). The overall results will be published in the January-February 2014 issue of The DX Magazine, and the world-wide results will be posted to the web site around 15 January 2014. The breakdown by mode/Low Bands will be published in the March-April 2014 issue of the magazine. [TNX N4AA]

DXCC NEWS ---> Z81X (Republic of South Sudan, 2013 operation) has been approved for DXCC credit. If you have had this rejected in a prior application, send a note to bmoore[@]arrl.org to be placed on the list for an update to your record. Please note the submission date and/or reference number where the rejection was noted to expedite the search for any rejected QSOs. [TNX NC1L]

GACW ---> The new website for the Grupo Argentino de CW (GACW) can be found at http://www.gacwar.org [TNX LU6EF]

ILLW ---> The 16th annual International Lighthouse/Lightship Weekend, conducted under the sponsorship of the Ayr Amateur Radio Group, will take place from 00.01 UTC on 17 August until 23.59 UTC on the 18th. Complete information on this popular event, including a list of participating stations, can be found at http://illw.net/

OH2BH ---> "Changing Times in DX Hunt", the keynote lecture delivered by Martti Laine, OH2BH on 29 June at Ham Radio 2013 (Friedrichshafen), is now available - slides and audio (five separate .pps files) - on the Documentary Archive Radio Communications' website at www.dokufunk.org/laine [TNX OE1WHC]

KV4 STATIONS ---> The KP2 QSL Bureau "constantly receives QSLs for KV4 stations who are not located in the US Virgin Islands", Fred, K9VV/NP2X (KP2 QSL Bureau Manager) reports. Nowadays the KV4 prefix is assigned to the continental USA, the only KV4 callsigns that are located in the US Virgin Islands (KP2) are KV4BA, KV4BT, KV4BW, KV4CF, KV4DN, KV4FZ, KV4HR, KV4IE and KV4KW.

QSL VIA NR6M ---> The new mailing address for NR6M is: Rex Turvin, 18040 W Banning Street, Casa Grande AZ 85193, USA. He is the QSL manager for 5W0W, CO2HQ, DU1WGA, DU1/W7XA, H40IOTA, H44IND, H44IOTA, H44RK, H44USMC, H40RK, RU0LAX, RU0LAX/p, VP2V/AA7V and VP2V/KE2VB. Logsearch and OQRS are available for most of them, see www.qrz.com/db/NR6M.

WRTC 2014 ---> WRTC2014, Inc., host of the 2014 World Radiosport Team Championship (WRTC) has announced that the application process for individuals that would like to participate in WRTC2014 as a Team Leader is now open. Team Leader applications must be submitted no later than 13 September. A total of 54 Team Leaders will be selected from the top

qualifiers in 29 regions from around the world. Each Team Leader then selects their teammate for the competition. The Team Leader qualification formula consists of 12 scores selected from 55 qualifying events between October 2010 and March 2013. Full details of the qualification process as well as the Team Leader application form can be found on the WRTC2014 web site (www.wrtc2014.org). In addition to the regional qualifying, there is also a slot dedicated to a contest team with both members less than 25 years old before July 2014. Those interested in being considered for the Youth Team must follow the Team Leader application process.

XZ1Z ---> Zorro, JH1AJT was QRV on 17 and 20 metres as XZ1Z from Nay Pyi Taw, the capital city of Myanmar, on 13-16 August while on a mission for the Foundation for Global Children. He expects to return next month. His operating permission, issued by the Ministry of Communications and Information Technology, is valid until 12 September. QSL via JH1AJT. [TNX JA1TRC]

+ SILENT KEYS + Recently reported Silent Keys include Amir Jaganjac (E75O), Thomas C. Meier (K7ZZ), Morris J. Young (KR5V), Gordon Leland (KU4EC), Milind "Micky" Korde (VU2IZO), N.G. Nanda (VU2NG), G. Scott Henninger (W8GS) and Henry "Harry" Burton (ZL2APC).

QSLs received direct or through managers: 3B9FR, 3C0E, 3C6A, 3D2RX, 4K6C, 5B4AFM/p (AS-120), 5N7M, 5T0SP, 5X8C, 6W/HA0NAR, 6Y5/G3SWH, 7P8D, 7T9A, 7X5KBS, 8Q7DV, 8Q7KP, 9L5MS, 9M2/OK1CZ, 9U1RSI, 9X0ZM, A92GR, AD5A/KL5 (NA-158), AP2MB, BV2DQ, C4W, C91LW, CP4DR, D2QR, D44TWO, D85C, DU9/JA1PBV (OC-175), E51EWP, E51M, ER4A, ES5G, ET3AA, EY7AD, EY8MM, FT5ZB, GS3PYE/p, H44AJ (OC-285), H44IND (OC-158), H44S (OC-285), HC2/KF6ZWD, HD8A, HP1WW, HV5PUL, IA5A (EU-028), J49C, J5NAR, J68HZ, J69MV, J75PX, JD1BMH, JT1CO, KH0XH, M8C, OH1VR/VP9, OJ0R, RI1ANU, SU8N (AF-109), T6LG, TM28UFT, TM6M, TO2D, TO5PX (NA-107), TS8TI (AF-083), TX5K, TZ6BB, V31IV, VK0TH, VK4SWE (OC-227), VR2XMT, VU7KV, VY0/VE3VID (NA-174), YB8RW/p (OC-236), YB8XM/p (OC-271), YE1Z, Z81X.

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******* CALENDAR *******
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Again this week, solar activity was unchanged, with average daily sunspot numbers slipping from 85.4 to 85, and average daily solar flux increasing 4.4 points to 111.7. Geomagnetic conditions were stable.

The latest solar flux prediction from USAF/NOAA has flux values of 125 on August 16, 130 on August 17-18, 120 on August 19-20, 110 on August 21-23, 105 on August 24, 110 on August 25-26, 115 on August 27-29, 110 on August 30, 105 on August 31 through September 6, then 110 and 115 on September 7-8 and 120 on September 9-11.

Predicted planetary A index is 12 and 8 on August 16-17, 5 on August 18-19, then 12 and 15 on August 20-21, 8 on August 22-23, 5 on August 24-30, then 12, 15, and 10 on August 31 through September 2, and 5 on September 3-7.

OK1HH issues his own weekly geomagnetic activity forecast, and he sees mostly quiet geomagnetic conditions August 16-17, quiet to active August 18, quiet on August 19, mostly quiet August 20, quiet August 21, active to disturbed August 22, quiet to unsettled August 23, quiet to active August 24, quiet to unsettled August 25-28, quiet August 29-30, active to disturbed September 1, quiet to unsettled September 2, quiet on September 3-5, mostly quiet September 6-8, active to disturbed September 9, quiet to active September 10, and active to disturbed September 11. OK1HH says "a positive storm phase" is expected August 22, and a growing solar wind may cause remarkable changes in the magnetosphere and ionosphere on August 16, and 21-22, and September 1-2, 6-7, and 11.

At 0318 UTC on August 16, the Australian Space Forecast Centre issued a geomagnetic warning, saying a high speed wind stream is spewing from a coronal hole. Unsettled to active geomagnetic levels are expected today, August 16, and minor storm levels are possible.

Scientific American has a 60 second podcast explaining why the changing magnetic polarity of the sun is nothing to worry about. Listen at http://www.scientificamerican.com/podcast/episode.cfm?id=solar-magnetic-field-flip-poses-no-13-08-15.

We get our solar flux data directly from the observatory in Penticton, British Columbia where they measure and report the numbers. It has been available at ftp://ftp.geolab.nrcan.gc.ca/data/solar_flux/daily_flux_values/fluxtable.txt but this week that server seemed unreachable. I poked around for quite some time and finally found the same data in html rather than plain text format at http://www.spaceweather.ca/data-donnee/sol_flux/sx-5-flux-eng.php.

Al Kaiser, N1API of Meriden, Connecticut asked, "If you have two flares at the same time from two different sunspot areas on the sun, do they add up to give a bigger class of flare, or just end up as one longer event?"

They are counted and rated separately. And if the flares are on different areas of the sun, they are probably pointing in different directions, so one or both might not affect earth.

Randy Crews, W7TJ of Spokane, Washington has long been fascinated by the idea that the current solar cycle 24 may turn out to have two peaks, like the last few cycles. He writes, "There have been several predictions that cycle 24 might have a second peak. Well maybe - maybe not. Cycle 21 had a definite single peak: November of 1979. Cycle 22 had two peaks: September of 1989 and January of 1991. Cycle 23 also had two peaks: April/July of 2000 and December of 2001. K9LA presented some interesting analysis regarding the declining magnetic strength of sunspots since 1995 and especially cycle 24." See http://myplace.frontier.com/%7ek9la/Looking_Ahead_To_Solar_Cycle_25.pdf

Randy continues, "Anyone who brings up a NASA photo of sunspots during Cycle 21-23 will see many large magnetically complex sunspots vs. Cycle 24's 'freckles' of small magnetically simple spots. So we MAY see a second peak IF the magnetic strength of the sunspots holds, or better yet increases. If not, a second peak is doubtful, and chances are the peak of activity has passed (as defined by the average monthly solar flux and average monthly sunspot count). The Sun is always full of surprises. During the CQWW Contest of October 2003 the solar flux punched up to 290!"

Ah, Randy, wouldn't that be nice to see again! In fact, your current author's stewardship of this bulletin began in 1991, not because of any particular expertise regarding astrophysics, but due to a similar sudden burst of solar activity, which happened to coincide with the former (and only other) author of this bulletin becoming too ill to write (see http://oldqslcards.com/W1HDQ.pdf). The event was Thursday, January 31, 1991 when the solar flux reached

357. Someone needed to write about this. I had no idea when I alerted folks in Newington that it would be me.

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service at http://arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals. For an explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin, see http://arrl.org/the-sun-the-earth-the-ionosphere. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at http://arrl.org/w1aw-bulletins-archive-propagation. More good information and tutorials on propagation are at http://k9la.us/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://arrl.org/propagation.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of ARRL bulletins are at http://arrl.org/bulletins.

Sunspot numbers for August 8 through 14 were 90, 51, 76, 90, 85, 98, and 105, with a mean of 85. 10.7 cm flux was 104.4, 103.6, 102.5, 110.4, 114.1, 122, and 125.2, with a mean of 111.7. Estimated planetary A indices were 5, 9, 6, 6, 6, 9, and 10, with a mean of 7.3. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 4, 11, 7, 7, 6, 9, and 9, with a mean of 7.6.
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21508. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-17 14:01:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21508

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:Issued: 2013 Aug 17 1203 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30817
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 17 Aug 2013, 1208UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 17 Aug 2013 until 19 Aug 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 17 Aug 2013 10CM FLUX: 120 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 18 Aug 2013 10CM FLUX: 120 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 19 Aug 2013 10CM FLUX: 115 / AP: 007
COMMENT: We expect solar activity to stay at eruptive levels with chances for C
class flares from NOAA ARs 1817 and 1818 and a slight risk for an isolated
M class flare. Geomagnetic conditions should be essentially quiet for the
next 48 hours.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 069, BASED ON 12 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 16 Aug 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 120
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 026
AK WINGST : 028
ESTIMATED AP : 029
ESTIMATED ISN : 066, BASED ON 24 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21509. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-18 14:01:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21509

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:Issued: 2013 Aug 18 1225 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30818
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 18 Aug 2013, 1208UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 18 Aug 2013 until 20 Aug 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 18 Aug 2013 10CM FLUX: 123 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 19 Aug 2013 10CM FLUX: 120 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 20 Aug 2013 10CM FLUX: 120 / AP: 012
COMMENT: NOAA AR 1818 produced a complex eruptive event on August 17, resulting in
two M flares within one hour: a M3.3 peaking at 1824 UT and a M1.4 peaking
at 1933 UT. This complex event was associated with a fast CME (~1000 km/s
as seen from COR2 A). The bulk of the CME appears to go essentially
westwards, with respect to the Earth, but we might cross the eastern flank
of this CME on the second half of August 20. The 10 MeV proton flux rose
slightly but didn't reach the event threshold. Flaring activity is expected
to remain at eruptive levels for the next 48 hours, with C class flares
likely from NOAA ARs 1818 and 1824, and a slight risk of an isolated M
class flare from AR 1818. We expect essentially quiet geomagnetic
conditions for the next 48 hours. There is a small chance of periods of
enhanced activity (unsettled to active) on the second half of August 20,
due to the CME of August 17.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 074, BASED ON 10 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 17 Aug 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 125
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 011
AK WINGST : 008
ESTIMATED AP : 008
ESTIMATED ISN : 071, BASED ON 18 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
17 1816 1824 1835 ////// M3.3 B 110 ///1818
17 1849 1933 1954 ////// M1.4 150 ///1818 I/2 1I/2V/1
END
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21510. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1124

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-18 20:43:48 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 21510 Message: 21510

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Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 11th-August, through Sunday, 18th-August there were 221 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3B9, 3V, 3W, 3X, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5A, 5B, 5H, 5R, 5T, 5W, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9V, 9X, 9Y, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C5, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E6, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FH, FK, FM, FO, FR, FS, FW, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, H40, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J6, J7, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ7, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S2, S5, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T7, TA, TF, TG, TI, TK, TL, TN, TR, TT, TU, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VP2E, VP2V, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XW, XZ, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, Z8, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD8, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS, ZS8

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

2013 MOST WANTED SURVEY (Now available on the DX Publishing Web site). Carl, N4AA, editor of "QRZ DX" and "The DX Magazine", reports that by popular demand many countries have been added to the survey for this year. Deadline for entry is October 15, 2013. To participate, fill out

the survey form at: http://dxpub.com/survey/survey2013.html
The results are usually published in the January-February 2014 issue of "The DX Magazine", and the world-wide results will be posted to the Web site around January 15th, 2012, as well. The breakdown by mode/Low Bands will be published in the Mar/Apr 2014 issue of the magazine.

3D2, FIJI (Also T33A News). Jay, AA4FL, announced on QRZ.com this past week [edited]: "I will be arriving in Fiji on October 30, 2013, in route to Tarawa with the final destination to Banaba Island for the T33A DX-pedition. I will also have a day to operate on the return leg, info to be posted. 3D2FL has been issued and I will have an ICOM IC-7000 with me. Operation will be 100w, most likely PSK31. See <www.t33a.com> for information about the Banaba DXpedition. On Banaba Island, I will also be providing dental (teeth) extractions for the local residents. Thank you to the Medical Amateur Radio Council (MARCO) <www.marco-ltd.org> and its charitable arm Medishare <www.medishare.org>, for support of this effort. Hope to work you!.... 73, Jay"
ADDED NOTE: Ann, WA1S, will also be active as 3D2AC from Fiji at the end of October on her way to join the T33A team. Activity will be on the HF bands. QSL via her home callsign.

9H, MALTA (Monkeys Invade Gozo Island?? [see QRZ.com]). Operators Rich/KE1B and Anna/W6NN will be active as 9H3MMM and 9H3NN, respectively from Gozo Island (EU-023) between August 21-26th. Activity will be holiday style on 40-10 meters, including 30/17/12m and using CW, SSB and RTTY. They expect to have InterNet access, and plan to upload logs to Clublog daily. You can check your QSO status and request a QSL card via the Online QSL Request System (OQRS). QSL via their home callsigns, direct and by the Bureau (see QRZ.com for details). All logs will be uploaded to LoTW and eQSL after the DXpedition (late August 2013).

9H, MALTA. Orazio, IT9DBF, will be active as 9H3BF on Malta (EU-023) between September 2-6th. Activity will be on 20 meters using a Yaesu FT-897D powered by a solar panel and battery. QSL via IT9DBF direct or eQSL via his main callsign.

9H, MALTA. Klaus, DD1AY, will once again be active as 9H3GK from the Dolmen Resort Hotel, Bugibba, St. Paul's Bay, Island of Malta (EU-023, MIA MM-001, WLOTA 1113) between November 13th and December 4th. This is his third visit' there. Activity will be on the HF bands using mainly SSB. His equipment is a FT-100 into MFJ Tuner and DX-Wire vertical antenna. QSL via his home callsign, direct preferred. For more info and pictures from his previous trips, check out his QRZ.com page.

9M2, WEST MALAYSIA. Mirek, VK6DXI, will once again be active as 9M8DX/2 from Kuala Lumpur between August 18th and September 3rd. Activity will be limited since this is a business trip, but he will operate after "working hours" on some CW during his local evening hours. QSL via SP5UAF.

C8, MOZAMBIQUE (Update to OPDX.1114/1115/1120). An international team of operators will be active as C82DX from Xai Xai (WW Loc KG64) between October 15-22nd. Operators' list has been updated and includes Bill/K1MM,

Doug/N1DG, Tom/N4XP, Kevin/K6TD, Charlie/NF4A, Ray/N9JA, Charles/W6OAT, Bruce/W6OSP, Tjerk/ZS6P (C91TJL), Pierre/ZS6PJH and Christian/ZS6RI. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. Suggested frequencies are available in OPDX.1114. QSL routes have now be announced. QSL via the OQRS by ClubLog (Highly Recommended/Preferred Method) to receive a QSL either direct and by the Bureau. To QSL direct via the mail, send it to: C82DX, Box 333, Bethlehem, GA 30620 USA [Please do not send IRCs. See details on their Web page]. They will not confirm QSOs via the eQSL system. The C82DX Web page is at: http://c82dx.com

CENTRAL AMERICAN TOUR. Look for Rick, AI5P, to be active from some of the following Central America countries throughout the month of September. His tentative schedule is as follows:
Panama - Callsign HP1/AI5P; between August 31st and September 6th
El Salvador - Callsign YS1/AI5P; between September 6-12th
Nicaragua - Callsign YN2PX; between September 12-23rd
Activity will be holiday style on the HF bands and mainly CW. QSL via his home callsign.

CY0P SABLE ISLAND DXPEDITION (Update). The following was posted on the CY0 DXpedition Web page, August 10th [edited]: "The intention remains to fly to Sable Island on September 30th, using Maritime Air, and bookings have been made for the aircraft and for local accommodations in Halifax for Murray and Rick prior to departure. Murray intends to focus on getting the VE1RGB and AI5P stations on the air on the day of arrival, likely using wires, and his own station up and running with Yagis on the second day. All but one of the beams have been received, pre-assembled, tuned and disassembled, and mono-band dipoles for 40M through 10M are on order from Amateur Radio Supplies. One telescoping fiberglass mast (39 feet) has been pre-rigged and will carry a 160M wire dipole fed with window line and driven by a K3 to operate on all bands. The second mast, an aluminum Army-surplus assembly, is on hand.
Marshalling of equipment continues in Halifax. Where possible, resources retained from previous CY0 DXpeditions are being re-used (e.g., masts) and to save shipping weights from the USA to Canada, other items of equipment (e.g., the back-up HF radio) are being loaned from Canada. Weight for this trip, like all DXpeditions, is a concern: total allowed weight for the Britten-Norman Islander aircraft is 1400 pounds, including passengers. Because of that □ and other than fresh fruit to combat scurvy (J) -- the team will attempt to exist on freeze-dried food.
Of interest to contesters, VE1RGB will be S&P in the California QSO Party on Oct. 5-6th, operating as VE1RGB/CY0 and sending the MR exchange: a contest multiplier; an IOTA (NA-063); and a DXCC entity with a single QSO! Other than that, based on antenna selections and equipment, it is anticipated that the VE1RGB station will focus on western EU and on NA while Murray and Rick will be more intent on Asia and other DX. It is expected that operations will be conducted 24/7.
The QSL Manager for CY0P will be VE1RGB. Since most of the logging will on paper (i.e., to save weight), LoTW, eQSL and ClubLog will not be supported. Direct QSLs will require 2 USDs to cover postage and QSL card

costs; otherwise, cards will probably be returned via the bureau, although there is now also a cost for that service from Radio Amateurs of Canada. A significant portion of the QSLs will be mailed from Canada; the remainder may be mailed from the US where postal rates are less onerous. Since this adventure is being privately funded, any additional contributions accompanying QSL requests will be gratefully received. To that end, it may be useful to point out that the round-trip charter air flight for Sable Island 2013 is $12,000 and accommodations on Sable are $300 per day per person. Operations from CY0 are not in-expensive. Please consider this fact in helping to offset the costs of QSL'ing. Thank you.
For additional information on some of our plans, see the 'upcoming' September issue of DX Magazine and/or the September issue of the Halifax ARC Reflector <http://www.halifax-arc.org/>. Check also on QRZ.com under AI5P, VE1RGB, WA4DAN and/or CY0P for updates, as well as this site, at <http://www.CY0dxpedition.com>."
Just a reminder that the DXpedition to Sable Island will take place between October 1-11th. Activity will be on 160-10 meter using CW, SSB and RTTY.

DAYTON HAMVENTION RTTY CONTEST DINNER TO RETURN IN 2014. It was reported this past week that after a 10 year absence, the Dayton RTTY Contesting Dinner will be back in 2014. It will take place on Thursday evening, May 15th, at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in downtown Dayton. Fred Dennin, WW4LL, reportedly will be the dinner's host, and they are currently trying to find a guest speaker and sponsors for door prizes for that evening. If you would like to help sponsor or donate a door prize, contact Fred at <fdennin@...>. Look for more details to be forthcoming.

DXCC NEWS. Bill Moore, NC1L, ARRL Awards Branch Manager, reports that the following operation is approved for DXCC credit:
Z81X ☐ Republic of South Sudan; 2013 Operation

NOTE: If you've had these rejected in a prior application, send a note to <bmoore@arrl.org> to be placed on the list for an update to your record. Also, please note the submission date and/or reference number where the rejection was noted to expedite the search for any rejected QSOs.

E4, PALESTINE. Peri, HB9IQB, has announced that he will once again be active as E44PM from Bethlehem in late August (specific dates were not provided). The license was renewed in April. He will be using his Elecraft K2 with 100 watts into wire vertical antennas. Logs will be uploaded daily to both LoTW and ClubLog. QSL via his home callsign, direct, by the Bureau or LoTW (preferred). Watch for updates on his Web site at: http://www.hb9iqb.ch/palestine.html

E6, NIUE. Adam, K7ST, is now active as E6ST from Niue (OC-040). The length of his stay is unknown at this time. Activity so far has been on 20 meters SSB, but he does have capabilities to operate on 40/20/17/15 meters. Adam is running 100 watts and a vertical. QSL E6ST via EA5GL. ADDED NOTE: Adam's next stop will be sailing to Tonga aboard the "SV Bravo". Read more about Adam's and his XYL Cindy, KF7UPI, sailing trip on the "SV Bravo" which

started from Seattle, Washington, in September 2010, with great photos
at: http://www.svbravo.blogspot.com

GD6, ISLE OF MAN. Chris, GM3WOJ (ZL1CT), will once again be active as
GD6IA from the contest station <http://www.gd6ia.com/> there during the
CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power
entry. QSL via GD6IA, direct only to: GD6IA, PO Box 1, PEEL City, Isle
of Man IM5 1XG, British Islands. No QSL Bureau - No eQSL - No LoTW.

IOTA NEWS.....
EU-125. Just a reminder that Dieter, DF2SD, will be active as OZ/DF2SD
from Fano Island (DIA NS-002, WWFF OZFF-004) until August 30th.
Activity will be holiday style on the 30/17/12 meter bands
only, using mainly RTTY and some SSB. QSL via his home callsign,
direct or by the Bureau.

NA-004/ Rick, K6VVA, will activate Crescent Island (NEW USI) next year
NA-172. (2014) between July 16-18th, and also activate Endeavor Island
(NA-004, USI AK-046S) between July 21-22nd. Activity from both
islands will be on the HF bands using mainly CW. QSL route to
be determined. For more information and updates, watch the
following at: http://www.k6vva.com/iota/na172
Twitter - http://twitter.com/k6vva

OC-108. Reports indicate that Anambas Island will take place during
mid-September after the YE5S activity (see OPDX.1121) .

OC-197. (Update) Adhi (Bimbo), YB3MM, will be active as YB3MM/p from
Bawean Island between August 24-25th. Operations may be post-
poned or cancelled depending on the weather. Activity will
be on 20 and 15 meters using a Kenwood TS-450 into monobander
beams. QSL via IZ8CCW, direct or PayPal. For updates, watch
his Web Blog page at: http://www.yb3mm.com

SA-054. (Update/Reminder) Members of the Grupo DX Caracas will be active
as YW5X from Orchila Island (ARLHS VEN-022, WLOTA 3044) between
August 20-26th. The YW5X will be active to commemorate the
2013 Venezuelan Navy Day during the month of August. The dates
will depend on Navy transport. Operators were announced via
DX-World.net. They are Edgar/YV2IF, YV2CAR, Jose/YV4GLD,
Homero/YV4DHS, Juan/YV4TEA, Juan/YY4KWB, Edgar/YY4ACU, VY5EED,
John/YV5IUA, Nelson/YV5JCN, Jhon/YV5KG, Federico/YV5NCZ,
Gregorio/YV5OK, Alfonso/YV5GPA, Vic/YV5ZV, Reinaldo/YV5AM,
Rojas/YV5LAY, jose/YV5JF, Ray/YV5EU, Edwin/YV5EN, Luis/YV5LFX,
Daniel/YY6DFF, Cesar/YV6CR and Reinaldo/YV8AD. QSL via DM4TI
only. Look for updates on QRZ.com.

J8, ST. VINCENT. A team of Polish operators will be active as J88HL from
St. Vincent Island (NA-025) between November 17-29th. Operators mentioned
are Bob/SP2EBG, Jan/SP3CYY, Jurek/SP3GEM, Wlodek/SP6EQZ, Janusz/SP6IXF,
Roman/SP9FOW and Wojciech/SP9PT. Activity will be on 160-6 meters with
a focus on the lower bands, and using CW, SSB and RTTY. They will at

least have three stations running 24 hours a day. Each one with a power amplifier. There will not be a team effort during the CQWW DX CW Contest, but possibly one operator will take part in the contest as a Single-Op/ All-Band entry while the others operate outside the contest on the WARC bands or SSB and digital modes. QSL via their OQRS (TBA). For more details and updates, visit their Web Page at: http://j88hl.dxing.pl

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (August 19-25th)....
Aug/19th AN Aug/22nd AN Aug/24th LN
Aug/20th AN Aug/23rd HN Aug/25th HN
Aug/21st AN

SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS/INDEXES AND GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE
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NORMALITY GEOMAG K Values Alpha
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AN - Above Normal Quiet K=0-1 0-7
HN - High Normal Unsettled K=2 8-15
LN - Low Normal Active K=3 16-29
BN - Below Normal Minor Storm K=4 30-49
DIS - Disturbed Major Storm K=5 50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed Severe Storm K=6-9 100-400

MAJOR IOTA 2014 DXPEDITION (Ops Needed!). Operators Fred/IK7JWX (Team leader) and Antonio/IK8VRH (Logistics) are looking for operators to participate in a major IOTA DXpedition to either Tanzania or Kenya in April of 2014. Islands mentioned in Tanzania are Zanzibar City [or Unguja] (AF-032 - 55%), Pemba Island (AF-063 - 30.3%) or Mafia Island (AF-054 - 30.0%). Island mentioned in Kenya is Lamu Island (AF-040 - 35.8%). If interested, contact Fred at: ik7jwx2003@...

PJ4, BONAIRE (Early Announcement). Dave, WJ2O, will be active from Bonaire (SA-006, WLOTA 1279, WWFF PAFF-024) between May 21-28th, 2014. Callsign was not mentioned (possibly PJ4/homecall), but his activity will include the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 24-25th) as a Single-Op/ All-Band/High-Power entry. Activity outside of the contest will be on all HF bands (possibly 6 meters) using mainly CW. QSL Via N2ZN.

PRESS RELEASE (Friedrichshafen, Germany). Wolf Harranth, OE1WHC, from the Amateur Radio Section of ORF (Austrian Broadcasting Corporation) and the Documentary Archives Radio Communications/QSL Collection, has informed OPDX that Top DXer Martti Laine, OH2BH, was a prominent Guest Speaker at the Friedrichshafen, Germany, Ham Radio, in June 2013. His keynote lecture, "Changing Times in DX Hunt", is now available ☐ slides and audio ☐ at: http://www.dokufunk.org/laine

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (For August 18th)

3Z5W via SP5KP EM70LI via UT3LI (d) PA800GTB via PA1BM
4L6QC via LZ1OT EN1025UB via UR5UB PJ4/PA7UL via PA7UL

7S0SFJ via SK0QO FK8GX via W3HNK PY2VA via I8LWL
8J1MTD via JA-(B) GB0NHL via GM0TKB R100RQA via RN1ON
8S6VAN via SM6JSM GB1DLH via GB1FBS R863LK via RV3LK
9A/HA8BE via HA8BE GB2CAS via MM5PSL (d) RA0/UR5HVR via UR5HVR
9M4LHJ via 9W2BUG (d) GB2ELH via MM5PSL (d) RW0AJ via W3HNK
9M4LHM via 9M8WAT (d) GB2LBN via GM4UYZ S521EB via S58Q
9M4LHO via 9M-(B) GB5PSL via 2E0ZDX S541EB via S5-(B)
9X0ZM via JO1CRA GN0LIX via MI0RGX S543EB via S5-(B)
AO8LH via EA8AKN HA75KBF via HA5KBF S544EB via S54G
AT13LH via VU2JHM (d) HF7BOL via SQ9NIU S546EB via S50E
C4I via LZ2HM (d) HL3/SQ9KWW via SQ9KWW (d/e) SD7V via DL2VFR
CQ7LW via CT1EWA HZ1XB via IZ8CLM SN0LIW via SP5SMY
CR5FB via CT2IUB II8LH via HB9FHZ (B);IK8YFU (d) SN16LH via SP1ZZ
CR5LSV via CT5KAO IP1T via IZ5JLF SP/DGOOME via DG0OME (d)
CR6FNA via CT1MH IQ3MB via IN3VVK SV5/LA9QJA via LA9QJA
CV1T via EA5KB IX1/IW1RLC via IW1RLC SV9/DF3MC via DF3MC
CV5A via CX2ABC (d) JH1GBZ via JH5GHM T40C via EA7FTR (d)
DK75FOC via DJ2BW KH0/K3BI via JJ3AZA TF/LX1NO via LX1NO
EA5/DL2OBT via DL2OBT KP4LH via KP4UNO TM57YL via F-11734
EA6/F6GIN via F6GIN LA/HF7BOL/M via SQ9NIU V31PA/p via DL1CW
EA8/DL7VOA via DL7VOA LX/PA7JWC via PA7JWC XV5HS via EA5ZD
ED2SPS via EA2SPS MJ0CTR via M0CTR YS1/NP3J via EA5GL
EG1CDT via EA1HNP (d) OI3V/LH via OH3KAV (B) ZA/YT5EA via YT5EA
EG8HKT via EA8RCK OO4IVU via ON4IVU ZM4B via ZL2BR
EH1LHA via EA1RKA OR5T via ON4ALY ZS6/OE1ZKC via OE1ZKC
EH7FDM via EA7DN OR9W/P via ON4CB
EI0M/p via EI6IZ PA25SCH/LH via PD2RKG
(e) eQSL only (d) direct only (B) Bureau only (L) LoTW only

CU3AA via direct, by the Bureau, eQSL or LoTW. Activity this past weekend during the ILLW was from Farol da Ponta da Serreta/Ponta da Serreta Lighthouse. Reference numbers are: ILLW PT-0029, ARLHS AZO-022, AFFA CUFF-083 (Área Protegida para a Gestão de Habitats ou Espécies do Planalto Central e Costa Noroeste), DPRN/WWFF CTFF-052, DMP 1901, DDFP AGH-017, DFP FAZ-014, DFFP FP-154, WCA CT-0369, DMHP AZ-021, DIA CU3, DIP AZ-003 and PIP AC-003.

HP2TP via HP1RCP. Members of RADIO CLUB OF PANAMA and PANAMA CANAL AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION activated Toro Point Lighthouse (PAN 021) during this past weekend's ILLW.

BOGUS ALERT. Rick, K6VVA, reports that someone posted a bogus cluster spot that had him operating as K6VVA/P5 on 20 meters.

VY2/VE1OTA via VE3EXY, direct or by the Bureau. Dana, VE1VOX, was operating from the West Point Lighthouse (CAN-524, IOTA NA-029) in this past weekend's ILLW.

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: DR1A, EA1PO, EB1TR, HV0A, JO1COV, PY0F/PP1CZ, RX6LG, V51YJ, V6B and VE3XN

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3C0E, 3C6A, 5X8C, 6Y5/G3SWH, 8Q7DV, 8Q7KP, 9X0ZM, D2QR, D64K, HD8A, HK1/F6BFH, J75PX, JT1CO, OJ0R, RI1ANU, TO5PX, TX5K, UK1PGO, VR2XMT, VU7KV, XW1B and XW4XR

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 3DA0NW, 4L6QC, 8P9UR, 8J1MORSE, 9J3A, 9U7T, A61C, A92IO, AL7HG, EN2012UEFA, EY8/K4ZW, FM5WE, FS/N0BSH, H44MX, HG2011N, HK3W, J28RO, JG8NQJ/JD1, K9AJ/VY0, KL7D, KL7/N6PG, KP2/K0BBC, KP4RV, LZ1620PPZ, LZ969SCP, MU/PA9M, NL7HH, OE2013Q, OE2013S, OG3077F, PJ2/AA1M, PJ2/K9WVB, PJ2/W8WTS, PJ7/K3TC, PJ7/WA1S, RP67NF, RW0BG/9, S9MX, SV5/LZ1WL, SV5/SM8C, T32AJ, TI5/K9NW, TU2SI, UN9L, V23BZR, V63HO, V63KZ, VO1/K5KG, VP2V/K9NW, W3HF/KH2, WL7WH, XF3/IZ2LSC, YC9BEC, YC9DD, Z60ID, ZA/LZ1UQ and ZF2JT

SV5, DODECANESE. Hans, ON6ZK, will be active as SV5/ON6ZK/P from Kos Islands (EU-001) between August 23-30th. Activity will be on 20 meters mainly. Watch 14170 kHz for SSB or 14050 kHz for CW. Equipment will be a FT-857 with 50 watts using a fishstick pole as a 1/4 vertical from the hotel balcony. QSL via ON6ZK, by the Bureau (preferred) or direct with SASE.

TM5, FRANCE (Special YL Event). It was announced that French YLs will be gathering in Sarayonne on August 24th. To celebrate this event, look for special event station TM5SIA to be active until that day. Activity will be on the HF bands and 2 meters. YL operators mentioned Aline/F4GPA, Christine/F4GDI, Maryse/F4HBC, Sophie/F4DHQ, Marie F5UAY and Brigitte/F4DPD and Danielle/F0GLR (2m op!). QSL via F5KCC or eQSL. For more details, see: http://www.ref-union.net/yls/fr/meeting-2013-fr

VP2M, MONTSERRAT. Alan, N3AD, will once again be active as VP2MMM during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. Activity will be from Gingerbread Hill in St.Peter's. Alan informs OPDX [edited], "I will arrive on Tuesday, November 19th and leave on Tuesday, November 26th. Since I have to assemble antennas there, I will not be on the air before Wednesday or possible Thursday. I will be active in the contest and will be on before the contest depending on how many snags I run into assembling antennas. Before the contest, I will stick with CW on 160-10 meters as at that time my goal is to test the station for the contest. On Monday after the contest, I do have to disassemble antennas, but will try to leave one wire antenna up and use it with tuner on some of the WARC bands - CW only." QSL via W3HNK.

W9DXCC DX CONVENTION (Update/Press Release). Jim, N7US, sent the following dated August 14th [edited]: "Thanks to those who have already registered for W9DXCC. For those who haven't registered, the cutoff for the discount hotel rate using the group code of 'W9D' is next Friday, August 23rd, and the pre-registration convention discount ends August 31st. The hotel's Web site is: http://www.hielkgrove.com
The list of W9DXCC speakers has been updated to those shown below. Please encourage your friends and fellow club members to join us for an outstanding convention. --- ANNOUNCING The 61st Annual W9DXCC Convention & Banquet, Saturday, September 21, 2013, Holiday Inn - Elk Grove Village, Illinois.
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Master of Ceremonies: Jim O☐Connell W9WU
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Propagation Update ☐ Cycle 24 Predictions ☐ Carl Luetzelschwab K9LA
H44AJ DXpedition to Sikaiana Atoll ☐ Mike McGirr K9AJ
NH8S Swains and 3D2C Conway Reef ☐ Craig Thompson K9CT
Amsterdam Is Preparations FT5ZM ☐ Jerry Rosalius WB9Z
Flag Antennas - an Update ☐ Gary Breed K9AY
Is 3 dB Worth a Divorce? ☐ Glenn Johnson W0GJ
20 Years of VooDoo Radio ☐ Lee Finkel KY7M
Northern California DX Foundation Update
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GRAND BANQUET AND PRIZES

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For further convention information, contact Kermit Carlson, W9XA,
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WEBINAR (2013 IARU Contest From ET3AA). Ken Claerbout, K4ZW, shares his
experience of operating the 2013 IARU Contest with students of the Addis
Ababa Institute of Technology from their club station ET3AA. Attendees
will see the history of ET3AA and preparation leading up to the contest.
This was the very first contest for many of the ET3AA students. See how
they did! As a bonus, Ken will share some secrets of breaking DX pile-ups
as learned from the DX side of things. Webinar date is Thursday, August
29th; Time - 9 PM EDT (Friday, August 30th - 01:00 UTC). The registration
link is: https://www2.gotomeeting.com/register/869327418

XP, GREENLAND. Henning, OU2I/OZ1BII, will once again be active as XP2I
from Kanger-lussuaq between November 21-24th. Activity will be CW only
on all HF bands. He will participate during the CQWW DX CW Contest
(November 23-24th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL via
LoTW. For more details and updates, see: http://www.oz1bii.dk/index.htm

XZ, MYANMAR. On short notice this past week, Zorro, JH1AJT, was active
from Nay Pyi Taw, on a mission for the Foundation for Global Children
(FGC), and received operating permission on August 13th from the Ministry
of Communications and Information Technology (MCIT) which is good until
September 12th. However, by the time you read this Zorro will be QRT on
Saturday, August 17th. The good news is that Zorro will return in early
September and sometime in November. Activity will be limited to his spare
time. He uses a TS-590 and two GPs, for 20 and 17m (watch 14250, 18125
and 18145 kHz). QSL via JH1AJT: Zorro Miyazawa, P.O. Box 8, Oiso, Naka-gun,
Kanagawa 259-0111, JAPAN.

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21511. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-19 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21511

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:Issued: 2013 Aug 19 1243 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30819
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 19 Aug 2013, 1208UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 19 Aug 2013 until 21 Aug 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Quiet conditions (<50% probability of C-class flares)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 19 Aug 2013 10CM FLUX: 130 / AP: 006
PREDICTIONS FOR 20 Aug 2013 10CM FLUX: 130 / AP: 023
PREDICTIONS FOR 21 Aug 2013 10CM FLUX: 130 / AP: 012
COMMENT: The strongest solar event of the past 24 hours was a C1.9 flare originating
from NOAA AR 1817 at 9h22 UT. We expect solar activity to stay at eruptive
levels with chances for C class flares mainly from NOAA ARs 1817, 1818
and 1824 and a small risk for an isolated M class flare. An increase in
the solar wind speed is expected due to the effects of the recurrent
equatorial CH high-speed stream. Enhanced geomagnetic activity is possible
(unsettled to active) for the next two days, in relation to the CH and
the possible arrival of the CME of August 17.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 091, BASED ON 16 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 18 Aug 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 126
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 010
AK WINGST : 008
ESTIMATED AP : 006
ESTIMATED ISN : 077, BASED ON 19 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
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21512. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-20 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21512

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:Issued: 2013 Aug 20 1231 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
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SIDC URSIGRAM 30820
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 20 Aug 2013, 1208UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 20 Aug 2013 until 22 Aug 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Active conditions expected (A>=20 or K=4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 20 Aug 2013 10CM FLUX: 128 / AP: 014
PREDICTIONS FOR 21 Aug 2013 10CM FLUX: 128 / AP: 020
PREDICTIONS FOR 22 Aug 2013 10CM FLUX: 132 / AP: 007
COMMENT: Flaring was eruptive featuring several C-class flares from NOAA active
regions 1818, 1819 and 1825. Two CMEs were observed in the past 24 hours.
The CME observed by LASCO/C2 on 19 August at 23h12 UT seems backsided and
is not geo-effective. The CME observed on 20 August at 8h12 UT is
associated to a large filament eruption. The CME travels with a speed of
600 km/s calculated based on STEREO data and goes mostly south of the
ecliptic plane. There is a chance that Earth will be affected by the
northern part of the CME structure, arriving late 23 August, possibly
resulting in active to minor storm conditions. Current geomagnetic
conditions are quiet to unsettled. Periods of enhanced geomagnetic activity
are possible (unsettled to active) for the next 48 hours, in relation to
the arrival of the equatorial coronal hole high speed stream and the CME of
August 17.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 084, BASED ON 14 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 19 Aug 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 128
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 009
AK WINGST : 006
ESTIMATED AP : 005
ESTIMATED ISN : 091, BASED ON 24 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21513. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-21 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21513

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:Issued: 2013 Aug 21 1240 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
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SIDC URSIGRAM 30821
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 21 Aug 2013, 1208UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 21 Aug 2013 until 23 Aug 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Active conditions expected (A>=20 or K=4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 21 Aug 2013 10CM FLUX: 135 / AP: 018
PREDICTIONS FOR 22 Aug 2013 10CM FLUX: 138 / AP: 008
PREDICTIONS FOR 23 Aug 2013 10CM FLUX: 138 / AP: 003
COMMENT: Solar activity was eruptive with a C2.2 flare as strongest flare
originating from NOAA AR 1828. A faint partial halo CME was observed in
LASCO/C2 around 5h00 UT which was confirmed by STEREO A and B data. It
seems to be associated to a small filament eruption located near S15E15,
observed in PROBA2/SWAP and GONG H-alpha data. The CME seems to be
travelling mainly to the east with a projected speed of 360 km/s. First
analysis suggests a possible arrival at 25 August at 9h UT, but this will
be further evaluated. We expect C-class flaring activity to continue. There
is a slight chance for M-class flares, especially from NOAA active regions
1820 and 1827 that currently have a beta-gamma configuration of their
photospheric magnetic field. ACE has observed a jump yesterday at 22h UT in
all the plasma parameters jump, but not the magnetic field. This seems to
be the arrival of the equatorial CH fast speed stream. Local K-index at
Dourbes currently is at K=3 and Kp went up to Kp=4, due to combined effects
of the fast speed stream and some influence of a flank of the CME of August
17, that possibly arrived at 2h this morning. Unsettled geomagnetic
conditions are expected to continue and return to quiet after 24 hours.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 095, BASED ON 13 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 20 Aug 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 132
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 012
AK WINGST : 004
ESTIMATED AP : 004
ESTIMATED ISN : 086, BASED ON 21 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
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21514. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-22 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21514

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:Issued: 2013 Aug 22 1224 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
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SIDC URSIGRAM 30822
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 22 Aug 2013, 1208UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 22 Aug 2013 until 24 Aug 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Active conditions expected (A>=20 or K=4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 22 Aug 2013 10CM FLUX: 125 / AP: 016
PREDICTIONS FOR 23 Aug 2013 10CM FLUX: 125 / AP: 006
PREDICTIONS FOR 24 Aug 2013 10CM FLUX: 128 / AP: 026
COMMENT: A C4.2 flare on 22 August at 5h00 UT was the strongest event of the past 24
hours. The flare originated from NOAA AR 1818, which is currently located
at the west limb. NOAA AR 1820 is the strongest candidate for further
C-class flaring, given it's magnetic complexity. There is a slight chance
for M-class flaring. No Earth directed CMEs were observed. Solar wind
speed as observed by ACE has evolved from about 460 km/s to 520 km/s with a
maximum of 580 km/s. The magnitude of the interplanetary magnetic field is
varying between 5 and 10 nT, with a fluctuating Bz component between -5 and
+5 nT. Current geomagnetic conditions are unsettled to active; with both K
at Dourbes and estimated NOAA Kp making excursions to K=4. Geomagnetic
activity is expected to return to quiet levels in the next few hours. A new
increase to active levels is predicted on 23 August in the afternoon due to
the arrival of the CME of 20 August. On 24 and 25 August we expect effects
of the CME of 21 August, combined with some minor influence of a fast speed
stream from two small coronal holes, one in the southern hemisphere that
just past the central meridian and another low latitude in the northern
hemisphere currently at a central position.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 095, BASED ON 13 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 21 Aug 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 130
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 037
AK WINGST : 024
ESTIMATED AP : 023
ESTIMATED ISN : 100, BASED ON 22 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
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21515. ARLD034 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-23 01:09:36 UTC
From: jjreisert@...
Topic: 5842 Message: 21515

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To all radio amateurs

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NEPAL, 9N. Satish, 9N1AA has been QRV on 20 meters around 0100z and 15 meters around 0730z. QSL via N4AA.

BAHRAIN, A9. David, A92IO is generally active on 30 meters between 0130 and 0300. He is also active on 80 to 4 meters, including 60 meters. QSL via operator's instructions.

JUAN FERNANDEZ ISLAND, CE0. Mario is QRV as CE0ZEL and is here for six months. Activity is as time permits. QSL via CE3RAC.

PALESTINE, E4. Peri, HB9IQB is QRV as E44PM from Bethlehem until August 31. Activity is on the HF bands and 6 meters. QSL to home call.

NIUE, E6. Adam, K7ST is QRV as E6ST. His length of stay is unknown. Activity is generally on 40, 20, 17 and 15 meters using SSB. QSL via EA5GL.

FRENCH POLYNESIA, FO. Jean-Marc, F5LCI is QRV as FO/F5LCI from Hao Atoll, Tuamotu Archipelago, IOTA OC-066, until November 8 while with the local military unit. He is active on 40 to 10 meters using QRP power on CW and JT65-JT9. QSL direct to home call.

GALAPAGOS ISLANDS, HC8. Geoff, G8OFQ is QRV as HC8/G8OFQ from Isabella Island, IOTA SA-004, until the end of September. Activity is on 40 to 10 meters generally during 2200 and 0600z and during the weekends. QSL to home call.

PERU, OA. Arno, DL1CW plans to be QRV as OA1/DL1CW near Tumbes from August 26 to September 2. Activity will be on the HF bands using

only CW. QSL to home call.

NETHERLANDS, PA. Special event station PF31CAVENTE will be QRV from August 27 to 30 from a holiday camp for kids in Vaassen. They will be active on 40, 20 and 10 meters using RTTY and PSK. QSL via PA7HPH.

BANGLADESH, S2. Rana, S21R is QRV from Dhaka and is here for one month. He is active on the HF bands. QSL via N4VA.

POLAND, SP. Special event station 3Z45MFFZG is QRV until August 31 during the 45th International Folklore Festival in Zakopane. QSL via SP9PTG.

DODECANESE, SV5. Hans, ON6ZK is QRV as SV5/ON6ZK/p from Kos, IOTA EU-001, until August 30 while on holiday. Activity is on 20 meters using CW and SSB. QSL to home call.

COTE d'IVOIRE, TU. Dimitri is QRV as TU5DF until October 31 and has been active on 15 meters using CW around 1330z. QSL via F5SWB.

INDONESIA, YB. Adhi, YB3MM will be QRV as YB3MM/p from Bawean Island, IOTA OC-197, on August 24 and 25, weather-permitting. Activity will be on 20 and 15 meters. QSL via IZ8CCW.

VENEZUELA, YV. A group of operators are QRV as YW5X from Orchila Island, IOTA SA-054, until August 26 to commemorate the 2013 Venezuelan Navy Day. QSL via DM4TI.

COUNTRY NAME CORRECTION. As listed in DX News ARLD033, the T40C operation in the ILLW from the Roncali Lighthouse, ILLW CU-0002, took place from Cuba, not Chile.

OPERATION APPROVED FOR DXCC CREDIT. The following operation has been approved for DXCC credit: Angola, D2CT, 2013 operation.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The Hawaii QSO Party, QRP CW Fox Hunt, NCCC RTTY Sprint, NCCC CW Sprint Ladder, SCC RTTY Championship, YO DX HF Contest, Kansas QSO Party, QRP ARCI Welcome to CW QRP, Ohio QSO Party, CVA DX SSB Contest and the SARL HF CW Contest are all on tap for this weekend. The SKCC CW Sprint and CWops Mini-CWT CW Test are scheduled for August 28. Please see August QST, page 73 and the ARRL and WA7BNM contest web sites for details.
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21516. Report SIDC Ursigram

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Date: 2013-08-23 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21516

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:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
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# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30823
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 23 Aug 2013, 1208UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 23 Aug 2013 until 25 Aug 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Minor storm expected (A>=30 or K=5)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 23 Aug 2013 10CM FLUX: 130 / AP: 015
PREDICTIONS FOR 24 Aug 2013 10CM FLUX: 124 / AP: 017
PREDICTIONS FOR 25 Aug 2013 10CM FLUX: 120 / AP: 023
COMMENT: Several minor C-class flares were observed by GOES, mainly originating from
NOAA AR 1820 and 1828. A CME observed in LASCO/C2 on 22 August at 8h36
travels mainly southward and will likely miss the Earth. C-class flaring
is expected to continue for the next 24 hours. Solar wind speed as
observed by ACE is around 500 km/s. The magnitude of the interplanetary
magnetic field is near 5 nT, with a mainly negative Bz component. Current
geomagnetic conditions are unsettled. A new increase to active levels is
predicted later today due to the arrival of the CME of 20 August. On 24 and
25 August we expect active to minor storm levels (K possibly up to 5) due
to the arrival of the CME of 21 August, combined with some minor
influence of a coronal hole fast speed stream.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 094, BASED ON 14 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 22 Aug 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 132
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 021
AK WINGST : 018
ESTIMATED AP : 018
ESTIMATED ISN : 097, BASED ON 19 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
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21517. 425 DX Calendar - #1164

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
******* CALENDAR *******
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PERIOD CALL REF
till 24/08 9A/DO7DP: Rab Island (EU-136) 1162
till 24/08 OZ/DL2SBE: Lolland Island (EU-029) 1162
till 25/08 AE1C/VE9: Grand Manan Island (NA-014) 1162
till 25/08 OZ6SYL: special event station 1163
till 25/08 TM0SM: St Marcouf (EU-081) 1157
till 26/08 6V7O: Senegal 1162
till 26/08 9A/IZ3GNG: Korcula Island (EU-016) 1162
till 26/08 9H3MMM and 9H3NN: Malta (EU-023) 1163
till 26/08 YW5X: Isla La Orchila (SA-054) 1162
till 30/08 OZ/DF2SD: Fano Island (EU-125) 1161
till 30/08 SV5/ON6ZK/p: Kos Island (EU-001) 1163
till 31/08 EA8/G7COD: Gran Canaria (AF-004) 1159
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till 12/09 HC2IOH: Ecuador 1160
till 20/09 OO: special prefix (Belgium) 1159
till 15/09 JG8NQJ/JD1: Minami Torishima (OC-073) 1161
till 15/09 UE80RWW: special event station 1161
till 30/09 HC8/G8OFQ: Galapagos Islands (SA-004) 1164
till 30/09 SN150PS: special callsign 1157
till October T6MH: Afghanistan 1125
till 08/11 FO/F5LCI: Hao Atoll (OC-066), French Polynesia 1164
till November RU0ZM/0: Russian District KT-13 1155
till 15/12 C91GBA: Mozambique 1155
till 15/12 JW9JKA: Bear Island (EU-027) 1153
till 31/12 4A1TD: special callsign 1143
till 31/12 9A280-9A289: special prefixes (Croatia) 1156
till 31/12 DL50FRANCE: special station 1131
till 31/12 DS4DRE/4: Hajo Island (AS-060) 1150
till 31/12 EI13CLAN: special callsign 1130
till 31/12 Gx100C: special callsign 1134
till 31/12 Gx100RSGB: special callsigns 1130
till 31/12 HA1973BA: special callsign 1148
till 31/12 HA30S: special callsign 1136
till 31/12 HB30OK: special callsign 1130

till 31/12 OU1RAEM: special callsign 1130
till 31/12 RI1ANP: Progress Station (Antarctica) 1132
till 31/12 S5300TP: special callsign 1130
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till Dec 2014 6O0LA: Somalia 1145
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24/08 KT3Q/7: Vashon Island (NA-065) 1164
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25/08 OZ/SP7VC: Sjaelland Island (EU-029) 1159
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August RV3EFH/0: Bolshevik Island (AS-042) 1139
August S5##EB: special callsigns 1163
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20/09-26/09 3D2GC: Viti Levu (OC-016), Fiji 1157
20/09-24/09 A43MI: Masirah Island (AS-014) 1162
20/09-06/10 IB2PDT: special callsign 1153
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September GW3KHZ/p: St Tudwal's Islands (EU-106) 1164
September RV3EFH/0: Bolshevik Island (AS-042) 1139
September S5##EB: special callsigns 1163
September TU5DF: Cote d'Ivoire 1153

September V5/DF3GY, V5/DF2UU and V55V: Namibia 1163
September YE5R: Anambas Island (OC-108) 1164
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03/10-17/10 TO2TT: Mayotte (AF-027) 1155
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3B8 - Darren, G0TSM will be active holiday style as 3B8/G0TSM from Mauritius Island (AF-049) on 18-28 September. He hopes to operate SSB, CW and RTTY for 2-3 hours a day, running 100 watts into simple wire antennas on 40-10 metres and a 2-element quad on 6 metres. The log will be uploaded to LOTW and Club Log during the holiday. As for QSLling, please use the OQRS on Club Log for bureau or direct cards, and refrain from sending paper QSLs. Also requests for bureau cards can be made via email (daz[@]g0tsm.com). [TNX G0TSM]
3B9 - Verona DX Team's members Lucio I3LDP, Walter I3VJW, Alex IK5MIC, Rony IZ3KIF and Ilario IZ3STA will be active as 3B9EME from Rodrigues Island (AF-017) on 2-13 September. They will operate CW, SSB and digital modes on 160-6 metres with two stations, as well as EME on 50, 144 e 432 MHz. QSL via I3LDP. Further information at http://www.ari.verona.it/veronadxteam/3b9_2013.htm.
9A - Jan, PA4JJ will be active holiday style as 9A/PA4JJ from Porec (Croatian mainland) from 26 August to 4 September. Expect him to operate mainly digital modes. QSL via home call (OQRS on www.pa4jj.nl (http://www.pa4jj.nl)). [TNX PA4JJ]
9M2 - The Malaysian Special Expedition Team (http://9m2se.blogspot.com) will be active again as 9M2SE from Indah Island (AS-074) on 31 August until 9 UTC on 1 September. The activity is in celebration of the 56th anniversary of Malaysia's indipendence. They will operate CW and SSB on 40-10 metres, running 100 watts into a vertical and a tribander yagi. QSL details on qrz.com [TNX 9M2PJU]
BY - CAMSAT (AMSAT China) will hold "a big DX party" from the outskirts of the city of Dunhuang in northwestern China (Zone 23, WWL NM79aw) on 19-28 October. Alan, BA1DU and a very large group of operators coming from all over the country will be active with four well equipped stations: one for 2 and 6 metres, one for 70 centimetres and two for 160-10 metres. Meteor Scatter and EME activity will be emphasized (this will include participation in the ARRL EME Contest), as well activity on the low bands. Special callsign BJ9TA will be used for operating above 50 MHz and on the low bands, while BY9GA/9 will be used for the other bands and for participation in the CQ WW SSB Contest. QSL via BA1DU. [TNX BA1DU]

EA - Manolo, EA5HJY will be active on SSB and digital modes as EG5VCE during the 68th Vuelta Ciclista a Espana, the long distance road bicycle race (Tour of Spain) to be held from 24 August to 15 September. QSL via bureau to EA7HBC.
EA - Gabriel, EA3AKA and Manel, EA3EGB will be active as EF3EGB from the Medas Islands (EU-078) from 30 August to 2 Septmber. They plan to operate SSB, CW and RTTY on the HF bands and 6 metres with two stations. QSL via EA3EGB. [TNX rsgbiota.org]
FO - Jean-Marc, F5LCI is working on Hao Atoll (OC-066), French Polynesia until 8 November. He operates QRP as FO/F5LCI on 40-10 CW and JT65-JT9. QSL direct to home call. [TNX The Daily DX]
GW - Derek, G3KHZ and Steve, G4EDG operated from St Tudwal's West Island (EU-106) back in May 2006. Since then the owner of this private island has not allowed anyone to visit. "We are pleased to announce that the two of us have been given special permission to make a repeat trip", Derek says. "Dates are not finalised yet but we will probably be QRV for 3 or 4 days commencing around 6 September". Expect GW3KHZ/p to be a CW only operation. QSL via G3KHZ. [TNX G3KHZ]
HC - Mauro, IZ1DPS is active as HC/IZ1DPS from Ecuador until January 2014. So far he has been QRV on 20, 17 and 15 metres CW. QSL via IK2DUW.
HC8 - Geoff, G8OFQ is active as HC8/G8OFQ from the Galapagos Islands (SA-004) until the end of September. He operates SSB only on 40-10 metres, "between 22.00 and 06.00 UTC during the week and long during the weekends". QSL via home call. [TNX The Daily DX]
I - The Calabria DX Team will be active as II8LH from the lighthouses at Capo Spartivento on 24 August and at Capo Trionto on the 25th. QSL via HB9FHZ (bureau) or IK8YFU (direct), LoTW and eQSL.
J3 - JA1MZL (AE6AU), JH1ROJ (KG8XV), JJ1LIB (N1GO), JN1RVS (K6NAO) and JN3NFQ (K1GI) will be active from Grenada on 21-29 November. They plan to operate CW, SSB and digital modes on 160-10 metres, and to participate in the CQ WW CW Contest. "We are negotiating with NTRC to obtain the special event call sign for our operation", Isao JH1ROJ says. A dedicated website is under construction. QSL via JA1HGY (OQRS to be activated on Club Log) and LoTW. [TNX JH1ROJ]
JY - Jovica, E78A (ex 6W1SJ, 9K2/T94FC, ST0RM, ST2A, T94FC, T98A, TT8JT) is now active as JY9FC from Amman, Jordan. He operates mainly CW with sine SSB and digital modes during his spare time. QSL via E73Y, direct or bureau (OQRS to be activated on Club Log). [TNX E73Y]
PA - Fred, PA1FJ will be active as SV8/PA1FJ/p from Chios Island (EU-049) from 29 August to 9 September. He will operate QRP on 40-6 metres SSB and CW. QSL via bureau to home call. [TNX rsgbiota.org]
PA - Look for Marcel, PD5MVH to be active on the HF bands as PD5MVH/p from Schiermonnikoog Island (EU-038) from 31 August and 14 September. QSL via home call, bureau or direct. [TNX VA3RJ]
VE - Bodo, DF8DX will be active as VE7/DF8DX from Bowen Island (NA-091) on 25-26 August. He will operate CW only. QSL via DF8DX. [TNX

rsgbiota.org]
W - Bodo, DF8DX will be active as KT3Q/7 from Vashon Island (NA-065) on 24 August. He will operate CW only, loof for him around 14040 kHz. QSL via DF8DX. [TNX rsgbiota.org]
YB - Reportedly Kadek, YB9BU might be active as YB9BU/8, along with YB8RW/p and YC8TM/p, from Gangga Island (OC-236) between 30 August and 2 September.
YB - The schedule for a few forthcoming IOTA operations from Indonesia looks a bit fluid.
* On 17 August JN6RZM reported that after the operations from IOTA groups OC-122 (YE5T, 28 August - 1 September) and OC-109 (YE5S, 4-8 September) [425DXN 1162], YB5NOF had plans to be active from Anambas Island (OC-108) around mid-September.
* On 20 August Imam, YB4IR reported on qrz.com that he and a team from ORARI will be active as YE5R from Anambas Island (OC-108) on 15-20 September.
* On 23 August YB5NOF told JN6RZM that, owing to transportation issues, the new itineary should be OC-122, then OC-108 followed by OC-109.
Keep an eye on JN6RZM's blog (http://jn6rzm.cocolog-nifty.com/) and on the DX cluster!
YB - Look for YF1AR/9, YB0AI/9 and YB3MM/9 to be active from Kimaam Island (aka Pulau Yos Sudarso, Pulau Dolok, Pulau Dolak, Kolepom Island and Frederik Hendrik Island), claimed to qualify for the Irian Jaya's Coastal Islands South group (OC-275, new one for IOTA) on 10-16 September. They will operate SSB, CW and digital modes on 40-10 metres, with two stations running 100 watts and one station running 1 kW. QSL YF1AR/9 via N2OO, QSL YB0AI/9 via home call (direct), QSL YB3MM/9 see qrz.com. Further information at www.yf1ar.com (http://www.yf1ar.com) [TNX YF1AR]

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**** GOOD TO KNOW ... ****
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5C0CE ---> The 20-21 August 5C0CE activity [425DXN 1161] has been blocked at the last minute by Moroccan authorities, F6FQK reports. The reason is unknown. This was expected to be an operation organized by the Council of Europe Radio Amateur Club in partnership with the Association Royale des Radio-Amateurs du Maroc.

9M6DXX GOING QRT ---> "After more than eight years in Malaysia, my wife Eva, 9M6EVA, and I have decided to move on to another part of the world. We leave Malaysia on 1 November, therefore 9M6DXX will go QRT some time in October. 9M8Z has already closed down; the last QSO from that station was made in the RSGB IOTA Contest in July. We will be moving to Bonaire and we hope to be active with PJ4 callsigns before the end of the year". [TNX 9M6DXX/G4JVG]

CLUB LOG OQRS SURVEY ---> The results from the survey about bureau cards and online QSL requests [425DXN 1159] are now available on G7VJR's website at http://g7vjr.org/2013/08/club-log-oqrs-survey-results/

DXCC NEWS ---> D2CT (Angola, 2013 operation) has been approved for DXCC credit. [TNX NC1L]

DXPEDITION OF THE YEAR POLL ---> The Clipperton DX Club's "DXpedition of the Year" poll for 2012-13 is now open until 8 September at http://wp.cdxc.org/. The operations selected for the poll are those supported by the Club and with at least one CDXC member in the team. [TNX F5CWU]

TX5K ---> "The QSL manager has informed me that the goal date for TX5K LoTW upload is 1 October". [TNX KY6R]

VK5CE/P ---> Craig, VK5CE has posted a day by day account and a few pictures of his recent activity as VK5CE/p from Flinders Island (OC-261) on his blog (http://oc261.blogspot.com.au/). QSL via home call, direct or bureau.

XZ1Z ---> The logsearch and OQRS for the 13-16 August operation from Myanmar are now available on Club Log. 2313 QSOs were made on 20m (1356) and 17 (957) metres SSB.

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******* QSL ROUTES *******
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CALL MANAGER CALL MANAGER CALL MANAGER
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3B8FA NI5DX EH7FDM EA7DN PY2VA I8LWL
3Z2LH SQ2WHH EI0CAR EI4JR R100RQA RN1ON
3Z3P SQ9PPO EI0LHL EI4GXB R290ECH RD9CX
4A1TD XE1GZU EJ4INIS EI8DD R290ELE RX9CBS
4K20RO 4K6RO EJ9FBB EI9FBB R290EOC RU9CZ
4L6QC LZ1OT EK6TA DJ0MCZ R290EOR RU9CK
4O7CC UA4CC EM110U US5UFF R290EVI RV9CQ
5T0JL ON8RA EM70LI UT3LI R290EZH RW9CC
6V7O F8DFP EN1025UB UR5UB R70DON R6MI
7S0SFJ SK0QO EN1IFF UR3IQT R70TAR RW6MK
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8S6VAN SM6JSM GB2CAS MM5PSL RO70NC UA6LUF
8S7GL SK7CA GB2ELH MM5PSL RO70RO RL6LP

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9H3NN W6NN GC0OBS G4WMH S521EB S58Q
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9M4LHN 9W2PD HC2SL HD2A SN2NP SP2BIK
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AO8LH EA8AKN HP3AK W4JS T40C EA7FTR
AT13LH VU2JHM HS0ZGD LA7JO T49C K8SIX
C31CT EA3QS HV0A IK0FVC T6MH W2GR
C5WP ON7WP HZ1PS IZ8CLM TM0LHG PA0HEL
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CQ7LW CT1EWA KH0/K3BI JJ3AZA V31MA M0OXO
CR5FB CT2IUB KP4LH KP4UNO V31PA/p DL1CW
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CV1T EA5KB OU1RAEM DF5LW XV5HS EA5ZD
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D7G 6L0NJ OZ6SYL OZ7AGR YF1AR/1 N2OO
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EG8HKT EA8RCK PJ2/IW1FC IZ1MLQ ZM4B ZL2BR
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21519. ARLP034 Propagation de K7RA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-23 21:20:52 UTC
From: jjreisert@...
Topic: 5860 Message: 21519

SB PROP @ ARL $ARLP034
ARLP034 Propagation de K7RA

ZCZC AP34
QST de W1AW
Propagation Forecast Bulletin 34 ARLP034
>From Tad Cook, K7RA
Seattle, WA August 23, 2013
To all radio amateurs

SB PROP ARL ARLP034
ARLP034 Propagation de K7RA

Solar activity picked up this week, with average daily sunspot numbers for August 15-21 up nearly 42 points (forty-nine percent) to 126.9, when compared to the previous seven days. Likewise, average daily solar flux increased from 111.7 to 126.3.

The latest prediction from USAF/NOAA has solar flux at 130, 125, 120, and 115 on August 23-26, 110 on August 27-29, 105 on August 30, 95 on August 31 through September 1, 100 on September 2, 105 on September 3-4, 110 on September 5-8, 115 on September 9-11, 120 on September 12-13, and 125 on September 14-16. It then drops below 100 to 95 again on September 27-28.

Predicted planetary A index is 15, 25, 20, 12, and 8 on August 23-27, 5 on August 28-30, then 12, 15 and 10 on August 31 through September 2, 5 on September 3-9, then 10, 15 and 18 on September 10-12, 8 on September 13-14, then 5, 15, 22, 12 and 8 on September 15-19 and 5 on September 20-26.

OK1HH predicts in his geomagnetic activity forecast that August 23-24 will be active to disturbed, quiet to active conditions on August 25, quiet to unsettled August 26, mostly quiet August 27-29, quiet August 30, active to disturbed August 31 and September 1, quiet to unsettled September 2, quiet September 3-5, mostly quiet September 6-7, quiet September 8-9, quiet to active September 10-11, active to disturbed September 12-13, quiet September 14, mostly quiet September 15, quiet September 16, quiet to active September 17 and active to disturbed September 18.

On Saturday, August 17, 2013 the Penticton observatory recorded solar flux values of 123.2, 149.7 and 129 at 1700, 2000 and 2300 UTC. The local noon value at 2000 UTC is always reported as the official flux value for the day, but NOAA reported it as 125 instead of 149.7. They do this when the noon number appears to be an outlier caused by overload of the 2.8 GHz receiver used to produce

these numbers. I suspect the overload was caused by a significant and long duration M3 class solar flare, erupting from sunspot 1818 at 1824 UTC.

The NOAA estimate is produced by selecting a number somewhere between the morning and afternoon readings.

A look at the weekly Preliminary Report and Forecast for August 5, 2013 (see http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/weekly/pdf/prf1979.pdf) shows the most recent prediction for smoothed sunspot numbers peaking in January and February 2014.

The Arizona Daily Star ran an interview with Matt Penn, the astronomer who predicted the possible disappearance of future sunspots based on weakening solar magnetic fields. Read it at http://azstarnet.com/news/science/don-t-flip-out-about-the-sun/article_ce93e4cf-0178-51bf-882e-fee8e5e8de91.html.

David Dary, W5ZAX of Norman, Oklahoma sent in an interesting article about a different method for tracking the complexity of the solar magnetic field. It posits that the sun may be more active than it appears. Read it at http://www.universetoday.com/104023/is-the-sun-more-active-than-it-looks-an-innovative-method-to-characterize-the-solar-cycle/.

Note they give a link to the original journal article. You may be able to access the article in the Astrophysical Journal online for free via an account at your local public library.

Roland Anders, K3RA of Elkridge, Maryland reports on August 19: "15 meters continues to be fantastic into Indonesia from 8 am until past 1 pm EDST. Besides the many strong YB stations, in the past several days during the 1300 to 1745Z time period on 15 I've worked JA, BY, BV, 9M2, 9M4, V8, 9V, HS, 4S, VU, and UN. And the EU signals are crushingly loud! But when 15 is that good to EU, it is a clue to try 12 meters. I've found 12 open in the morning hours several times in the last week. Today, I called CQ on 12 (dead band) and worked 2 IT9 stations at 12:45Z. After some more CQs with no answers, I returned to 15. I'm sure 12 was open to EU from time to time during the morning -- maybe all morning, but I didn't get back to 12 until 1612Z."

"For the next hour I worked DX over a wide area: Starting with a walloping signal from CU8AS, I then worked stations as far North as TF and east to SV and HZ. But the biggest surprise was at 1644 when I worked YB0NFL S9 over the North Pole. Arif worked a lot of EU and NA DX over the half hour or so--that's 12 meters at midnight Jakarta time! And, there were a couple of EU stations heard on 10 meters when 12 was open. So, it seems like we're getting into fall conditions on 12 and 10 meters. This much maligned sunspot cycle has a lot to offer!"

Later he wrote: "Went back to 12 meters at 2100Z, and the band was wide open to EU. Some stations VERY loud. Then, at 2130Z I heard JAs answering an LU CQ, so I call CQ with beam to JA and worked seven JAs, several very strong. Viva 12!"

Laurence, GJ3RAX from the Isle of Jersey sent this in: "I have been following the discussions on this solar cycle and the question of whether there will be a second peak. Looking at the graphs of the previous ones I interpret them as all having a second peak even if it is not as well defined as in the more recent 2 cycles. Obviously the graphs do show that the second peak is normally weaker than the first one. The shape of the present one looks as if that trend is going to be followed although it is often dangerous to make such assumptions."

"You have probably seen the same predictions that I have suggesting that Cycle 25 will be even weaker and some think it could be virtually flat. Looking at the historical information it does seem to do that about every 100 years."

"The conditions on the HF bands have been so poor with my rather minimal antenna system that I have not been able to resume skeds with my friends in the USA and Canada. Those used to be mainly on 17 meters. Instead we have been catching up in person when some of my friends have come over here to visit me! That is partly why I have now gone back on the VHF and UHF bands instead."

"From what I can recollect of the recent cycles I think that the best conditions each time on the 6 meter band have been during the second peak rather than during the first one. This year I have been using a rather low gain log periodic antenna covering 50 MHz to 1,300 MHz. Photos are on my QRZ.com entry. I have had QSOs with 39 countries on 6 meters so far this year and all were on SSB. I keep thinking I should learn Morse or try some of the digital modes. Most of those have been within Europe and North Africa (EA8, EA9 and CT3). On the second of this month I was on during the only transatlantic opening I have caught this year. I worked VE1YX and five in the USA. My radio on 6 meters is the IC-756 Pro 2."

"A few weeks ago I got back on the 4 meter band after an absence of about 30 years. There are now many more countries on the band than when I was first on. My score this year is now 11 countries although I could have got a lot more if I had been on earlier in the Sporadic E season. I am using a Spectrum transverter, with 20 watts out, driven by an FT-817."

"On 2 meters I have had 9 countries, 70 cms 7 countries and 23 cms 5 countries this year all using an IC-910X. Last year I was able to work into Germany on all three of those bands during November when I had just got back on those bands. I have worked Germany this year on 2 meters. I am hoping to be able to get more on the list when the Tropo season starts which is usually in October."

"Earlier this year I joined the Yahoo group for the microwave bands, http://groups.yahoo.com/group/ukmicrowaves/ . That one is very interesting but I later realized that I could not find a suitable one for the lower VHF and UHF bands so I recently started one - http://groups.yahoo.com/group/VHFandUHF/ . That group now has 69 members and seems to be growing nicely. We already have 3 members in the USA so maybe we will get more from your part of the world soon."

Thanks, Laurence! Many readers may be unfamiliar with the 4 meter amateur band at 70 MHz, which is used in Europe but not North America. Some links to information on 4 meters: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/4-meter_band, http://www.70mhz.org/, and http://g1efu.webs.com/4meters.htm.

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service at http://arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals. For an explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin, see http://arrl.org/the-sun-the-earth-the-ionosphere. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at http://arrl.org/w1aw-bulletins-archive-propagation. More good information and tutorials on propagation are at http://k9la.us/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://arrl.org/propagation.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of ARRL bulletins are at http://arrl.org/bulletins.

Sunspot numbers for August 15 through 21 were 129, 104, 96, 134, 161, 115, and 149, with a mean of 126.9. 10.7 cm flux was 122.7, 119.9, 125, 126.1, 128.3, 131.5, and 130.4, with a mean of 126.3. Estimated planetary A indices were 15, 23, 7, 6, 5, 5, and 18, with a mean of 11.3. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 15, 27, 9, 8, 6, 5, and 13, with a mean of 11.9.
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21520. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-24 14:01:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21520

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:Issued: 2013 Aug 24 1232 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30824
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 24 Aug 2013, 1208UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 24 Aug 2013 until 26 Aug 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Quiet conditions (<50% probability of C-class flares)
GEOMAGNETISM : Minor storm expected (A>=30 or K=5)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 24 Aug 2013 10CM FLUX: 118 / AP: 024
PREDICTIONS FOR 25 Aug 2013 10CM FLUX: 120 / AP: 028
PREDICTIONS FOR 26 Aug 2013 10CM FLUX: 122 / AP: 006
COMMENT: Solar activity was very low, featuring only 2 C-class flares (C1.0 and
C1.4), with a source region near NOAA AR 1830. All active regions were
quite stable. Solar activity is expected to be low, with a slight chance
for C-class flares. No Earth directed CMEs were observed. ACE observed a
small shock in the solar wind data at 00h00 UT this night, indicating the
arrival of a CME, possibly that of 20 or 21 August. Solar wind speed
currently is around 500 km/s. The magnitude of the interplanetary magnetic
field had a maximum of 9 nT, with a Bz component fluctuating between +5 and
-5 nT. Current geomagnetic conditions are unsettled. We expect unsettled
to minor storm levels for the next 48 hours, related to the CME arrival,
possibly combined with some minor influence of a coronal hole fast speed
stream.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 051, BASED ON 04 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 23 Aug 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 124
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 019
AK WINGST : 018
ESTIMATED AP : 018
ESTIMATED ISN : 094, BASED ON 22 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21521. PJ2/GI0RTN

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-25 00:15:09 UTC
From: Alek Petkovic
Topic: 21521 Message: 21521

Ok experts, I'm lookin' for clues here.

I worked PJ2/GI0RTN on CW in November, 2007, for what is now a deleted country. Although it is deleted, I would still like to get it confirmed.

I looked up all the usual sites, including qrz.com for his qsl info. It all seems to agree but the trouble is, he is no longer at the listed address. My letter with enclosed card, envelope and greenstamps came back to me, unopened. Also, there is no reply from any of the email addresses I could find for the man.

Anybody got any clues?

73, Alek
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21522. Re: [DX-IS] PJ2/GI0RTN

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-25 00:27:35 UTC
From: iain macdonnell - N6ML
Topic: 21521 Message: 21522

On Sat, Aug 24, 2013 at 5:15 PM, Alek Petkovic <vk6apk@...> wrote:
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Looks like he's active on Twitter and FaceBook:

https://twitter.com/gerrylynch
https://www.facebook.com/gi0rtn

Ask him there, if you can? Another possibility is his parents' address - see:

http://www.qrz.com/db/?callsign=g0rtn

since it appears he's currently living in Salisbury, England.

73,

~iain / N6ML

21523. Re: [DX-IS] PJ2/GI0RTN

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-25 00:47:33 UTC
From: Buzz Jehle
Topic: 21521 Message: 21523

Try G0RTN in QRZ.com Good Luck, 73 Buzz N5UR ex G4VHD

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On Aug 25, 2013, at 12:15 AM, Alek Petkovic <vk6apk@...> wrote:

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73, Alek
VK6APK

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Hampers by Hand. www.facebook.com/hampersbyhand

21524. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-25 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21524

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:Issued: 2013 Aug 25 1128 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
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SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 25 Aug 2013 10CM FLUX: 112 / AP: 014
PREDICTIONS FOR 26 Aug 2013 10CM FLUX: 110 / AP: 002
PREDICTIONS FOR 27 Aug 2013 10CM FLUX: 110 / AP: 004
COMMENT: Flaring activity is very low. The X-ray background radiation is situated
at the B-level. Solar wind speed has decreased to around 400 km/s. The
magnitude of the interplanetary magnetic field is at 10 nT, with a
negative Bz component. Current geomagnetic conditions are unsettled, which
are expected to continue or increase to active levels during the next few
hours.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 036, BASED ON 07 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 24 Aug 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 117
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 009
AK WINGST : 010
ESTIMATED AP : 009
ESTIMATED ISN : 052, BASED ON 08 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21525. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1125

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-25 19:14:06 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 21525 Message: 21525

SB DX @ WW < KB8NW $OPDX.1125
Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin No. 1125

The Ohio/Penn DX PacketCluster
DX Bulletin No. 1125
BID: $OPDX.1125
August 26, 2013
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 18th-August, through Sunday, 25th-August there were 224 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3B9, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4X, 5A, 5B, 5H, 5R, 5T, 5U, 5V, 5W, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9X, 9Y, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C2, C3, C5, C9, CE, CE0Z, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E6, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, ER, ES, EU, EX, EY, F, FG, FH, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FR, FS, FW, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, H40, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HC8, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J6, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JY, K, KH0, KH2, KH6, KH9, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PY, PY0F, PZ, S2, S5, S7, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T5, T7, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TR, TT, TU, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V6, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK9N, VP2E, VP2V, VP6, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XW, XZ, YA, YB, YI, YK, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, Z8, ZA, ZB, ZD7, ZD8, ZL, ZP, ZS, ZS8

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

3B8, MAURITIUS. A few sources report that Darren, G0TSM, will be active as 3B8/G0TSM from between September 18-28th. Darren will be there on holiday, so activity will be limited to 2-3 hours per day on 40-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. His equipment is an IC-7000 with wire antennas

for 40-10m and a 2 element Quad on 6m. Participation in the CQWW DX RTTY Contest (September 28-29th) will be very limited due to his return flight time. Darren states [edited], "Please do not send me any paper QSL cards, either direct or via the Bureau. Please use the OQRS feature on ClubLog to request Bureau or direct cards. Also, requests for Bureau QSL cards can be made via E-mail. The log will be uploaded to LoTW and ClubLog during the holiday."

5C0, MOROCCO (Special Event Cancelled). The "Council of Europe Radio Amateur Club" (CERAC - TP2CE) was expected to team up with the "Association Royale des Radio Amateur du Maroc" (ARRAM) to activate the special callsign 5C0CE between August 20-21st, but the operation was cancelled by the ARRAM's President 16 hours before the CERAC team was to leave for Morocco. Francis, F6FQK, one of CERAC's Administrative Personal, informs OPDX that they received the Moroccan licence many months ago and the Radio Amateurs from Morocco have been preparing for this operation since last year with a lot of enthusiasm. There has been no direct details and/or motive received on behalf of the ARRAM's President about any problem. Francis believes that this incident is very damaging to the ham radio community. Also, the members of the CERAC team, who were expected to participate in the event, personally funded this expedition (train, fly etc), and now it's too late to recover their paid expenses.

9M6DXX & 9M8Z GOING QRT. Steve, 9M6DXX, informs OPDX: "After more than eight years in Malaysia, my wife Eva, 9M6EVA, and I have decided to move on to another part of the world. We leave Malaysia on November 1st; therefore, 9M6DXX will go QRT some time in October. 9M8Z has already closed down; the last QSO from that station was made in the RSGB IOTA Contest in July. We will be moving to Bonaire, and we hope to be active with PJ4 callsigns before the end of the year. Thanks for all the QSOs from 9M6DXX and 9M8Z (also 9M6DXX/P, 9M8Z/P, XU7DXX, V8FEO, V85/9M8Z, FK/G4JVG, T32MI / CI / VI / SI, 4W6A, GD4JVG and 9M4SLL) since 2005. It's been fun! 73, Steve, 9M6DXX"

AFRICAN TOUR. Nick, G3RWF, has announced that he will once again be active as 5X1NH from the University of the Mountains of the Moon (MMU) in Fort Portal, Western Uganda and (occasionally) the capital, Kampala, between September 24th and November 16th. He is expected to join/meet with Alan, G3XAQ/5X1XA, later and both operators will travel to Rwanda to be active as 9X0NH between November 19-29th. The duo plan to participate in the CQ WW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) from Rwanda. QSL 5X1NH and 9X0NH via G3RWF. QSL 5X1XA via G3SWH.

BY, CHINA. The "425 DX NEWS" reports that CAMSAT (AMSAT China) will hold "a big DX party" from the outskirts of the city of Dunhuang in northwestern China (Zone 23, WW Loc. NM79aw) between October 19-28th. Alan, BA1DU, and a very large group of operators coming from all over the country will be active with four well equipped stations: one for 2 and 6 meters, one for 70 centimeters and two for 160-10 meters. Meteor Scatter and EME activity will be emphasized (this will include participation in the ARRL EME Contest), as well activity on the low bands. Special callsign BJ9TA will

be used for operating above 50 MHz and on the low bands, while BY9GA/9 will be used for the other bands and for participation in the CQ WW SSB Contest. QSL via BA1DU.

CASTLE/FORTRESS ACTIVITY.....
* Tumasch Fortress - The members of Radio Club "Delta" were expected to be active as EM7UT starting August 24th through the 27th. Reference numbers: WCA UR-00215, UCFA KO-010, URDA KO-22, URA 048, and WW Loc. KO50gd located near river of Stugn in Starye Bezradich, Obukhov area. Activity will be on all HF bands using CW and SSB. QSL via UR7UT, by the Bureau or direct.

* Chateau le Manor de La Croix Sainte Marthe - Operators Fabien/F4GYM and Denis/F4GTT will be active as F4GYM/P and F4GTT/p on August 28th with activity on 40 and 20 meters SSB. Reference numbers: WCA F-06046 and DFCF 77-188. QSL via their home callsigns, by the Bureau or direct.

* Schlos Waln - Eddy, ON6EF, was expected to be active as DL/ON6EF/P on August 25th. Reference numbers: WCA DL-03552 and COTA-RU KAB-036 located near Cologne. QSL via his home callsign, by the Bureau or direct. Log will be uploaded to WCA E-Log.

* Caserma Cantine di Gandria - The members of Insubria Radio Club (IQ2IR) were expected to be active as HB9IRC/P on August 25th. Reference numbers: WCA HB-00910 and DCS-SSD TI-075 located in Lugano. QSL via HB9OCR, only by Bureau.

* Alexandrovsky Kremlin - Operators Dmitry/RA3VLD, Alexander/RA3VMD, Alexander/RA3VMX, Andrej/RW3VZ, Yuri/UA3VLO, Mikhail/UA3VLT and possibly others were expected to be active as R500AK on August 24th. Reference numbers: WCA UA-00078 and COTA-RU C-315 located near Vladimir City. The special callsign R500AK is to celebrate the 500th anniversary of Alexandrovsky Kremlin. QSL via RK3VWA, by the Bureau or direct.

COLLINS' SPECIAL EVENT. Members of the various Rockwell Collins Amateur Radio Clubs in various locations will be active during the last to weekends of September (September 21-23rd and September 28-30th), to celebrate the 80th year anniversary of the incorporation of Collins Radio. Look for the following stations to will participate:
N0CXX Cedar Rapids, IA
W0CXX Cedar Rapids, IA
W5ROK Richardson, TX
W4CRC Melbourne, FL
W6CXX Tustin, CA
Operations will begin from 9:00 AM to Midnight "local time" for each station, based on operator availability. A special QSL card for the event is available for all stations (same design). A certificate is available for those who working 3 or more club stations on any combination of band/mode. All QSL and certificate requests for ALL stations will be handled through N3SL. Operations will be on non-WARC bands only. On CW, listen for "CQ CR80". On SSB, listen for "CQ Collins Radio 80th Anniversary Special Event". For more details on the operation and QSL in-

structions, see: http://www.w0cxx.org

D4, CAPE VERDE. Barry, M0DGQ, will once again be active as D44TXP from Sal Island (AF-086) between August 27th and September 11th. Activity will be on 40 and 20 meters CW only. QSL via M0URX, direct, by the Bureau or via the OQRS <see: http://www.m0urx.com/oqrs>.

DXCC NEWS. Bill Moore, NC1L, ARRL Awards Branch Manager, reports that the following operation is approved for DXCC credit:
D2CT - Angola; 2013 Operation

FS, ST. MARTIN. John, K9EL, will once again activate FS/K9EL from St. Martin (NA-105, DIFO FS-001, WLOTA 0383, WW Loc. FK88) between November 19-28th. Activity will be on 160-10 meters, and he plans to participate in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/ High-Power entry. He informs OPDX that he will spend some time on 160m outside the contest and also do some RTTY on a couple of days outside the contest. Daily uploads to ClubLog and LoTW are planned. QSL via his home callsign.

HC8, GALAPAGOS ISLANDS. Geoff, G8OFQ, is now active as HC8/G8OFQ from Isabella Island (SA-004) until the end of September. Activity is on 40-10 meters using SSB only. QSL via the info on QRZ.com.

II8, ITALY (LH Op!). Members of the Calabria DX Team were active as II8LH this past week from the Cape of Arms Lighthouse (ARLHS ITA-014, CL-008 WAIL) and the Cape Trionto Lighthouse (ARLHS ITA-191, CL-015 WAIL). Look for them again this coming weekend (August 31st) from the Scilla Light-house (ARLHS ITA-050, CL-006 WAIL). QSL via the Bureau to HB9FHZ (USKA Bureau). QSL via IK8YFU direct. E-QSL Authenticity is guaranteed. Also LoTW. For more info, see: http://www.calabriadxteam.it

IOTA NEWS.....
AS-037. Makoto, JI5RPT, will be active as JI5RPT/6 from (Kami & Shimo) Kamikoshiki Islands between September 7-8th. Activity will be on the HF bands (usually 40-6 meters) using CW and the Digital modes. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

EU-052. Operators Hansi/DL1AOB, Dieter/DL1AWD, Ralf/DL3JJ, Dan/DL5SE, Felix/DL6JF, Lu/DL8ALU, Eddy/DM5JBN and Rich/DK8YY will be active as SW8YY (especialy during the contest or possibly as SV8/homecall) from Zakynthos Island (GIOTA INS-015, MIA MG-138, WLOTA 0209) between October 17-29th. Their activity will include the Worked All Germany Contest [WAG] (October 19-20th) and the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th). Their operations will be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. QSL SW8YY via DH7WW, direct, by the DARC Bureau or LoTW and direct. ClubLog and its OQRS will also be used. Possible dates can be seen at:
http://dl6jf.weebly.com/dxpeditions---where-do-we-go-next.html

AS-074. Members of the Malaysian Special Expedition Team will be active as 9M2SE from Pulau Indah, and will also celebrate 56th anniversary of Malaysia's Independence Day between 0000z, August 31st and 0900z, September 1st. They will be looking for DX stations to share their anniversary's celebration and fun. Their operating equipment will be a 100 watts transceivers, a vertical antenna and a tribander yagi. Activity will be on 40-10 meters using CW and SSB. For details on QSLing, please visit their QRZ.com page.

EU-049. Just a reminder that Fred, PA1FJ, will once again be active as SV8/PA1FJ/p, but this time from the Chios Island (GIOTA NAS-002, MIA MG-025, WLOTA 4103) between August 29th and September 9th. Activity will be on 40-6 meters using CW and SSB and CW. Fred will operate QRP using a FT-817 with a Buddi-Stick/HighEndfed antenna. QSL is preferred via the Dutch QSL Bureau (Box 330, NL-6800 AH Arnhem, The Netherlands).

EU-078. Operators Manel/EA3EGB and Gabriel/EA3AKA will be active as EF3EGB from Medas Island (WFF EAFF-189, DIE E-001, FEA E-0472, WLOL SPA-161 and WLOTA-0793) between August 30th and September 2nd. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. Suggested frequencies are listed on QRZ.com. QSL via EA3EGB direct only; by the Bureau "ONE YEAR LATER".

EU-106. Operators Derek/G3KHZ and Steve/G4EDG will once again activate St. Tudwal's West Island (EU-106) sometime in September around the 6th, for 3-4 days. It was last activated in May of 2006. This is a privately own island, and the owner has not allowed anyone to visit. The expected callsign will be GW3KHZ/p, and this will be a CW operation only. QSL via G3KHZ.

NA-119. Operators Mike/AB5EB, Dragan/K0AP and Hector/XE2K/AD6D will be active as K5T from Timbalier Island, in the Louisiana State Centre (Terrebonne Parish) Group, between October 11-13th. Activity will be on the HF bands using CW and SSB. QSL via AB5EB, direct or by the Bureau.

OC-108. It has now be confirmed that a DXpedition to Anambas Island will take place between September 15-20th, after the YE5S/YE5T activity (see OPDX.1121). No other details have been provided.

OC-197. The plans of YB3MM/P from Bawean Island on August 24-25th has been CANCELLED due to weather problem (no ship).

OC-275. (New IOTA) Operators Budi/YF1AR, Fan/YB0AI, Bimbo/YB3MM and Joppy/YB8XM will be active as homecall/9, while operators YC9XOZ, Joni/YB9WZJ and Lucky/YD9RQX will be signing homecall/p from Kimaan Island (ARLHS IDO-148) in the South Papua Coastal IOTA group between September 10-16th. This island has never been activated before. Activity will be on 40-10 meters using mainly SSB, but with some CW and the Digital modes. A special QSL card will be designed. QSL YF1AR/9 via N2OO. QSL all others via their

home callsign. For more details and updates, see:
http://www.yf1ar.com/2013/08/oc-275-south-papua-coastal-new-iota.html

IOTA PACIFIC TOUR CONTINUES (Update). Ralph, H44RK, continues to be active as H40IOTA from Temotu Province on Swallow Islands (OC-065). Activity has be on 40/20/15 meters SSB. Reports indicate that he hopes to be active from the "Vanikolo and Utupua Islands Group" (OC-163) during or within the next week once a suitable QTH is found. His length of stay is not known, but after his OC-163 operation, Ralph will head to Vanuatu (YJ) and operate as YJ0RK as well as activate a few more IOTAs. The "DX-World.net" reports that he will activate Torres (OC-110) and Banks (OC-104). No set dates on the YJ-IOTA activations, but the "SV Hafskip" will be sailing Vanuatu waters for the next 2 months, then heading to New Caledonia. QSL H40IOTA and YJ0RK via NR6M.

J3, GRENADA (Update). Operators Clarence/WX7E, Ron/WJ7R, Mike/W7RIS, Mike/W7MJJ, Terence/KS5Z and possibly two more operators are planning to be active from Grenada (NA-024, WLOTA 0718) during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th) as a Multi-2 entry. They are still working on the callsigns and licensing. Clarence, WX7E, informs OPDX that they will be arriving on Wednesday evening, October 23rd, which gives them two days to get everything ready. They will be staying for three days after the contest to look around the island. The team will work 160-10 meters during the contest. Activity before the contest on Thursday and Friday will probably be on CW - most likely on 40, 20, 15 and 10 meters. QSL via LoTW.

J3, GRENADA. Operators Takayuki/JA1MZL (Team Leader), Yutaka/JJ1LIB, Nao/JN1RVS, Masayuki/JN3NFQ and Isao/JH1ROJ will be active from Grenada (NA-024, WLOTA 0718) between November 21-29th. The callsign for the contest and non-contest activity to be determined. Activity will include the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) as a Multi-? entry. Activity outside of the contest will be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via JA1HGY. Log will be uploaded to ClubLog and a OQRS will be available after their DXpedition. Log will be uploaded at a later day for LoTW. Also, Web page is in the works and will be soon announced.

JY, JORDAN. Jovica, E78A (ex-6W1SJ, 9K2/T94FC, ST0RM, ST2A, T94FC, T98A, TT8JT) is now active as JY9FC from Amman. Jovica has been working in Amman for the UNHCR (United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees) for almost two years but just received his license. Most likely he will stay there for another three years. As during his previous activities, activity will be during his free time mostly on CW with some SSB and Digital operations. QSL via E73Y: Boris Knezovic, P.O. Box 59, 71000 - Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina, or via E7 bureau. Clublog OQRS will be activated after first logs are received from Jovica.

PJ2, CURACAO. Sivano, IW1FC, is now active as PJ2/IW1FC from Curacao Island (SA-099) until August 30th. Activity so far has been on 20 and 10 meter SSB. QSL via IZ1MLQ.

PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (August 26th-September 1st)....
Aug/26th AN Aug/29th AN Aug/31st HN
Aug/27th AN Aug/30th AN Sep/01st LN
Aug/28th AN

SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS/INDEXES AND GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE
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NORMALITY GEOMAG K Values Alpha
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AN - Above Normal Quiet K=0-1 0-7
HN - High Normal Unsettled K=2 8-15
LN - Low Normal Active K=3 16-29
BN - Below Normal Minor Storm K=4 30-49
DIS - Disturbed Major Storm K=5 50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed Severe Storm K=6-9 100-400

*** ADDED NOTE: Has anyone heard or seen from Lee, KH6BZF? Your
editor has been sending him E-mails for two weeks and has not
received an answer......

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (For August 23rd)

5B/LZ2HM via LZ2HM HA21WFF via HA6PJ OX/DF2UA via DF2UA
7S5LH via SM5ZCI HB0/DJ2IA via DJ2IA PJ2/IW1FC via IZ1MLQ
8S7GL via SK7CA HC2AO via RC5A R290ECH via RD9CX
CE2SQE via EA5KB HK6DOS via EA7FTR RO70EL via RZ6LY
CM3DSE via RW6HS (d) JY9FC via E73Y S539EB via S5-(B)
CN2LW via HB9EOU KH0/W5SEA via W5SEA (L/e) SN0ROZ via SP2GCE
CQ7GIL via CS1AAM L33M via LU3MAM SN330VW via SP9KJU
CT7/RC2A via RC2A LA/R9DA via R9DA T6/K5WEJ via K5WEJ
E720ZRHB via E77E LV5V via LU5VV (d) TM0LHG via PA0HEL
EG8HKT via EA8RCK LY777A via LY5A XV9NPS via JA2NPS
(e) eQSL only (d) direct only (B) Bureau only (L) LoTW only

LoTW SOFTWARE UPGRADE. It was announced on August 21st, that the
"Trusted QSL 1.14.3" is now publicly released and available at:
http://www.arrl.org/trusted-qsl-download
Also announced, "Trusted QSL 2.0" is now in Beta test and available
at: http://www.arrl.org/trustedqsl-beta-release
The "TQSL 2.0" release notes are available at:
http://www.arrl.org/files/file/TrustedQSL-Beta/TrustedQSL-2-0-release.pdf

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 5W1SA, CO7WT, DJ8QP, DS2XUM, EA7IPP, HS0ZEE,
HV0A, JD1BHA, P29NO, SA6G/7, TA2/DL7BC, ZK3N and ZL6LH

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: FO/UT6UD

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: RN3DN, R7AA and Z81X

S2, BANGLADESH. Rana, S21R, is once again operating from Dhaka, but this
time for one month. Activity so far has been on 20 meters SSB, but his
QSL Manager will be encouraging him to operate on other bands as well.

Rana will operate with 100 watts and an Inverted V. QSL via his manager Larry, N4VA.

T32, EAST KIRIBATI. Tim, NL8F, will be active as T32TM from East Kiribati between November 27th and December 11th. However, during his second week there he may possibly join up with the T32RRC team. More details on this is forthcoming. QSL via K8NA.

TX5, AUSTRAL ISLANDS (Update). Operators Grant/KZ1W and Rob/N7QT will be operating as TX5D from Raivavae Island (OC-114) on an Elecraft/SteppIR/WWDXC sponsored DXpedition between October 2-14th. They will be using the new CrankIR portable antenna system from SteppIR, as well as Elecraft K3 transceivers and KPA500 amplifiers. Their operational base will be two bungalows located on the north side of Raivavae Island, and less than 20 feet from the Pacific Ocean. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK. Log will be updated daily to Clublog <www.clublog.org> with QSOs data/history; internet bandwidth permitting. QSL available via LoTW, eQSL, by the Bureau, or direct (SASE + IRC).

V6, MICRONESIA. Operators Hiroo/JA2VWG and Seihachi/JA7LU will be active as V63DDD and V63LU, respectively, from Pohnpei Island (OC-010) between September 4-16th. Activity will be on 40-6 meters using SSB and RTTY. QSL direct only to their home callsigns (see QRZ.com for details). No Bureau QSLs.

VP9, BERMUDA. Operators George/K3GP, Ray/ND8L and Jamie/WW3S will be active as VP9/homecall from Ed/VP9GE's QTH between September 26-30th. QSL via their home callsigns, direct or LoTW. Their activity will include an entry in the CQWW RTTY DX Contest (September 28-29th) as VP9I. QSL VP9I via WW3S only. Outside of the contest and conditions permitting, look for them on all bands, but with an emphasis on the 30/17/12 meter bands.

XZ, MYANMAR. It was reported by a few sources that Zorro, JH1AJT, who was active as XZ1X from Nay Pyi Taw last week and was expected to return in September, has now postponed his return until October/November.

XZ, MYANMAR. "DX-World.net" reports/indicates that "a 'multi-national DXpedition' to Myanmar is being planned. No firm word on dates yet, but an announcement will be made very soon."

YJ, VANUATU. Tug, JA2ZS, will lead a team of four JA operators and will be active as YJ0ZS from the Iririki Island Resort, Port Villa, between November 1-11th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via JA2ZS. No other details were provided.

YN, NICARAGUA. Mike, AJ9C, will once again be active as YN2CC from Granada, Nicaragua, between November 19-27th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. Also, Mike will be in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) as a Sinlge-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL via LoTW or direct to his home callsign.

ZD8, ASCENSION ISLAND (Update). Operators Oliver/W6NV, Olof/G0CKV and Jorma/OK2KI will be active as ZD8W, ZD8M and ZD8X, respectively, from Ascension Island (AF-003) between November 19-21st. Activity will include the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th) with each operator as a Single-Op/Single-Band entry: ZD8M on 40m, ZD8W on 15m and ZD8X on 10m. Look for activity outside of the contest on the HF bands and 6 meters. QSL via their home callsigns.

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OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):
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http://www.facebook.com/NorthernOhioDxAssociation

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21526. moderator

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-25 23:41:53 UTC
From: dchamguy@att.net
Topic: 6012 Message: 21526

never mind my spelling--
please email me off the reflector
thanks
Dale K8TS
dchamguy at att. net

21527. E44

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-26 12:47:57 UTC
From: dale cole
Topic: 21527 Message: 21527

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Dale K8TS

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21528. Re: E44

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-26 13:49:40 UTC
From: Paul
Topic: 21527 Message: 21528

I think you are still OK. E44PM was just spotted on 14.275 MHz. I worked him a few days ago on 20 CW and he confirmed it that evening on LoTW.

Good luck, Dale!

73, Paul VE1DX

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21529. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-26 14:01:05 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21529

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:Issued: 2013 Aug 26 1218 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
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SIDC URSIGRAM 30826
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 26 Aug 2013, 1208UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 26 Aug 2013 until 28 Aug 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Quiet conditions (<50% probability of C-class flares)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 26 Aug 2013 10CM FLUX: 113 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 27 Aug 2013 10CM FLUX: 113 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 28 Aug 2013 10CM FLUX: 114 / AP: 007
COMMENT: There are currently 4 numbered AR on the solar disk, C-class (or higher)
flaring is unlikely. Solar wind speed is around 350 km/s and the
interplanetary magnetic field Bz component is around -3 nT. Geomagnetic
conditions are quiet and are expected to remain so for the next 48 hours.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 029, BASED ON 12 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 25 Aug 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 113
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 011
AK WINGST : 008
ESTIMATED AP : 008
ESTIMATED ISN : 033, BASED ON 12 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21530. Re: [DX-IS] E44

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-26 14:37:38 UTC
From: iain macdonnell - N6ML
Topic: 21527 Message: 21530

ADXO says until Sept 7th, but I don't know if that's accurate.

GL!

~iain / N6ML

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21531. RE: [DX-IS] E44

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-26 14:46:38 UTC
From: KQ8M
Topic: 21527 Message: 21531

I just saw a spot out of Europe on 14275.

73,

Tim Herrick, KQ8M

Charter Member North Coast Contesters

kq8m@...

AR-Cluster V6 kq8m.no-ip.org

User Ports: 23, 7373 with local skimmer, 7374 without local skimmer

Server Ports: V6 3607, V4 Active 3605, V4 Passive 3606

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of iain macdonnell - N6ML
Sent: Monday, August 26, 2013 10:38 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] E44

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21532. Re: [DX-IS] E44

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-26 16:11:41 UTC
From: dale cole
Topic: 21527 Message: 21532

Thanks Tim!
There is a God! Kool......maybe, just maybe, the props will check in also!

Dale K8TS

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From: KQ8M <kq8m@...>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
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21533. Re: [DX-IS] Re: E44

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-27 01:52:39 UTC
From: dale cole
Topic: 21527 Message: 21533

He is now on 40m at 7015 (0147z), qrm, qsb, cops, etc, but I hope to work him b4 he is gone. Any band, any mode, I just don't have an E44. I'm on vacation so that helps. 100 watt/vertical does't. But thats' what it's all about. Not the metal, but whats' between the headphones!

Dale K8TS

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From: Paul <list_dx@...>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, August 26, 2013 9:49 AM
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: E44

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21534. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-27 14:01:09 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21534

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:Issued: 2013 Aug 27 1206 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
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PREDICTIONS FOR 28 Aug 2013 10CM FLUX: 110 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 29 Aug 2013 10CM FLUX: 108 / AP: 007
COMMENT: Solar activity has been low with no C-class flares in the past 24 hours.
There is a very small chance for a C-class flare from AR NOAA 11835.
Solar wind speed is at around 340 km/s and the interplanetary magnetic
field Bz component increased to around -7 nT. Geomagnetic conditions
where quiet and are expected to remain so for the next 48 hours. A new
coronal hole is connected to Earth with possibly a fast solar wind stream
and this will result in a current sheet crossing. The estimated arrival
time of this high speed stream is around August 30th and might result in
active geomagnetic conditions.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 040, BASED ON 15 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 26 Aug 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 111
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 013
AK WINGST : 006
ESTIMATED AP : 005
ESTIMATED ISN : 029, BASED ON 18 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21535. Limited Supply

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-28 08:55:14 UTC
From: K1XN
Topic: 21535 Message: 21535

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ATTEND This Years
W4DXCC DX CONVENTION
Pigeon Forge, Tennessee
September 27-28 2013/

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21536. Re: [DX-IS] Limited Supply

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-28 12:38:10 UTC
From: Ron Notarius W3WN
Topic: 21535 Message: 21536

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That is an observation, not a complaint.

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21537. Re: [DX-IS] Limited Supply

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-28 13:05:48 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 21535 Message: 21537

On 8/28/2013 9:38 AM, Ron Notarius W3WN wrote:
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Yahoo's web interface seems to be down now. I was going to check the group description, which specifies the policy for this group. I know we eschew political or religious statements, and I believe we ask members to avoid selling personal items (i.e. this is not a Swap Shop.) Not sure if we mentioned commercial items.

Regardless of what the policy is, I generally agree. We don't really need business advertising here. What we do need is participation in DX discussions. When VE1AL was alive he was always starting threads, etc. Seems like since he went SK this spring, the list has lost its spark. There are a lot of lurkers and we get requests for new member approval fairly often, but there seems to be little DX discussion. Take out the automated DX and propagation bulletins and there isn't much left. Al could always be counted on to point out a controversial topic . . .

I attribute the decline to 2 things. (1) After its existence since ~1997, original members have expressed their views 18 times on every DX related topic, and there is little more to say. (2) There are many, many specialized lists dedicated to every rig, amp, logging package, etc., made. Every DXpedition has a web site and usually a blog. Hence users can be very specific and subscribe to lists that target their interests.

What more are we going to discuss here? Is full QSK better than semi break-in? (Beat that to death!) Why do 3s keep calling when the DX is asking for 5s? (Beat that to death!) Why can't the VK0 hear the East coast on 160m? (Beat that to death!) Are DXpedition Leader Boards useful (Beat that to death!)

So yeah, we could ban commercial ads. I'd rather find DX topics to discuss, but perhaps we've discussed them all. Maybe there simply is nothing left to say.

Did anyone notice the current solar cycle is the worst since the invention of radio? It is, and my holes on 12/10 are not getting filled as I had hoped. I'd liked to have worked some 6M F2 DX. :-(

73, Paul VE1DX (List co-owner with N1DG)

21538. re(2); 51

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-28 13:10:50 UTC
From: kc2tn@...
Topic: 21538 Message: 21538

referral link http://openimarket.com/ysvqjbb/satellite.php

Sent: 28.08.2013 14:10:47

From kc2tn

21539. Re: [DX-IS] re(2); 51 ----- DON'T CLICK

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-28 13:15:35 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 21538 Message: 21539

On 8/28/2013 10:10 AM, kc2tn@... wrote:
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73, Paul VE1DX

21540. New DXCC entity status

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-28 13:39:19 UTC
From: Brian Alsop
Topic: 21540 Message: 21540

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73 de Brian/K3KO

No virus found in this message.
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Version: 2012.0.2242 / Virus Database: 3211/6115 - Release Date: 08/28/13

21541. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-28 14:01:04 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21541

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:Issued: 2013 Aug 28 1208 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30828
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 28 Aug 2013, 1208UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 28 Aug 2013 until 30 Aug 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Quiet conditions (<50% probability of C-class flares)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 28 Aug 2013 10CM FLUX: 111 / AP: 010
PREDICTIONS FOR 29 Aug 2013 10CM FLUX: 112 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 30 Aug 2013 10CM FLUX: 113 / AP: 014
COMMENT: Solar activity was quiet, featuring no C-class flares in the past 24 hours.
AR NOAA 11835 has grown more complex and can produce C-class flares.
Solar wind speed increased to around 450 km/s which is generated by a
coronal hole connected to Earth on August 23d to August 25th. It was
associated with a current sheet crossing. The interplanetary magnetic
field Bz component reached values of around -10 nT which caused the
geomagnetic conditions to reach minor storm levels. Currently the
geomagnetic conditions are quiet and are expected to remain so for the next
48 hours. On the end of day 3 (August 30th) active conditions are expected
due to a new coronal hole currently connected to Earth.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 034, BASED ON 13 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 27 Aug 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 110
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 027
AK WINGST : 018
ESTIMATED AP : 018
ESTIMATED ISN : 040, BASED ON 22 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21542. Re: [DX-IS] New DXCC entity status

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-28 14:26:50 UTC
From: Ron Notarius W3WN
Topic: 21540 Message: 21542

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No, I don't think this is a good idea.

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21543. Re: [DX-IS] re(2); 51 ----- DON'T CLICK

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-28 14:32:53 UTC
From: dale cole
Topic: 21538 Message: 21543

Thanks for the heads up. Went to McAfee and did a manual update, rebooted and I got new downloads from them. Had to go in by a "back door" that I keep open though. Had computer off last nite do to heavy storms, so probably did not get their auto update.

Dale K8TS

These are the ramblings of an old lonesome phart and should not be taken seriously by any sane person

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From: Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Cc: kc2tn@...; SEDXC@contesting.com; svetanoff@...; Motorola-Radius@yahoogroups.com; DDUtil@yahoogroups.com; lorgen@...; gofrc@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, August 28, 2013 9:15 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] re(2); 51 ----- DON'T CLICK

On 8/28/2013 10:10 AM, mailto:kc2tn%40comcast.net wrote:
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21544. Re: [DX-IS] New DXCC entity status

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-28 14:44:30 UTC
From: Brian Alsop
Topic: 21540 Message: 21544

Hi Ron,

Deleted countries are included in the DXCC standings listings. The top right now for mixed is 394.

If you read the book on W6AM you will see that this is precisely what the ARRL did in the old days. You'd submit a card with sufficient geographical info and ARRL would try to figure what DXCC country it was in. So many of the "delete" credits of today may in fact have been subject those administrative procedures.

I agree in theory it could be administrative nightmare.

I'm not sure in this day and age it would be too difficult to set up tables of delete country boundaries (about 55) and confirm a particular city on a paper QSL was within those boundaries. Four character grid square may not be unambiguous enough. Six digit grid square may be sufficiently precise. So LOTW could potentially also grant such credits. Deleted countries already are present in LOTW.

73 de Brian/K3KO

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21545. Re: [DX-IS] New DXCC entity status

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-28 14:49:15 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 21540 Message: 21545

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It is also interesting that both Palestine and South Sudan are on the deleted countries list AND the current countries list.

73 John AF5CC
----- Original Message -----
From: Brian Alsop
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, August 28, 2013 2:44 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] New DXCC entity status

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21546. Re: [DX-IS] New DXCC entity status

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-28 14:55:18 UTC
From: Brian Alsop
Topic: 21540 Message: 21546

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On 8/28/2013 14:49, John Geiger wrote:
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21547. Re: [DX-IS] New DXCC entity status

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-28 15:01:46 UTC
From: dale cole
Topic: 21540 Message: 21547

How does this level the playing field you speak about?

Dale K8TS

From: Brian Alsop <alsopb@....com>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, August 28, 2013 10:55 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] New DXCC entity status

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21548. Re: [DX-IS] New DXCC entity status

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-28 15:05:44 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 21540 Message: 21548

Actually it could count for 3 countries, since the old Germany is on the deleted countries list as well.

John AF5CC

----- Original Message -----
From: Brian Alsop
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, August 28, 2013 2:55 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] New DXCC entity status

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Version: 2012.0.2242 / Virus Database: 3211/6115 - Release Date: 08/28/13

21549. Re: Re: [DX-IS] New DXCC entity status

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-28 15:20:37 UTC
From: Ron Notarius W3WN
Topic: 21540 Message: 21549

And that is the problem in a nutshell.

Certain geographic areas of the world have counted as more than one entity for any of a variety of reasons.

And we take DXCC much more "seriously" than was often done in the old days, for a large variety of reasons (many of which have to do with two names of infamy -- amongst many -- ie, Dr Don Miller and Romeo). That doesn't mean that the "old days" were wrong... just that the times were different.

I'm all for constructive discussion on how to activate some of the rarer entities, or increase activity on some of the semi-rare ones. I'm not all that thrilled with (what appears to me, at least) artificial ways to increase counts. This may be a "game" to some, but the ultimate goal is who you've worked & how you worked them... not neccesarily a high number.

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From:
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To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com

Sent: Wednesday, August 28, 2013 2:55
PM

Subject: Re: [DX-IS] New DXCC entity
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21550. Re: [DX-IS] New DXCC entity status

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-28 15:20:14 UTC
From: Brian Alsop
Topic: 21540 Message: 21550

I'd also like to point out that the Diamond DXCC Challenge Award already had identified some current stations in what are now classified as "deleted" countries.

Some examples: Goa, Ifni, Newfoundland, British Somaliland, Italian Somaliland.

73 de Brian/K3KO

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21551. Re: [DX-IS] New DXCC entity status

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-28 15:26:05 UTC
From: Brian Alsop
Topic: 21540 Message: 21551

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opportunity to add deleted entities to their totals.

Brian/K3KO

On 8/28/2013 15:01, dale cole wrote:
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> *From:* Brian Alsop <alsopb@...>
> *To:* DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> *Sent:* Wednesday, August 28, 2013 10:55 AM
> *Subject:* Re: [DX-IS] New DXCC entity status
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21552. Re: [DX-IS] New DXCC entity status

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-28 15:28:10 UTC
From: Alfred Watson
Topic: 21540 Message: 21552

Maybe they follow the lead of CQ magazine some day and add Kosovo. Wud be 370 for me if it ever happens.
Al
W4ABW

-----Original Message-----
From: Ron Notarius W3WN <wn3vaw@...>
To: DX-IS <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Wed, Aug 28, 2013 4:20 am
Subject: Re: Re: [DX-IS] New DXCC entity status

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Sent: Wednesday, August 28, 2013 2:55
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Subject: Re: [DX-IS] New DXCC entity
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21553. Re: [DX-IS] New DXCC entity status

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-28 15:32:44 UTC
From: Derek Wills
Topic: 21540 Message: 21553

> I removes the benefit of age and longevity. Younger hams have the
> opportunity to add deleted entities to their totals.

It's the instant gratification thing. I'd like to add my CW P5 QSO because although the op wasn't actually in North Korea he might have been able to see it from a tall tree where he actually was (well, they do this with lighthouses - you only have to be able to see one, not be in it).

If you want to collect lots of stuff you can always play IOTA -

Derek aa5bt

21554. RE: Re: [DX-IS] New DXCC entity status

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-28 15:53:34 UTC
From: KQ8M
Topic: 21540 Message: 21554

Well, the Romeo thing was WRONG period. He didn't operate from the country. The time had nothing to do with it. Germany was once Germany split then became the same Germany as before. I believe ST0 was then was taken over then got independence again. IMHO these amongst others were done to keep people from the large numbers of totals.

That being said, If we are to start giving away deleted countries then what is there to compete for? Country A is being taken over by country B and even though I need it I don't have to worry. I can get it later. REALLY?

This world has been dumbed down enough and continues to be dumbed down. I don't have this give it to me. No I don't want to work for it just give it to me. Yes, no code. Tests too hard, make them easier. Heck let's do away with tests. Don't need them and while we are at it since later someone will cry about having to send in an application electronically, we all know how hard that is, do away with licensing altogether.

73,

Tim Herrick, KQ8M

Charter Member North Coast Contesters

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Sent: Wednesday, August 28, 2013 11:21 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: Re: [DX-IS] New DXCC entity status

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Sent: Wednesday, August 28, 2013 2:55
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21555. Re: [DX-IS] New DXCC entity status

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-28 15:59:01 UTC
From: Ron Notarius W3WN
Topic: 21540 Message: 21555

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> *To:* DX-IS@yahoogroups.com

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21556. Re: New DXCC entity status

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-28 16:03:04 UTC
From: Radio K0HB
Topic: 21540 Message: 21556

> If not both, then I could work 2 stations next door to each
> other and count them for separate countries.

“Back in the day” I dimly recall that it was possible to work a single station for 2 countries. I think one was on SM/OH border maybe, and one on a “shared” island in Pacific, maybe VR1/KB6.

73, de Hans, K0HB

21557. Re: [DX-IS] New DXCC entity status

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-28 16:05:51 UTC
From: Ron Notarius W3WN
Topic: 21540 Message: 21557

Funny, I was just involved in a thread over on the QRZ.COM DX forums on this very subject.

I'm all for adding Kosovo to the list.

Fine me a logical way to do it within the rules, and I'll back you up to the hilt.

Or come up with a logical way of adding it, via a modified rule or new rule, that
(a) passes muster with the DXCC Desk and the DX Advisory Council, and possibly the IARU member societies, and
(b) Doesn't open up more loopholes for the artificial creation of entities that don't really exist (in other words, no more "soverign nations" that are nothing more than an office building or headquarters for a long-lived society)

Lots of people want to see Kosovo count. But no one seems to be able to come up with a way to do it that doesn't break the system.

And the system isn't broken (just needs a tweak here or there), so let's not start there.

On 08/28/13, Alfred Watson wrote:

Maybe they follow the lead of CQ magazine some day and add Kosovo. Wud be 370 for me if it ever happens.

Al

W4ABW

-----Original Message-----

From: Ron Notarius W3WN <wn3vaw@...>

To: DX-IS <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>

Sent: Wed, Aug 28, 2013 4:20 am

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21558. Re: [DX-IS] New DXCC entity status

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Date: 2013-08-28 16:50:14 UTC
From: Brian Alsop
Topic: 21540 Message: 21558

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Date: 2013-08-28 17:11:21 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 21540 Message: 21559

This also brings up the issue of KP1, among other entities. Navassa hasn't been actived since 1993. Used to be fairly active and a chip shot from the US. I know because I worked the last KP1 activation when I was using a Heathkit SB102 and an indoor dipole. They must have been running simplex since I didn't have an external VFO for the 102.

Anyone who became active after 1993 has no chance of making it to top of the honor roll. How could we level that playing field?

73 John AF5CC

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-28 17:14:31 UTC
From: KQ8M
Topic: 21540 Message: 21560

Deleted countries count towards total numbers, yes. They do NOT count towards honor roll. Big difference. DXCC has always been a longevity award. It is more impressive that one has DXCC #1 Honor roll.

Having 390 confirmed just says you have been at it for many many many years.

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Date: 2013-08-28 17:24:23 UTC
From: Radio K0HB
Topic: 21540 Message: 21561

From my Funk and Wagnall's

de·lete
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verb
past tense: deleted; past participle: deleted

1. remove or obliterate (written or printed matter), esp. by drawing a line through it or marking it with a delete sign.

"the entity was deleted" as in "you can't work it again"

synonyms: remove, cut out, take out, edit out, expunge, excise, eradicate, cancel; cross out, strike out, blue-pencil, ink out, scratch out, obliterate, white out; rub out, erase, efface, wipe out, blot out; dele

"the offending paragraph was deleted"

antonyms: add

73, de Hans, K0HB
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"Just a boy and his radio"
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21562. Re: [DX-IS] New DXCC entity status

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-28 17:28:27 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 21540 Message: 21562

That's just the way it is. I wasn't around to work people using spark gap transmitters. I missed out on that. I wasn't around to work Maria Theresa Reef. I missed out on that. I didn't get to go to Woodstock (even though I was old enough to have done so). I missed out on that.

Some people were around when the deleted countries were active and got to work them. All that says is that they were active DXers then. I got to work Canal Zone, Swan Island, Penguin Island, Walvis Bay. Those don't count toward my Honor Roll total. They do show up in my grand total, which just lets someone know I was probably DXing in the late 60's and early 70's.

The proposed rule would certainly create a flurry of activity, trying to activate Swan Island, Roncador Cay, Baja Nuevo, Maria Theresa Reef (if it existed), etc. I don't know if that is a good thing. Carl N4AA has been discussing more activity from the countries in the 50 to 100 slots of his Most Needed Countries list. I think it is a good idea to concentrate a little more on those entities, myself. I don't have Bouvet but I don't see that one happening really soon. But I'm missing 80 meters and other bands for a lot of those 50 to 100 in the needed countries list.

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21563. Re: [DX-IS] New DXCC entity status

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-28 17:31:46 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 21540 Message: 21563

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-28 17:57:07 UTC
From: Brian Alsop
Topic: 21540 Message: 21564

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21565. Re: Re: [DX-IS] New DXCC entity status

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-28 18:04:53 UTC
From: Ron Notarius W3WN
Topic: 21540 Message: 21565

Brian,

I think you're still missing the point that Deleted Entities only count if they were active at the time they were worked.

In other words, if it was an Entity (or Country) at the time of the QSO, it counts THEN.

Otherwise, if it took a few months or even years for the confirmation to arrive (as it often did in the days before computers & LotW), it still counts.

But activating TODAY an entity that was deleted years ago? No, sorry, that makes no sense.

I still think we should concentrate our efforts on activating existing ones, not trying to resurrect the ghosts of old ones.

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-28 18:07:23 UTC
From: Ron Notarius W3WN
Topic: 21540 Message: 21566

Who says we should?

I'm sorry I missed KP1 during it's last activation (who expected it to be so long, after all?) but I did. Them's the breaks.

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-28 18:09:44 UTC
From: Ron Notarius W3WN
Topic: 21540 Message: 21567

I wouldn't use the perjorative "Blame"

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21568. Re: Re: [DX-IS] New DXCC entity status

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-28 18:12:37 UTC
From: iain macdonnell - N6ML
Topic: 21540 Message: 21568

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21569. Re: New DXCC entity status

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-28 18:17:23 UTC
From: K0HB
Topic: 21540 Message: 21569

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21570. Re: [DX-IS] Re: New DXCC entity status

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-28 18:20:04 UTC
From: iain macdonnell - N6ML
Topic: 21540 Message: 21570

Maybe ... or maybe those authorities would less restrictive about access -
except the French, perhaps (I suspect that they own quite a few of the
others in the top-25).

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21571. Re: [DX-IS] New DXCC entity status

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-28 18:21:14 UTC
From: Bob
Topic: 21540 Message: 21571

And exactly what is wrong with that benefit?

The top number guys are dying off. But no matter how you want to slice and dice it you will never have worked the deleted country or entity.

There are those that also believe if an "entity" has not been activated for a period of time it should be deleted or moved to a "Inactive status" I'd lump this proposal into the same trash bin. DXCC and the variations are long term goals and sustain interest in Ham Radio over that period. I myself am troubled by the need for instant gratification. Yes, DXCC is a game but if you need that instant gratification go play a video game so you can move quickly to the next level.

I sit here waiting and hoping for a P5 but may be in the box in the ground before it occurs. I do not want those before me to have their efforts cheapened. with an easy solution. Some respect and acknowledgement is still due those who did this before the internet age. I did not accomplish my goal but so what. How many passed without the ZA?

I guess I'm an "Old School", "Old Phart".

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21572. Re: [DX-IS] New DXCC entity status

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-28 18:23:28 UTC
From: Ron Notarius W3WN
Topic: 21540 Message: 21572

Ian, I think you're exactly right.

Considering that the Deleted Entities do NOT count for Honor Roll... except for bragging rights when you're hoisting a couple of cold 807's... then what's the problem?

There are entities that W6AM worked that I never will. So what?

I think if someone's goal is simply to amass the largest number of unique entities possible... no, no one from the last 2 decades, maybe the last 4 decades, will ever have "worked them all" including the deleted ones. But if getting a high number is your only goal, well, with all due respect, I think it's an empty one.

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21573. Re: Re: [DX-IS] New DXCC entity status

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-28 18:26:14 UTC
From: dale cole
Topic: 21540 Message: 21573

WOW! Would this make for an interesting conversation down at the local pub, with a couple of grape nehi's in hand hi hi
On that note, if there are no people, just birds, and you have to build a platform to op from.....hoow can?
Just my 2 cents ....Now I will kill the bandwith

Dale K8TS

These are the ramblings of an old lonesome phart and should not be taken seriously by any sane person

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From: iain macdonnell - N6ML <ar@...>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, August 28, 2013 2:12 PM
Subject: Re: Re: [DX-IS] New DXCC entity status

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21574. Re: [DX-IS] New DXCC entity status

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-28 18:27:43 UTC
From: iain macdonnell - N6ML
Topic: 21540 Message: 21574

Hi Ron,

Deleted entities ARE actually counted in the official ARRL DXCC standings -
http://www.arrl.org/dxcc-standings

That's a bit more than "bragging rights"....

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> except for bragging rights when you're hoisting a couple of cold 807's...
> then what's the problem?
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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-28 18:51:17 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 21540 Message: 21575

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Probably any isolated, uninhabited place so far from civilization has its risks and dangers. Remember when one of the operators at 3Y0PI almost went into a crevasse?

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On Wed, Aug 28, 2013 at 12:57 PM, Brian Alsop <alsopb@...> wrote:

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From: donhall161
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The zones don't move or aren't deleted so everyone has an equal chance. Besides, all the zones have several countries to catch for them.

It is also a more serious test of station capability, in my thinking.

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21577. Re: Re: [DX-IS] New DXCC entity status

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-28 19:31:48 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 21540 Message: 21577

I don't see what's unfair about it. The only thing that really counts is number of current entities worked that count toward HR. All the rest is just numbers that don't mean anything except that the person has been DXing for a longer time.

I'm not comparing my numbers to anyone else's, anyway. I'm just chasing the DX and having fun. I fell off HR a few years ago when the new PJ entities were declared and haven't even gotten around to getting cards for some of them yet. So I still have Honor Roll, just not "officially." Some people even work them all and don't even bother to send in a DXCC application.

If the problem you're trying to solve is boredom from lack of stations to work or lack of new ones to work, you can always take up VHF+++ and chasing VUCC like I did.

73, Zack W9SZ

On Wed, Aug 28, 2013 at 1:26 PM, dale cole <dchamguy@...> wrote:

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21578. Re: Re: [DX-IS] New DXCC entity status

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-28 19:31:59 UTC
From: Ron Notarius W3WN
Topic: 21540 Message: 21578

Not on Honor Roll, though. Deleted Entities aren't part of the "official" HR number. You have #1 HR regardless of whether you have 20, 10, 5, or 0 Deleted entities, so long as you have all the currently active ones worked... right?

So let's be honest. Once you've worked & confirmed DXCC... be it the basic award, the individual bands, or modes, or 5 Band, or Challenge... what are all these additional entities over 100 anyway?

Bragging rights.

And... not that there's anything wrong with that. Especially when you're all getting together as friends (and the ham with the lowest number of confirmed entities buys the next round!!). But ultimately, it is what it is, and as a practical matter, that's what it is. IMHO.

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On 08/28/13, iain macdonnell - N6ML wrote:

Hi Ron,

Deleted entities ARE actually counted in the official ARRL DXCC standings - http://www.arrl.org/dxcc-standings

That's a bit more than "bragging rights"....

73,

~iain / N6ML

On Wed, Aug 28, 2013 at 11:23 AM, Ron Notarius W3WN <wn3vaw@...> wrote:

Ian, I think you're exactly right.

Considering that the Deleted Entities do NOT count for Honor Roll... except for bragging rights when you're hoisting a couple of cold 807's... then what's the problem?

There are entities that W6AM worked that I never will. So what?

I think if someone's goal is simply to amass the largest number of unique entities possible... no, no one from the last 2 decades, maybe the last 4 decades, will ever have "worked them all" including the deleted ones. But if getting a high number is your only goal, well, with all due respect, I think it's an empty one.

Sorry Brian. I strongly disagree with you on this one.

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21579. Re: [DX-IS] New DXCC entity status

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-28 19:33:48 UTC
From: Derek Wills
Topic: 21540 Message: 21579

> The zones don't move or aren't deleted so everyone has an equal chance.
> Besides, all the zones have several countries to catch for them.
> It is also a more serious test of station capability, in my thinking.

Yes - it proves that you can put RF anywhere in the world, and
that's what it's about.

The ARRL is supposed to be revisiting the DXCC rules very soon,
so we can expect more fireworks at that level.

Personally I'm OK with the current rules - they have some logic,
and we know where we stand. Bending them to include Kosovo with
its current international status would just make everything messy
again.

As I said, if you want to work something 'new' every time you turn
on the radio, chase the IOTA awards, or lighthouses, or US counties,
or members of the UN or something - there's plenty to keep us busy.

Derek aa5bt

21580. Re: [DX-IS] New DXCC entity status

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-28 19:35:03 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 21540 Message: 21580

"all the zones have several countries to catch for them"

Zone 2, 18, and 19 don't. Luckily 18 and 19 are pretty well represented on the bands, and zone 2 isn't tough from the US.

73 John AF5CC

On Wed, Aug 28, 2013 at 2:06 PM, donhall161 <donhall161@...>wrote:

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> If any of you are frustrated about your inability to catch us OT's in
> country totals because of the deleted ones, why not try WAZ or if you are
> abtitious or a masochist 5B WAZ, or even more serious masochism CW 5B WAZ.
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21581. Re: [DX-IS] New DXCC entity status

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-28 19:59:03 UTC
From: donhall161
Topic: 21540 Message: 21581

John,

You are correct about only one country for each of the three zones and activity levels for 18 and 19. However, Zone1 includes Labrador, part of Quebec and two territories in VE8. Its land area is much larger than many of the countries on the list and has activity pretty regularly. I think Zone 2 hasn't been unrepresented for many years at a time like some of the entities.

I still believe 5BWAZ is a bigger challenge than "top of the Honor Roll".

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21582. Re: [DX-IS] New DXCC entity status

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-28 20:06:11 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 21540 Message: 21582

I will agree about 5BWAZ being above honor roll, and that is the general feeling of most people on the DX forum on eham.net. Zone one is Alaska and part of VY1/VE8. Zone two is VO2, part of VE8 and VE2 north of 50 degrees. I would guess that it is the least populated on any of the zones, but there are some pretty active VO2 stations, and a couple of VEs usually go to zone 2 for the CQWW contest.

You really want a challenge, try to work every ITU zone.

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21583. Re: [DX-IS] New DXCC entity status

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-28 20:19:59 UTC
From: iain macdonnell - N6ML
Topic: 21540 Message: 21583

FWIW, after about 5 years of somewhat-serious DXing from W6, I have worked all zones (on CW!) on 10/15/20/40m, and I just need to work one more (zone 39) on 80m. A few of them are not confirmed, because I haven't been bothering with paper cards much lately (if I could count LotW, I'd only be 4 away!). For DXCC, I have 308 current / 310 total worked, of which all but two (XZ and EP) are confirmed. I doubt I'll ever make hono[u]r roll, never mind #1, but finishing 5BWAZ seems quite achievable.

I guess it depends on your situation - if you're stuck on a city lot, with a single tower / tri-bander, lower-bands may be more of a challenge than HR....

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21584. Re: [DX-IS] New DXCC entity status

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-28 21:35:42 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 21540 Message: 21584

On 8/28/2013 11:55 AM, Brian Alsop wrote:
> I suspect it would count for both. Why not?
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> On 8/28/2013 14:49, John Geiger wrote:
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>> I think it does get back to the original question, though. I work a
>> station in Berlin, does it count for FRG (present Germany) or DDR
>> (deleted East Germany), or both? If not both, then I could work 2
>> stations next door to each other and count them for separate countries.
>> It is also interesting that both Palestine and South Sudan are on the
>> deleted countries list AND the current countries list.
>> 73 John AF5CC
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I don't think it would count for East Germany now because East Germany does not exist as a DXCC country today. If you worked a station in what was East Berlin in 1988, and then worked the same station in 1998, the first QSO would count for East Germany, and the later QSO for Germany (two different DXCC countries, but the station didn't co-exist in both countries at the same time.)

73, Paul VE1DX

21585. Re: [DX-IS] New DXCC entity status

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-28 21:43:36 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 21540 Message: 21585

On 8/28/2013 12:20 PM, Brian Alsop wrote:
> I'd also like to point out that the Diamond DXCC Challenge Award already
> had identified some current stations in what are now classified as
> "deleted" countries.
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> Some examples: Goa, Ifni, Newfoundland, British Somaliland, Italian
> Somaliland.
>
> 73 de Brian/K3KO
>

What makes them deleted is date. Newfoundland became part of
Canada in 1949. It didn't move. It was a political change.

If the same VO1 station existed in St John's in 1948, and was still
there in 1950, if you worked him in 1948, you got credit for
Newfoundland. Once they joined Canada in 1949, even if the guy kept the
same call, and even if you worked him again in 1950, you would only get
credit for Canada.

I can never work the deleted country Newfoundland. If Newfoundland
were to separate from Canada and become its own country again, the DXCC
Desk would likely add it to the list as a NEW one . . . it would not be
a re-incarnation of the old deleted Newfoundland.

73, Paul VE1DX

21586. Re: [DX-IS] New DXCC entity status

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-28 22:10:36 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 21540 Message: 21586

On 8/28/2013 2:11 PM, John Geiger wrote:
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> This also brings up the issue of KP1, among other entities. Navassa
> hasn't been actived since 1993. Used to be fairly active and a chip
> shot from the US. I know because I worked the last KP1 activation when
> I was using a Heathkit SB102 and an indoor dipole. They must have been
> running simplex since I didn't have an external VFO for the 102.
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> the honor roll. How could we level that playing field?
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There always was a "KP1" holding people up. Ask any of the Old Timers about China and Albania. 20+ years wait for both of them. There always is an "impossible" one and then it gets activated magically. I don't know how long KP1 will be inactive, but I can guarantee you it will be reactivated and make a lot of Hams licensed since 1993 very happy! I just can't tell you when. :-)

73, Paul VE1DX

21587. Re: [DX-IS] New DXCC entity status

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-28 22:13:52 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 21540 Message: 21587

On 8/28/2013 3:12 PM, iain macdonnell - N6ML wrote:
> I think the issue that Brian is trying to address is that for someone
> starting out today, no matter how great a station they build / how
> skilled an operator they become, they can never equal the "scores" of
> those who claim credit for deleted entities. That seems inherently
> unfair.
>
> I don't think that activating deleted entities makes any sense as a
> solution, though. The only solution that seems to make sense is to
> stop counting deleted entities completely. I can't see that happening,
> though... there'd be a huge outcry from the OFs....
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> 73,
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> ~iain / N6ML (only two deleted entities - the old PJ's)
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Not from me (8 deleted countries.) The only ones that matter to me
are the ones on the active DXCC list.

73, Paul VE1DX

21588. Re: [DX-IS] New DXCC entity status

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-28 22:22:03 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 21540 Message: 21588

On 8/28/2013 4:59 PM, donhall161 wrote:
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> John,
> You are correct about only one country for each of the three zones and
> activity levels for 18 and 19. However, Zone1 includes Labrador, part of
> Quebec and two territories in VE8. Its land area is much larger than
> many of the countries on the list and has activity pretty regularly. I
> think Zone 2 hasn't been unrepresented for many years at a time like
> some of the entities.
> I still believe 5BWAZ is a bigger challenge than "top of the Honor Roll".
> 73 Don K5AQ
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Agree 100%. I only know two avid DXers (with 50-60 years
experience) who have 5BWAZ, but I probably know 25 or more who have #1
HR and no 5BWAZ. 5BWAZ is the pinnacle of DX achievement, in my view.

73, Paul VE1DX

21589. Re: [DX-IS] New DXCC entity status

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-28 22:25:42 UTC
From: Brian Alsop
Topic: 21540 Message: 21589

Paul,

How many do you know that are over 3000 on the ARRL Challenge Award?

I'd say that beats 5BWAZ by a lot.

73 de Brian/K3KO

On 8/28/2013 22:22, Paul M Dunphy wrote:
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21590. Re: [DX-IS] New DXCC entity status

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-28 22:40:32 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 21540 Message: 21590

On 8/28/2013 7:25 PM, Brian Alsop wrote:
> Paul,
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> How many do you know that are over 3000 on the ARRL Challenge Award?
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> 73 de Brian/K3KO
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Well, VE1YX for one. Also VE1AST if he sent in all his band countries. I'd have to look to see if there are any more. I'm at 2799 and I don't think I'll ever see 3000 because it requires a lot of 160m and 6m countries. While I have DXCC on both of those bands, they are not going to deliver me 200 more in this lifetime! I had hoped to get 50-60 more on 12/10 this cycle, but it was a dud and likely is past its peak.

5BWAZ requires all the bands on 28 MHz, which is solar peak dependant. I'd wager anyone who doesn't have all of their 10m zones right now is in for a long wait. Remember, cycles 20, 21, 22 and 23 were dandies with 2-3 years of stellar propagation during the years around their peaks. This did not happen with 24 and the know-it-all prognosticators are saying 25 will be as bad or worse than 24.

The ability to get 5BWAZ (and 3000 in the DXCC Challenge) has greatly diminished since cycle 23 dropped off. Iain, N6ML, is in great shape because he only needs 1 zone on 80m, and that band is not solar cycle dependant. He's lucky, because if he needed that zone on 10m, it likely will be a long wait.

I have more DXCC Countries on 40m than I do 10m. Yet I have a far better antenna for 10m. Propagation and solar flux are the great equalizer. :-)

73, Paul VE1DX

21591. Re: [DX-IS] New DXCC entity status

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-28 23:52:01 UTC
From: Richard Solomon
Topic: 21540 Message: 21591

Just ask all who need P5 for the Top of the CW Honor Roll.

Marrti, where are you ??

73, Dick, W1KSZ

On Wed, Aug 28, 2013 at 3:10 PM, Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...> wrote:

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21592. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-29 14:01:04 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21592

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:Issued: 2013 Aug 29 1221 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30829
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 29 Aug 2013, 1208UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 29 Aug 2013 until 31 Aug 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Active conditions expected (A>=20 or K=4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 29 Aug 2013 10CM FLUX: 109 / AP: 004
PREDICTIONS FOR 30 Aug 2013 10CM FLUX: 110 / AP: 014
PREDICTIONS FOR 31 Aug 2013 10CM FLUX: 111 / AP: 017
COMMENT: There was 1 C-class flare (C1.3) in the past 24 hours originating from AR
NOAA 11836. AR NOAA 11835 has grown more complex and could produce an
M-class flare. Solar wind speed is around 380 km/s and the
interplanetary magnetic field Bz component around 0 nT. Geomagnetic
conditions where quiet, but are expected to reach active (K=4) to minor
storm (k=5) levels in the evening of August 30th due to the arrival of the
fast stream of a coronal hole.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 034, BASED ON 12 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 28 Aug 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 108
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 007
AK WINGST : 008
ESTIMATED AP : 009
ESTIMATED ISN : 034, BASED ON 20 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
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21593. ARLD035 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-29 21:56:53 UTC
From: jjreisert@...
Topic: 6005 Message: 21593

SB DX @ ARL $ARLD035
ARLD035 DX news

ZCZC AE35
QST de W1AW
DX Bulletin 35 ARLD035
>From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT August 29, 2013
To all radio amateurs

SB DX ARL ARLD035
ARLD035 DX news

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by NC1L, QRZ DX, the OPDX Bulletin, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, DXNL, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

RODRIGUEZ ISLAND, 3B9. Members of the Verona DX Team plan to be QRV as 3B9EME from September 2 to 13 from Rodriguez Island, IOTA AF-017, Grid Square MH10. Their main objective is EME operation on 6 and 2 meters and 70 cm. In addition, they will also be active on the HF bands, mainly on the newer bands, with two stations. QSL direct to I3LDP.

WEST MALAYSIA, 9M2. Members of the Malaysian Special Expedition Team will be QRV as 9M2SE from Pulau Indah, IOTA AS-074, from August 31 to September 1 during a celebration of the 56th anniversary of Malaysia's Independence Day. Activity will be on 40 to 10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via operators' instructions.

NEPAL, 9N. Satish, 9N1AA has been active on 15 meters using CW between 1120 and 1215z. QSL via N4AA.

CAPE VERDE, D4. Barry, M0DGQ is QRV as D44TXP from Sal Island, IOTA AF-006, until September 11. Activity is on 40 and 20 meters using CW. QSL via M0URX.

CANARY ISLANDS, EA8. Ivan, EA8YG will be QRV as EE8YG from Isla de la Graciosa, IOTA AF-004, from September 1 to 15. Activity will be on 160 to 6 meters using SSB. QSL to home call.

FRENCH POLYNESIA, FO. Yoshi, JJ8DEN plans to be QRV as FO/KH0PR from Ahe Atoll, King George Islands, IOTA OC-131, from September 3 to 8. Activity will be on 80 to 10 meters using CW, RTTY, PSK31 and JT65A. QSL to home call.

ITALY, I. Members of the Calabria DX Team plan to be QRV as II8LH from the Lighthouse on Scilla, ARLHS ITA-050, on August 31. QSL via HB9FHZ.

MINAMI TORISHIMA, JD1. Take, JG8NQJ/JD1 has been active on 15 meters using CW between 0900 and 1100z. QSL via JA8CJY.

JORDAN, JY. Jovica, E78A is on work assignment with the UNHCR and now holds the call sign JY9FC. He is active from Amman during his free time on the HF bands using mainly CW with some SSB and various digital modes. QSL via E73Y.

LITHUANIA, LY. Special event station LY777A is QRV until September 30 to celebrate 777 years of the city of Siauliai. QSL via LY5A.

BULGARIA, LZ. Special event station LZ1406SK commemorates the orthodox St. Cyprian during the month of September. QSL via LZ1KCP.

BANGLADESH, S2. Rana, S21R is active from Dhaka until mid September. QSL via N4VA.

POLAND, SP. Special event stations HF330VW and SN330VW are QRV until September 22 to commemorate the victory of the Polish King Jan Sobieski against the Turkish army near Vienna in 1683. QSL HF330VW via SP9PRR and SN330VW via SP9KJU.

MOUNT ATHOS, SV/A. Monk Apollo has been active on 17 meters using SSB around 1425 to 1530z. QSL direct.

CORSICA, TK. Sebastian, IK2WZM plans to be QRV as TK9ZM from September 2 to 8. Activity will be holiday style on the HF bands. QSL to home call.

MALI, TZ. Fernando, TZ6BB has been active on 15 meters using CW around 1900z. QSL via W3HNK.

MICRONESIA, V6. Operators Hiroo, JA2VWG and Seihachi, JA7LU will be QRV as V63DDD and V63LU, respectively, from Pohnpei Island, IOTA OC-010, from September 4 to 16. Activity will be on 40 to 6 meters using SSB and RTTY. QSL direct to home calls.

INDONESIA, YB. Bert, PD1SA plans to be QRV as YB1/PD1SA from West Java, IOTA OC-021, until September 28. Activity is mostly on 20 meters and possibly on 80 and 40 meters as well. QSL to home call.

OPERATION APPROVED FOR DXCC CREDIT. The following operation has been approved for DXCC credit: Clipperton Island, TX5K, 2013 operation. If you've had this rejected in a prior application, send a note to bmoore@... to be placed on this list for an update to your record.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. QRP CW Fox Hunt, NCCC Sprint CW Ladder, Feld Hell Sprint, CWOps CW Open, Colorado QSO Party, Tennessee QSO Party and the MI QRP Labor Day CW Sprint are all on tap for this

weekend. The ARS Spartan CW Sprint is scheduled for September 3.
Please see August QST, page 73, September QST, page 79, and the ARRL
and WA7BNM contest web sites for details.
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21594. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-30 14:01:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21594

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:Issued: 2013 Aug 30 1222 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
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# (RWC Belgium) #
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SIDC URSIGRAM 30830
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GEOMAGNETISM : Active conditions expected (A>=20 or K=4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 30 Aug 2013 10CM FLUX: 110 / AP: 018
PREDICTIONS FOR 31 Aug 2013 10CM FLUX: 111 / AP: 016
PREDICTIONS FOR 01 Sep 2013 10CM FLUX: 112 / AP: 017
COMMENT: Solar activity was eruptive featuring 1 C-class flare (C8.3) originating
from AR NOAA 11836. A partial halo CME was associated with this flare as
seen in LASCO C2 on August 30th around 02:48 UT. It has an angular width
of around 150 degrees and an estimated speed of about 1000 km/s. With this
speed, the estimated time of arrival at Earth is on August 31th around
21:00. A second partial halo CME was detected by LASCO C2 on August 29th
around 06:00 UT. Most material of this CME is southbound, but a shockwave
might arrive on Earth. With an estimated speed of around 430 km/s this
shockwave is expected to arrive on September 2d around 20:00 UT. The
current solar wind speed is around 380 km/s but rising. The interplanetary
magnetic field Bz component is turbulent and between -5 nT and -10 nT. Phi
is going from 270-360 degrees to 90-180 degrees indicating the arrival of
the coronal hole and a current sheet crossing. Geomagnetic conditions where
quiet in the past 24 hours, but are expected to reach active (K=4) to minor
storm (K=5) levels in the next few hours. During the night of August 31st
and September 1st, (with the arrival of the CME as seen by LASCO C2 on
August 30th 02:48 UT), geomagnetic conditions can reach active (K=4) to
minor storm (K=5) levels.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 047, BASED ON 16 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 29 Aug 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 109
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 005
AK WINGST : 002
ESTIMATED AP : 002
ESTIMATED ISN : 035, BASED ON 18 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
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NONE
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21595. ARLP035 Propagation de K7RA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-30 15:17:25 UTC
From: jjreisert@...
Topic: 6006 Message: 21595

SB PROP @ ARL $ARLP035
ARLP035 Propagation de K7RA

ZCZC AP35
QST de W1AW
Propagation Forecast Bulletin 35 ARLP035
>From Tad Cook, K7RA
Seattle, WA August 30, 2013
To all radio amateurs

SB PROP ARL ARLP035
ARLP035 Propagation de K7RA

Solar activity slipped this week, with the average daily sunspot number declining nearly 50 points to 77, and average daily solar flux down nearly 10 points to 116.4. In fact, those nearly numbers were 49.9 and 9.9.

The latest prediction from NOAA/USAF (Thursday, August 29, 2013) has solar flux at 108, 105 and 108 on August 30 through September 1, 110 on September 2-3, 112 on September 4-5, then 115 and 120 on September 6-7, 125 on September 8-14, 120 on September 15, 115 on September 16-17, 110 on September 18, 105 on September 19-21, then 110 and 105 on September 22-23, and 100 on September 24-25.

Until August 27-28, the forecast had solar flux dropping below 100 on August 30 through September 2, but the outlook was upgraded for this period. But note that flux values are predicted to drop below 100 on September 26-28.

Predicted planetary A index is 20 on August 30-31, 12 on September 1, 5 on September 2-3, 8 on September 4, 5 on September 5-9, then 10, 15 and 18 on September 10-12, 8 on September 13-14, 5 on September 15-16, then 12, 18 and 15 on September 17-19, 5 on September 20-21, 12 and 8 on September 22-23, and 5 on September 24-26.

Every day (usually between 2100-2200 UTC) you can see an update of all the above data at http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/ftpmenu/forecasts/45DF.html. Today I notice that the August 29 prediction (this bulletin is written every Friday long before 2100 UTC) was revised and re-released at 0839 UTC today, about 11 hours after the earlier version. I need to re-check those numbers!

Much talk lately has centered around a possible dual peak in the current solar cycle. This would follow a patter established in

recent solar cycles. If this is so, the first peak probably occurred in the Fall of 2011. Now it appears that perhaps the second peak was in Spring 2013.

We are just a day away from the end of the month, so we won't see the actual averages until next week, but we can get a pretty close reading knowing the actual numbers for 29 of the 31 days in August.

The average daily sunspot number for the first 29 days of August was 92.2. This is above the levels for June and July, 80.2 and 86.2, but lower than April and May. This also pegs the 3-month average of daily sunspot numbers (centered on July) around 86.1, based on data from 90 of the 92 days in that period. This is above all of the 3-month moving averages centered on September 2012 through March 2013, but lower than the previous three periods centered on April and May (106.4) and 97.5 for June.

The two stand-out periods were both when the 3-month moving average was above 100. Those were centered on October through December 2011 (118.8, 118.6 and 110) and April and May of this year, when averages were both 106.4.

We began tracking a three month moving average in early 2007, in the February 9 bulletin (see http://www.arrl.org/w1aw-bulletins-archive/ARLP006/2007) and have continued in each or the 78 months since then.

For those unfamiliar with this concept, a moving average is used to smooth out the day-to-day variations in noisy data to make it easier to spot trends. If you wanted to create a 30-day moving average of any data, such as stock prices, temperature or sunspot numbers, you would add all the numbers for the previous 29 days to today's value, then divide by 30. Tomorrow you would drop off the first number in the series and include tomorrow's number. This continues, day after day, and what emerges is a graph that smooths out day-to-day variations, making it easier to spot trends.

Because this bulletin was always text-based - 47 years ago as a child, I copied my predecessor's weekly propagation bulletins in Morse code from W1AW - I needed a simple way to present a moving average without the aid of graphics, in order to spot trends in the upcoming cycle.

In this simple method, I would do an arithmetic average (adding all the daily sunspot numbers, then dividing by the number of days) for a three-month period.

On the first day of April I would add all the numbers from January 1 through March 31, then divide by 91 in a leap year, and 90 in all other years. This reveals an average either described as centered on February, or the period ending in March.

On May 1 I could average all the data for February through April, so every month, one old month drops off, and a new month is added. Wikipedia has a page explaining this at http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Moving_average, and you can see there are many ways to slice and dice the data.

Next week we will present the data described above, we will see the two peaks and decline since then.

For some reason (it's Summer?) there were no reports from readers this week.

I haven't looked at this site in a long time, and I see it has added many attractive and useful features:

http://www.solen.info/solar/

Note the fantastic images under the "Active Solar Regions" heading. Note if you click on the image, it will take you to a more detailed picture, such as http://www.solen.info/solar/images/AR_CH_20130829_hres.jpg.

You can then hack that URL to see a series of images of successive days. Note the date in this URL is for 8-29-2013, expressed here as /AR_CH_20130829_hres.jpg. You can change it to 20130828, 20130827, etc, then use the back-forward button on your web browser to see the images from successive days, along with the solar rotation.

If you would like to make a comment or have a tip for our readers, email the author at, k7ra@....

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service web page at http://arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals. For an explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin, see http://arrl.org/the-sun-the-earth-the-ionosphere. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at http://arrl.org/w1aw-bulletins-archive-propagation. More good information and tutorials on propagation are at http://k9la.us/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://arrl.org/propagation.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of ARRL bulletins are at http://arrl.org/bulletins.

Sunspot numbers for August 22 through 28 were 125, 127, 101, 46, 35, 61, and 44, with a mean of 77. 10.7 cm flux was 131.6, 124.1, 117.4, 112.6, 111.2, 109.7, and 108.1, with a mean of 116.4. Estimated planetary A indices were 13, 15, 7, 7, 5, 15, and 9, with a mean of 10.1. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 11, 14, 8, 7, 4, 12, and 8, with a mean of 9.1.
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21596. 425 DX News - #1165

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-08-30 16:05:34 UTC
From: <k9or@...>
Topic: 21596 Message: 21596

31 August 2013 A.R.I. DX Bulletin
No 1165
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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** DX INFORMATION ****
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Edited by I1JQJ & IK1ADH
Direttore Responsabile I2VGW

A2 - WB6OJB as A25JK and K5LBU as A25CF will be active with two
stations from Botswana on 5-12 September. Look for A25JK to
operate SSB on 20-10 metres (possibly with some 40 and 80m), while
A25CF "will be doing some PSK on what ever bands might be open and
A25JK is not on". QSL via home calls. [TNX NG3K]
D4 - Barry, M0DGQ will be active as D44TXP from Ilha do Sal (AF-086),
Cape Verde until 11 September. He operates CW only on 40 and 20
metres. QSL via M0URX (OQRS preferred).
FO - Yoshi, JJ8DEN will be active as FO/KH0PR from three IOTA groups in
French Polynesia as follows:
3-8 September Ahe Atoll OC-131
9-16 September Napuka Atoll OC-094
18-25 September Reao Atoll OC-238
He will operate CW and digital modes on 80-10m. QSL via JJ8DEN.
[TNX DX World]
HB0 - Look for HB0/DL4AAE and HB0/DL3TU (www.mydarc.de/dl3tu/)to
(http://www.mydarc.de/dl3tu/%29to) be
active from Liechtenstein "on the second or third full weekend of
September". Weather permitting, they will try to operate from the
summit of Augstenberg (2359 metres a.s.l.) using CW only on the
higher bands with an emphasis on working Asia. All of the QSOs
will be confirmed automatically via the bureau. Direct cards via
home calls.
HP - Invoker Team members Christian EA3NT, Raul EA5KA, Vincent F4BKV
and Col MM0NDX will be active from the six IOTA groups allocated
to Panama as follows:
5 September HP0INT/1 Naos NA-072
6-8 September HP0INT/3 Boca Brava NA-071
8 Septemper (evening) HP0INT/1 Naos NA-072
9-11 September HP0INT/2 Ogobsibu (San Blas) NA-170
11-13 September HP0INT/2 Grande NA-202
13-15 September HP0INT/9 Iguana NA-203
16-18 September HP0INT/4 Colon (Bocas del Toro) NA-088
They will operate CW and SSB on 40-10m. QSL via F4BKV (direct) or
F5CWU (bureau), OQRS preferred for both options. Logsearch at
www.invokerteam.com/hp0int/ (http://www.invokerteam.com/hp0int/) [TNX DX World]

I - The Calabria DX Team will be active as II8LH from the lighthouse
at Scilla on 31 August. QSL via HB9FHZ (bureau) or IK8YFU
(direct), LoTW and eQSL.
I - Riccardo, IZ5JMX reports that he will be active as TK/IZ5JMX from
Corsica (EU-014) on 1-13 September. He will operate SSB on 40-10
metres. All of the QSOs will be confirmed automatically via bureau.
JA - Makoto, JI5RPT will be active as JI5RPT/6 from the Koshikijima
Islands (AS-037) on 7 and 8 September. He will operate CW and
digital modes. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX JN6RZM]
KH9 - The tentative dates for the K9W DXpedition to Wake Island are 5-19
October, with 7-18 October as QRV days (schedule based on Wake
time, which is UTC +12 hours). The expedition's operating plan,
QSL routes, propagation charts and other information can be found
at www.wake2013.org (http://www.wake2013.org)
SV8 - A team of eight operators from Germany (Rich DK8YY, Hansi DL1AOB,
Dieter DL1AWD, Ralf DL3JJ, Dan DL5SE, Felix DL6JF, Lu DL8ALU and
Eddy DM5JBN) will be active as SW8YY from the island of Zakynthos
(EU-052) on 17-29 October, including entries in the Worked All
Germany (WAG, 19-20 October) and CQ WW SSB contests. They will
operate CW, SSB and digital modes on 160-10 metres. QSL via DH7WW,
direct or bureau (OQRS on Club Log), and LoTW. Further information
can be found at http://sw8yy.weebly.com/ [TNX DX World]
T8 - Will be active as T88TV from Palau on 10-16 September. He will
operate CW only on all bands, with an emphasis on 160 and 80
metres. QSL via W5MJ. [TNX NG3K]
UA - R7AM, R7LP, RA6DE, RU5D, RU6AX, UA6MF and UA6YW will be active as
R20RRC/6 from Eyskaya Kosa Island in the Sea of Azov (RRA
RR-17-02, not IOTA) from 30 August to 1 September. They will
operate CW and SSB on 80-10 metres. QSL via RZ3EC. [TNX RU5D]
V6 - Look for Hiroo, JA2VWG (V63DDD) and Seihachi, JA7LU (V63LU) to be
active from Pohnpei (OC-010), Micronesia on 4-16 September. They
will be QRV on 40-6 metres SSB and RTTY. QSL both calls via JA7LU.
[TNX DX World]
W - Scott, NE1RD will be active as NE1RD/1 from Lovells Island
(NA-148) from 30 August to 1 September. This will be a LP, solar
powered operation, as there is no electricity on the island. He
will be QRV on 40-10 metres. QSL via home call. Logsearch and OQRS
(for bureau cards only) at www.bsandersen.com (http://www.bsandersen.com) [TNX
rsgbiota.org (http://rsgbiota.org)]
W - A team from the Kennehoochee Amateur Radio Club (AK4I, K4JTT,
K4MTX, KD4SEV, KI4LAV, N4DU, N4VDL, NV4U, WD4FGB, WF4W and WK4U)
will be active as K4S from Sapelo Island (NA-058) on 10-14
September. They will operate CW, SSB and RTTY on 80-6 metres. QSL
via W4BTI (direct only), LoTW and eQSL. [TNX K4JTT]
W - Randy, AJ7G will be active as AJ7G/4 from Cedar Keys (NA-076) on
18-19 September. Plans are to be QRV on 20, 17 and 15 metres SSB
and digital modes. QSL direct to home call. [TNX rsgbiota.org (http://rsgbiota.org)]
W - Mike AB5EB, Hector AD6D (XE2K) and Dragan K0AP will be active as
K5T from Timbalier Island (NA-119) on 11-13 October. QSL via
AB5EB. [TNX AB5EB]

YB - Adhi, YB3MM is active as YB3MM/p from the Kangean Islands (OC-217)
until 31 August. He is QRV on 20 and 15 metres SSB and CW. QSLling
instructions on qrz.com (http://qrz.com) [TNX W2FB]
YB - YB8S is the callsign that YB9BU, YB8RW, YC8TM and others will be
using during their operation from Gangga Island (OC-236) [425DXN
1164]. They will be QRV from 30 August to 1 September. QSL direct
to YB9BU.
YB - The YE5T (OC-122) and YE5S (OC-109) operations [425DXN 1164] have
been postponed until further notice owing to a serious family
problem of one of the team members. The YE5R activity from Anambas
(OC-108) will likely continue since it is organized by a different
team. Announced dates for YE5R are 15-20 September. [TNX W2FB]
YB - Four more operators will be joining the 10-16 September DXpedition
to Kimaam Island (aka Pulau Yos Sudarso and Pulau Dolok) (OC-275,
new one for IOTA) [425DXN 1164]. The team now includes YB0AI/9,
YB3MM/9, YB8XM/9, YB9WZJ/p, YC9XOZ/p, YD9RQX/p and YF1AR/9. They
will operate SSB, CW and digital modes on 40-10 metres. QSL
YF1AR/9 via N2OO, QSL YB3MM/9 see qrz.com (http://qrz.com), others via operator's
instructions. Further information at www.yf1ar.com (http://www.yf1ar.com)
YJ - Ralph, H40IOTA was supposed to be active from Vanikolo (OC-163)
for a couple of days towards the end of this week. However, this
activity is not going to happen and "will be placed on hold for a
future trip". His H44/H40 IOTA tour is finished, and Ralph is now
heading "under motorsail and poor weather conditions" to Vanuatu.
He will be sailing those waters for a couple of months, with
tentative plans to be active as YJ0RK from the Torres Islands
(OC-110) and the Banks Islands (OC-104). QSL via NR6M. [TNX NR6M]
YN - EA1ACP, EA1DVY, EA5FX, EA5HPX, EA5KM and EA7FTR will be active as
H7H from Nicaragua on 1-16 October. They will operate SSB, CW and
RTTY on 160-6 metres. QSL via EB7DX and LoTW. An OQRS will be
available for direct and bureau cards. Further information can be
found at http://nicaragua2013.com/

CENTRAL AMERICA TRIP ---> Rick, AI5P will be visiting Panama, El Salvador
and Nicaragua between 31 August and 23 September. Plans are to operate
holiday style as HP1/AI5P (31 August-6 September),YS1/AI5P (6-12 September)
and YN2PX (12-23 September). QSL via home call. [TNX The Daily DX]

HIMALAYAN TRIP ---> Pekka, OH2YY will be active as 9N2YY (requested
call, to be confirmed upon arrival) from Nepal on 2-5 October, and as A52YY
from Bhutan on 6-10 October. He expects to be QRV on 20-10 metres SSB mostly
during his evenings and night hours, running 100 wats into dipoles. QSL
via home call, direct or bureau, and LoTW. [TNX OH2YY]

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** GOOD TO KNOW ... ****
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AFRICAN STATES ---> "As part of the on-going research and documentation of callsign history since 1945 for Club Log, and to aid the fine-tuning of Club Log's DXCC entity mapping, I have spent some considerable time researching and documenting the history of prefix changes in Africa", Alan 5B4AHJ says. Go to http://clublog.freshdesk.com/ support/solutions (http://clublog.freshdesk.com/support/solutions) and search for 'African states - independence dates and prefix changes'. "This is quite a substantial document, pulling together information from a wide variety of sources. Although I have checked the document as carefully as I can, it is possible that it contains some errors. Please advise if you find any".

DXCC NEWS ---> TX5K (Clipperton Island, 2013 operation) has been approved for DXCC credit. If you've had this rejected in a prior application, send a note to bmoore[@]arrl.org (http://arrl.org) to be placed on the list for an update to your record. Please note the submission date and/or reference number where the rejection was noted to expedite the search for any rejected QSOs. [TNX NC1L]

QSCOPE ---> Yan, XV4Y is working on a new project called QScope. It is an online application that provides statistics and charts from amateur radio logs (ADIF and Cabrillo).While designed with contesting in mind, most of the statistics will be useful for DXpeditions and DXers alike. Registration and access to the website (www.qscope.org (http://www.qscope.org)) are free.

QSL VIA HA3JB ---> Gabor is the new QSL manager for A41PB and HC8/G8OFQ. QSL direct only (Kutasi Gabor, Siofok, Koch R. u. 10/A I/4, 8600, Hungary). An OQRS can be found at www.ha3jb.com/oqrs.html (http://www.ha3jb.com/oqrs.html)

QSL VIA PG5M ---> Gerben, PG5M has enabled an Online QSL Request Service for direct and bureau cards on his website (http://www.dx.to/oqrs/). The OQRS can be used for 3D2GM, 9M2/PG5M, 9M2/PG5M/6, 9Q5MA, C56M, PA0GAM/9L, PA0GAM/OH0, PA0GAM/OH0/OJ0, PG5M/BA4RF, PJ2/PG5M, ST2X, SV9/PG5M, T2G, T30GM, V8FGM and VK9GA, as well as for Gerben's upcoming operations as T8GM and V6G [425DXN 1157].

QSL VIA W5UE ---> Randy, W5UE now has an online log search and OQRS web Application (http://w5ue.net/qsl-w5ue- logsrch.html (http://w5ue.net/qsl-w5ue-logsrch.html)) for many of the stations he manages. Logs currently online include 9V1YC, 9V9HQ, AK6W, EY3M, EY8ZE, HC8GR, HC8N, NA5NN and ZP5YW. 9V1YC's upcoming DXpedtion to Laos (XW1YC) will also be supported, with daily updates.

YC9MLL ---> Leo, YC9MLL will be leaving Flores Island (OC-151) in 2-3 months' time. "I will try to keep Flores on the air as long as I can", he says. Island chasers who need OC-151 might want to contact Leo (email address on qrz.com (http://qrz.com)) and arrange a sked with him. QSL via M0OXO. [TNX K3EST]

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QSLs received direct or through managers: 3C0E, 3C6A, 3DA0TM, 4O/UA3RF/p (EU-163), 5W0NM, 5X8C, 6O3A, 6Y5/G3SWH, 8Q7DV, 8Q7KP,9M2FB (AS-074), 9X0ZM, BP0A (AS-103), D2QR, D64K, EA9UG, ER7HQ, EX8MLE, F5VHY, FO/UT6UD (OC-027 and OC-050), H40T, H44AJ (OC-285), H44G, HC3/DL5YWM (SA-034), HD8A,

HK0/F6BFH, HK1/F6BFH, J28AA, J75PX, J85K, JG8NQJ/JD1, JT1CO, K1VSJ
(NA-046), KH6FOC, LA5O (EU-076), LT5X (SA-049), OH1TD (EU-096), OJ0R, PJ4V,
RI1ANU, ST2SF, T49C, T6T, TA1ED/0 (AS-154), TK9R, TM1F (EU-095), TO5PX,
TX5K, UK1PGO, VP8LP, VR2XMT, VU7KV, XV1X, XW1B, XW4XR, YI1RZ, YR0HQ, Z320G,
Z6/SP5CJQ, Z80ID, ZD8LP.

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21597. 425 DX Calendar - #1165

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21598. Report SIDC Ursigram

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Date: 2013-08-31 14:01:04 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21598

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:Issued: 2013 Aug 31 1204 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30831
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 31 Aug 2013, 1208UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 31 Aug 2013 until 02 Sep 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Minor storm expected (A>=30 or K=5)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 31 Aug 2013 10CM FLUX: 108 / AP: 011
PREDICTIONS FOR 01 Sep 2013 10CM FLUX: 109 / AP: 017
PREDICTIONS FOR 02 Sep 2013 10CM FLUX: 110 / AP: 011
COMMENT: Solar activity was quiet the last 24 hours, but eruptive conditions are
expected especially from AR NOAA 11835 has a possibility in producing an
M-class flare. Current Solar Wind speed is around 420 km/s and the
interplanetary magnetic filed Bz component is around -5 nT. Geomagnetic
conditions where quiet in the past 24 hours, but are expected to reach up
to minor storm (K=5) levels in the evening of August 31st.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 049, BASED ON 15 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 30 Aug 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 108
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 025
AK WINGST : 012
ESTIMATED AP : 012
ESTIMATED ISN : 046, BASED ON 23 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21599. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-09-01 14:01:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21599

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:Issued: 2013 Sep 01 1210 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30901
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 01 Sep 2013, 1209UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 01 Sep 2013 until 03 Sep 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Active conditions expected (A>=20 or K=4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 01 Sep 2013 10CM FLUX: 109 / AP: 022
PREDICTIONS FOR 02 Sep 2013 10CM FLUX: 110 / AP: 013
PREDICTIONS FOR 03 Sep 2013 10CM FLUX: 111 / AP: 008
COMMENT: Solar activity was eruptive featuring 1 C-class flare (C2.6) originating
from AR NOAA 11836. Both AR NOAA 11835 and NOAA 11836 have a possibility
in producing M-class flares. A partial halo CME was detected by LASCO C2
on August 31st around 20:48 UT which could be assiociated with the C2.6
flare. This CME is mainly westward directed (possibly only a glancing
blow) and due to the relative slow speed of 400 km/s will probably not have
any influence on geomagnetic conditions. Current solar wind speed is
around 550 km/s and the interplanetary magnetic field Bz component is
around 0 nT. Geomagnetic conditions where quiet in the past 24 hours, but
the CME of August 30th 2:48 UT might still arrive and potentially result in
minor storm levels (K=5). The CME of of August 29th 06:00 UT is expected
to arrive with a shock on September 2d in the evening resulting in active
conditions (K=4).
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 049, BASED ON 07 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 31 Aug 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 108
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 021
AK WINGST : 013
ESTIMATED AP : 014
ESTIMATED ISN : 052, BASED ON 20 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 25th-August, through Sunday, 1st-September there were 229 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3B9, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 3X, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4W, 4X, 5A, 5B, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5W, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7X, 8P, 8Q, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9V, 9X, 9Y, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C5, C9, CE, CE0Y, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, F, FG, FH, FK, FM, FO, FR, FS, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, H40, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HC8, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J6, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KH8, KH9, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PY, PZ, S2, S5, S7, S9, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV/a, SV5, SV9, T5, T7, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TN, TR, TT, TU, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK9N, VP2E, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XW, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, Z8, ZA, ZB, ZD7, ZD8, ZD9, ZF, ZL, ZL7, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

3B9, RODRIGUEZ ISLAND (Just A Reminder). By the time you read this, members of the Verona DX Team will be active as 3B9EME from Rodriguez Island (AF-017) until September 13th. They will have 2 stations on at the same time on the HF bands, with an emphasis on 160/80/40/30/17/12

meters, using CW, SSB, RTTY, JT65hf and PSK31. Also, some EME activity on 144 and 432 MHz. See OPDX.1122 for suggested frequencies. For more details and the QSL route, visit the 3B9EME Web site at: http://www.ari.verona.it/veronadxteam/3b9_2013.htm

8Q, MALDIVES. Operators Christian/DL2MDU and his XYL Heike/DO3HDA will be active as 8Q7CF from Biyadhoo Island Resort between September 15-27th. Activity will be holiday style on 80-10 meters, possibly 160 meters if they can use a long wire, and they will use an Elecraft K3. Christian will operate mainly CW, while Heike will operate on SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via DL2MDU.

A2, BOTSWANA. Operators Arnold/WB6OJB and Frosty/K5LBU will be active as A25JK and A25CF, respectively, from the Lotsane Gameand Safari Lodge in the extreme eastern part of Botswana between September 5-12th. They plan on having two stations set up and running, but the A25JK will be the main station. Look for A25JK to operate SSB on 20/17/15/12/10 meters and possibly 40 and 75 meters. K5LBU will be operating some PSK on whatever bands might be open and A25JK is not on. QSL via their home callsigns.

A3, TONGA. Masato "Masa", JA0RQV, will once again be active from Tonga, but this time as A35JP/N and from Niuatoputapu Island (OC-191) between September 19-24th. This operation will be depending on weather and flight to the island, and on the air will be limited because of limited supply of electric power. Operations will be on 80-6 meters using CW and SSB. His rig is an IC-7000 (100w) and GP Full-size. In case his flight is cancelled, Masa might be active from Tongatapu Island (OC-049) or Haapai Island (OC-169) or Vavau Island (OC-064) instead. QSL via his home callsign, by the Bureau, direct or LoTW. For more info, visit Masa's Web page from his last trip at: http://www.sato3.com/a35jp/index.html

ASIAN TOUR. Pekka, OH2YY, will activate Nepal (9N) between October 2-5th. He has applied for the callsign 9N2YY, but the final confirmation will take place upon arrival in Nepal. After Nepal, between October 6-10th, Pekka will be visiting the Kingdom of Bhutan (A5). He has been assigned a Bhutanese license with a callsign A52YY. Both in Nepal and Bhutan, Pekka will be traveling mainly during the daytime hours, but during his evenings and nights, he will be active on 20-10 meters using SSB. He cannot take any amplifier or yagis with him, so the operations will be basically with a 100w transceiver and dipoles. QSL via OH2YY, by the SRAL Bureau or direct to: Pekka Ahlqvist, Vapaalanpolku 8B, 01650 Vantaa, Finland. or via SRAL QSL bureau. Also, he will use LoTW.

CE0Y, EASTER ISLAND. Operators Jose/CE0HYO, Gustavo/CX2AM, Humberto/CX3AN, Gustavo/CX3CE, Mario/CX4CR, Gen/EA5HPX and Francisco/EA7FTR will be active from Hanga Roa, Easter Island, between November 1-7th. Callsign has not yet been announced. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. They will have 3 stations operating simultaneously. QSL via EB7DX. They have a Web site available at: http://easterisland2013.com

D4, CAPE VERDE. Operators Babs/DL7AFS and Lot/DJ7ZG will be active as D44TXT from Santiago Island (AF-005) between October 19th and November 7th. Activity will be on 80-6 meters using SSB, RTTY and PSK31. QSL via DL7AFS.

DXCC NEWS. Bill Moore, NC1L, ARRL Awards Branch Manager, reports that the following operations are approved for DXCC credit:
TX5K ☐ Clipperton Island; 2013 Operation
XZ1Z ☐ Myanmar; 2013 Operation

NOTE: If you've had this rejected in a prior application, send a note to <bmoore@...> to be placed on the list for an update to your record. Also, please note the submission date and/or reference number where the rejection was noted to help expedite the search for any rejected QSOs.

E6, NIUE. Operators Alan/VK4WR and Graeme/VK4FI will once again be active as E6RQ and E6SG, respectively, from the Coral Gardens Motel, Alofi, Niue (OC-040), between December 7-17th. Activity will be on the HF bands. Alan informs OPDX [edited], "Our operation is primarily for 6 meters as we are going in the middle of the southern hemisphere sporadic E season. Hopefully, there will also be TEP into Asia and who knows what else on the magic band. We will have some HF, am taking an OCF dipole for 40 through 10 meters and plan to have a play in the ARRL 10meter Contest. 100 Watts only." QSL both callsigns via VK4FI.

FO, FRENCH POLYNESIA (IOTA Tour). Yoshi, JJ8DEN, will once again be active as FO/KH0PR between September 3-25th. He will activate the following French Polynesian Tuamotu Islands as follows:
September 3-8th - Ahe Atoll (OC-131)
September 9-16th - Napuka Atoll (OC-094)
September 18-25th - Reao Atoll (OC-238)
Activity will be on 80-10 meters using CW and the Digital modes. QSL via JJ8DEN, direct or by the Bureau.

HP0, PANAMA (IOTA Tour). Operators Christian/EA3NT, Raul/EA5KA, Vincent/F4BKV and Col/MM0NDX, from the Invoker Team, will activate six Panamanian island groups as HP0INT(/1,2,3,4 or 9) between September 5-19th. Activity will be on 40-10 meters using CW and SSB. The team tentative schedule is as follows:
September 5-8th - Naos Island (NA-072); callsign HP0INT/1; evening only
September 6-8th - Boca Brava Island (NA-071); callsign HP0INT/3
September 9-11th - Ogobsibu (San Blas) Island (NA-170); callsign HP0INT/2
September 11-13th - Grande Island (NA-202); callsign HP0INT/2
September 13-15th - Iguana Island (NA-203); callsign HP0INT/9
September 16-18th - Colon [Bocas del Toro] (NA-088); callsign HP0INT/4

Please be careful with HP0INT/2 as it will be used from two different IOTA groups. Listen carefully to the operator to know the exact location/IOTA. Direct QSLs are via F4BKV (OQRS preferred) [if you use IRC, he only accepts the new model valid until 2017]. Bureau QSLs are via F5CWU (OQRS preferred). More details and the OQRS are available at: http://www.invokerteam.com/hp0int

IOTA NEWS.............
NA-124. Operators Manuel/XE2HUQ, Saul/XE2HQI, Craig/XE2HWJ and Jose/
XE2I will be active as XF1P from Partida Island between December
7-14th. More details to be forthcoming.

OC-109/ (POSTPONED) Operators John/YB5NOF, Anton/YB5QZ, Joni/YB9WZJ
OC-122. and YE5WM planned to activate Tambelan (OC-122) as YE5T between
August 28th and September 1st, and Natuna Selatan (OC-109) as
YE5S between September 4-9th. John, YB5NOF, informs OPDX that
this has been postponed. They hope to do all they can to try
to activate the IOTAs at the end of September or early October,
but is depends on the weather, transport and the renewal of
their licences.

IOTA PACIFIC TOUR CONTINUES (Update). By the time you read this, Ralph,
H44RK, is expected to be active as H40IOTA from Vanikolo Island (OC-163)
for only 2-3 days. Activity will probably be on 40/20/15 meters SSB.
Ralph informs OPDX that he will head to Vanuatu (YJ) and operate as YJ0RK
as well as activate a few more IOTAs. He states that he will activate
Torres Island (OC-110) first and then Banks Island (OC-104). No set dates
are known at this time. Ralph states, "We will be cruising Vanuatu waters
(on the "SV Hafskip") for about 2 months before we continue via New
Caledonia back to VK4-land. QSL H40IOTA and YJ0RK via NR6M.

ISWL CALLSIGNS (For September). The following ISWL club callsigns will be
used throughout the month of September 2013:

GX4BJC/A - Operated from Ivybridge, in Devon, by Peter, G4VFG (ISWL
Honorary Secretary). (WAB Square SX65, England; IOTA
EU-005 and WLOTA LH-1841).

MX1SWL/A - Operated from Hove, in Sussex, by George, G3VBE. (WAB
Square TQ20, England; IOTA EU-005 and WLOTA LH-1841).

ALL QSLs will be handled by Herbie, G6XOU, and NOT the individual
operator. The I.S.W.L. is a member of the European PSK Club. All QSL
info is on <www.iswl.org.uk> or <www.qrz.com> or via <www.eQSL.cc>.
NO LoTW. I.S.W.L. Awards are available to all Hams and SWLs, see
<www.iswl.org.uk> for full details. The eQSL.cc cards ARE welcomed for
their awards.

KH9, WAKE ISLAND (Update). Tentative dates (Wake Time-Zone Dates) have
been posted on the K9W Web page <www.wake2013.org>. The team expects to
arrive on October 5th, set up on October 6th, operate on October 7th,
stop/teardown on October 18th and depart on October 19th. Also suggested
frequencies are:
CW - 1826.5, 3523, 5405, 7023, 10103, 14023, 18079, 21023, 24894 and 28023
SSB - 3790, 5403.5, 7082, 14185, 18140, 21285, 24955 and 28485
RTTY - 3580, 7035, 10142, 14080,18099, 21080, 24912 and 28080 kHz
6M - 50107/CW and 50107/SSB

OJ0, MARKET REEF (Update/Change). Pasi, OH3WS, will be on Market Reef
(EU-053) as a voluntary worker between September 7-13th, and will be

active as OJ0W during his spare time. Activity will be on 40-10 meters mostly CW. QSL via OH3WS, by the Bureau or direct to: Pasi Bergman, Tuulipolku 4, 13500 Finland. ADDED NOTE. A YL Mirja (not Pasi's YL) will be there on the Reef with him and was very interested in HAM radio in Sept. 2012. When they were there last time, she made some QSOs. Pasi states, "I will give her a possibility to make QSOs as a second operator on SSB. It has been a long time since OJ0 was QRV by any YL-operator. We'll see what happens."

ONLINE HAM RADIO LOG STATISTICS WEB SITE. Yan, XV4Y, runs as Web page called "QScope" <http://www.qscope.org/>. QScope.org is an online application that provides statistics and charts from HAM Radio logs. While some features are designed with contesting in mind, most of the statistics will be useful for DXers and DXpeditions. You just import your ADIF 2 or Cabrillo logs into QScope database and then browse the statistic and charts pages. The application allows for exporting your results in PDF and to share the web links to the charts you produced with your friends. QScope permits you to create as many containers as you want and import as many logs as you need into them, so you can classify or aggregate the data the way you want. QScope offers informations like:
- Number of QSOs, Operating Time
- Unique callsigns worked, unique DXCCs entities, CQ and ITU Zones
- Average and Maximum QSO Rates over periods of 10, 30 and 60 minutes
- Activity Map showing which band, mode, operating position was more productive during a contest
- Charts with number of QSOs per unique callsign, band, mode or operator
- Charts with number of Points per unique callsign, band, mode or operator
- Charts with number of QSOs per CQ and ITU Zones
- Charts showing hour by hour, the Number of QSOs and Points, Number of new CQ and new ITU Zones worked, Number of new DXCC entities and new Prefixes worked
- Charts with Operating Time per band, mode or operator with parameter for pause duration
- Charts showing minute by minute how much was your QSO Rate for your whole log, per operator or per band, with parameter for the sample duration from 5 minutes to 60 minutes
- Charts with Maximum QSO Rates per band, mode or operator with parameter for the sample duration from 5 minutes to 60 minutes

* Note that the informations you can display depends on the data available in your logfile. ADIF logs containing more details than Cabrillo.

More features and statistics are planned to be included in future versions. Suggestions are welcome. Registration and access to the website are free.

PACIFIC TOUR (EME Op). Hermann, DL2NUD, will once again be active from the Pacific, this time as H44HP from Solomon Islands and YJ9HP from Vanuatu sometime in October and November (dates and specific islands not provided). Activity will be focused on VHF Bands for EME QSOs. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (September 2-8th)....
Sep/02nd AN Sep/05th AN Sep/07th AN
Sep/03rd AN Sep/06th AN Sep/08th AN
Sep/04th AN

SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS/INDEXES AND GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE
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NORMALITY GEOMAG K Values Alpha
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AN - Above Normal Quiet K=0-1 0-7
HN - High Normal Unsettled K=2 8-15
LN - Low Normal Active K=3 16-29
BN - Below Normal Minor Storm K=4 30-49
DIS - Disturbed Major Storm K=5 50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed Severe Storm K=6-9 100-400

*** ADDED NOTE: Has anyone heard or seen from Lee, KH6BZF? Your editor has been sending him E-mails for 3 weeks and has not received an answer......

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
HS4AK via E20YLM
HS5AM via HS5IGY

Randy, W5UE, reports [edited], "I now have an online log search and OQRS Web application for many of the stations I manage. Logs currently online: 9V1YC, 9V9HQ, AK6W, EY3M, EY8ZE, HC8GR, HC8N, NA5NN and ZP5YW. 9V1YC's upcoming DXpedition to Laos (XW1YC) will also be supported. Daily updates from James is anticipated while he is QRV from XW. The Web link is <http://w5ue.net/qsl-w5ue-logsrch.html>.

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: None reported this week!

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 6O3A, FH5EJ, J28AA and UT1FG/MM

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 4O8A, 5B/DG6MFA, 9K2/SP4R, 9M6/N6MUF, 9N7CB, A65BB, CT7/DL5MFW, H40FN, H44MS, LX0RL, HS0ZGQ, MJ/DL2SBY, PJ2/DB5IJ, VP2MXF, SU/DJ5IW, TA4/DL2DXA, Z21LS and ZD8XF

SATELLITE ACHIEVEMENT. Congratulations to John, K8YSE, for working and confirming all 488 USA lower 48 States grids. John states, "Satellite operators come and go and grids come and go with them. A grid might have a very active operator in it and then it is off the air when that person goes away for whatever reason. Interestingly, about half of the 488 grids that were worked were from those operating portable, not in the sense of using a radio with batteries, but in the traditional sense of operating away from their home station location. Once you have experienced being on the other end of a small pileup, you will want to do it again." He also states, "I started with satellites in June 2006 and only had 47 USA grids by August 2008. From August 2008 till Jan 2009 I worked another 109. In 2009 199 were worked. 2010 was 76 and 2011 was 44. Only 4 new grids were worked in 2012 and 9 were snagged in 2013." John is possibly the first person to ever work all 488 USA lower 48 States grids (at least

in the past 10 years) on the satellites. HOWEVER, the sad part about this is there is NOT an award for this wonderful accomplishment.

SOUTHEAST TOUR. The "DX-World.net" reports that operators Fusa/JR3CNQ and Take/JS6RRR will be active from Singapore (9V1 - IOTA AS-019) and West Malaysia (9M2) on the following dates:
September 20-21st and 23rd - Callsigns 9V1/JR3CNQ and 9V1/JS6RRR
September 21-23rd - Callsigns 9M2/JR3CNA & 9M2/JS6RRR
Activity will be on 40-10 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. In case of heavy rain or other conditions, the operation conditions may vary. QSL via their home callsigns (see QRZ.com).

T10, TRANSNISTRIA. Vladimir, UA4WHX, is now active as T10VB from the breakaway territory between the River Dniester and the eastern Moldovan border with Ukraine called "Transnistria". They declare independence in 1990 from the Republic of Moldova. You can read more about Transnistria at: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Transnistria
http://www.transnistria.info
Currently, Transnistria is NOT a DXCC entity because it does not meet the current DXCC Criteria. Vladimir started his activity on Friday, August 30th, and has been on 80/40/30/20/17/15 meters mainly on CW but some SSB. QSL via UA4WHX.

T32, EAST KIRIBATI (Update). Tim, NL8F, will be active as T32TM from East Kiribati between November 26th and December 11th. He states that he is bringing an IC-7000 with an ALS600, and is working on getting a CrankIR vertical (if this does not work, it will be Butternut HFV9 vertical on the beach). Activity during the first week Tim will be using T32TM. QSL via K8NA. During the second week, he will join up with the T32RRC team (4-5 guys) on Kiritimati Island (OC-024), and they will be bringing more radios and antennas. A Web site is still under construction.

T8, PALAU. Madison, W5MJ, will be "on another sole DX adventure" to Palau as T88TV between September 10-16th. Activity will be CW only on all bands with an emphasis on 80 and 160 meters. He will use an inverted L, with 500 watts and a tuner. He mentions, "Palau is nine hours ahead of GMT". QSL via W5MJ.

V5, NAMIBIA. David, BA4DW, is now active as V5/BA4DW from Windhoek until September 6th. Reports indicate that his activity will be holiday style with a focus on Asia on 20 meters using CW and SSB. However, QSNs show that he has been mainly on 15 meters CW. QSL via his home callsign.

VQ9, CHAGOS ISLAND. By the time you read this, Kazeno, JO1GWT/KJ6ZHM, will be active as VQ9KA near Diego Garcia until September 8th. Look for his activity to be on the following specific days: September 1st, 2nd, 7th and 8th, starting at 0300z. He states that if it rains there will be no operation. Operations will be on 40-10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via JO1GWT, direct or by the Bureau.

YO, ROMANIA (WFF Op). A Hungarian group along with YO5AJR, will operate from the Muntii Maramuresului (Maramarosi NP.) [YOFF-023] between September

6-8th. The members of the group are: Istvan/HA0KA (team leader), Pista/
HA0DI, Mate/HA0MT and Miki/YO5AJR (and possibly laci/HA0HW Laci). Activity
will be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via
their home callsigns, by the Bureau or direct.

XW, LAOS. Just a reminder that operators Steve/9M6DXX and James/9V1YC
will operate as XW8XZ and XW1YC, respectively, from Vientiane between
September 5-10th. They plan to have two stations on the air. XW8XZ
activity will be on SSB and XW1YC will mainly be CW with some SSB. QSL
XW8XZ via M0URX and XW1YC via W5UE. ADDED NOTE: It has been reported
that operators George/EA2TA, Christian/EA3NT, Raul/EA5KA, Vincent/F4BKV,
Don/G3XTT and Col/MM0NDX are joining Steve and James and now plan to
operate five stations on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. OPDX has
not verified this yet.

XW, LAOS (And JARL Ham Fair Wrap-Up!!). Champ, E21EIC, informs OPDX
[edited], "I had very great time at the JARL Ham Fair 2013, and it was
very nice to attend the Japan DX meeting 2013 which had many famous hams
attending: OH2BH, NN1N, W6VNR/ZF2AH, KK6EK, DS4EOI, DF2OO and JAs hams.
All Story and pictures will show up on RAST website <http://www.qsl.net/rast>
and I operated as JH1TEQ from the best station in the world from JH1AJT
Zorro's station. I made about 400 QSOs, and QSL will be sent automatically
via the Bureau." He also states to look for XW0YJY in the All Asian DX
SSB Contest (September 7-8th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry.
QSL via E21EIC.

XZ, MYANMAR (Update). Zorro, JH1AJT, will be in Nay Pyi Taw, Myanmar,
between September 18-23rd, signing XZ1Z again. He has spotted a better
location on top of a 1557 ft. hill, and expects to have better signals.
He will bring a 10-15-20m tri-band Yagi in addition to the GPs used
last month. The operation will be mainly CW this time and focus on NA/SA.
In mid November, the Foundation for Global Children (FGC) will have a
multi-national team DXpedition to Myanmar for about 10 days with three to
four stations, 24 hours, 160□10 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital
modes. Stay tuned! QSL via ClubLog OQRS (preferred) or JH1AJT.

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Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=unsubscribe>
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From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21601

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SOLAR FLARES : Active (M-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 02 Sep 2013 10CM FLUX: 104 / AP: 011
PREDICTIONS FOR 03 Sep 2013 10CM FLUX: 104 / AP: 012
PREDICTIONS FOR 04 Sep 2013 10CM FLUX: 104 / AP: 015
COMMENT: Solar activity has been eruptive during the past 24 hours, featuring one
C1.7 flare from NOAA AR 11834 peaking at 14:20 UT. More C flares from NOAA
AR 11834 and 11836 are likely within the next 48 hours, with a slight
chance for an M flare. Solar wind speed rose from about 460 to 580 km/s
around 6h UT on September 1, possibly due to the effects of the CME of
August 30. Solar wind speeds later decreased to about 430 km/s and climbed
to a peak of 520 km/s around 3h UT on September 2. Current wind speed lies
around 420 km/s. Meanwhile, the Interplanetary Magnetic Field varied
between 2 and 6 nT. Solar wind may experience the influence of a small
Coronal Hole on September 4. The geomagnetic activity was at quiet levels
(K Dourbes between 1 and 3; NOAA Kp between 2 and 3) during the past 24
hours. Quiet conditions (K Dourbes < 4) are expected for September 2 and 3.
Quiet to active conditions are possible on September 4, due to the effects
of a Coronal Hole high speed stream.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 058, BASED ON 11 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 01 Sep 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 104
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 017
AK WINGST : 012
ESTIMATED AP : 012
ESTIMATED ISN : 052, BASED ON 19 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21602. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-09-03 14:01:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21602

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:Issued: 2013 Sep 03 1232 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30903
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 03 Sep 2013, 1209UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 03 Sep 2013 until 05 Sep 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 03 Sep 2013 10CM FLUX: 104 / AP: 006
PREDICTIONS FOR 04 Sep 2013 10CM FLUX: 104 / AP: 019
PREDICTIONS FOR 05 Sep 2013 10CM FLUX: 104 / AP: 008
COMMENT: Solar activity has been quiet during the past 24 hours, featuring no C
flares. There is a chance for C flares within the next 48 hours. The solar
wind speed decreased from 420 to 380 km/s in the past 24 hours. In the same
period, the Interplanetary Magnetic Field rose from 5 to 9 nT. The
geomagnetic activity was at quiet levels (K Dourbes between 0 and 2; NOAA
Kp between 1 and 3) during the past 24 hours. Quiet conditions (K Dourbes <
4) are expected for September 3 and 4, with a chance for active periods
from the second half of September 4 onwards, due to the effects of a
Coronal Hole high speed stream.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 051, BASED ON 14 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 02 Sep 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 106
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 012
AK WINGST : 008
ESTIMATED AP : 010
ESTIMATED ISN : 058, BASED ON 18 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21603. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-09-04 14:01:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21603

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:Issued: 2013 Sep 04 1215 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30904
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 04 Sep 2013, 1209UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 04 Sep 2013 until 06 Sep 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 04 Sep 2013 10CM FLUX: 108 / AP: 008
PREDICTIONS FOR 05 Sep 2013 10CM FLUX: 110 / AP: 017
PREDICTIONS FOR 06 Sep 2013 10CM FLUX: 112 / AP: 007
COMMENT: Solar activity has been eruptive during the past 24 hours, featuring nine C
flares. The brightest flare (C3.6) peaked at 04:28 UT on September 4 and
was produced by NOAA AR 11837 like most C flares in this period. More C
flares are likely within the next 48 hours, with a slight chance for an M
flare, especially from NOAA AR 11837. The solar wind speed ranged between
380 and 480 km/s in the past 24 hours. In the same period, the
Interplanetary Magnetic Field decreased from around 8 to 4 nT. The
geomagnetic activity was at quiet levels (K Dourbes between 1 and 3; NOAA
Kp between 1 and 3) during the past 24 hours. Quiet conditions (K Dourbes <
4) are expected for September 4 to 6, with a chance for active periods on
September 5, due to the effects of a Coronal Hole high speed stream.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 052, BASED ON 14 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 03 Sep 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 106
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 013
AK WINGST : 008
ESTIMATED AP : 007
ESTIMATED ISN : 051, BASED ON 21 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21604. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-09-05 14:01:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21604

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:Issued: 2013 Sep 05 1230 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30905
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 05 Sep 2013, 1209UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 05 Sep 2013 until 07 Sep 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 05 Sep 2013 10CM FLUX: 112 / AP: 006
PREDICTIONS FOR 06 Sep 2013 10CM FLUX: 114 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 07 Sep 2013 10CM FLUX: 114 / AP: 007
COMMENT: Solar activity has been eruptive during the past 24 hours, featuring a C1.3
flare from NOAA AR 11836 peaking at 21:35 UT on September 4. More C flares
are likely within the next 48 hours, with a slight chance for an M flare,
especially from NOAA AR 11836. The solar wind speed ranged between 420 and
470 km/s in the past 24 hours. In the same period, the Interplanetary
Magnetic Field was low around 4 to 5 nT. The geomagnetic activity was at
quiet levels (K Dourbes between 0 and 2; NOAA Kp between 0 and 2) during
the past 24 hours. Quiet conditions (K Dourbes < 4) are expected for
September 5 to 7.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 044, BASED ON 12 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 04 Sep 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 109
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 009
AK WINGST : 006
ESTIMATED AP : 005
ESTIMATED ISN : 054, BASED ON 22 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21605. ARLD036 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-09-05 22:42:30 UTC
From: jjreisert@...
Topic: 6057 Message: 21605

SB DX @ ARL $ARLD036
ARLD036 DX news

ZCZC AE36
QST de W1AW
DX Bulletin 36 ARLD036
>From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT September 5, 2013
To all radio amateurs

SB DX ARL ARLD036
ARLD036 DX news

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by NC1L, SV4FFL, QRZ DX, the OPDX Bulletin, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, DXNL, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

CROATIA, 9A. Dave, K1ZZ is QRV as 9A/K1ZZ until September 7. QSL to home call.

BOTSWANA, A2. Arnold, WB6OJB and Frosty, K5LBU are QRV as A25JK and A25CF, respectively, from the Lotsane Game and Safari Lodge until September 12. Activity is on 80 to 10 meters using SSB and PSK with two stations. QSL A25JK direct via WB6OJB and A25CF via K5LBU.

ANDORRA, C3. Members of the new association Associacio Radioaficionats Divulgant Andorra al Mon will be QRV using special event call C37AC on September 7 and 8 during the festivities in Meritxell. QSL direct.

ST. PIERRE ET MIQUELON, FP. Peter, DJ4TC and Hermann, DL2NUD will be QRV as FP/home calls from Miquelon Island, IOTA NA-032, from September 10 to 21. Activity will be primarily on 2 meters, 70 and 23 cm using JT65B and JT65C. QSL to home calls

MARKET REEF, OJ0. Pasi, OH3WS will be QRV as OJ0W from September 7 to 13 while doing volunteer work. Activity will be on 40 to 10 meters using CW and SSB in his spare time. QSL to home call.

PAPUA NEW GUINEA, P2. Akira, JA1NLX will be QRV as P29NVX from Lissneung Island, IOTA OC-008, from September 8 to 13. Activity will be on 30 to 10 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31. QSL direct to home call.

BANGLADESH, S2. Rana, S21R is active from Dhaka until mid September. Lately he has been active on 20 meters using SSB around

1400z. In addition, Sohel, S21S has been QRV on 20 meters also around 1400z. QSL S21R via N4VA and S21S via operator's instructions.

GREECE, SV. A group of operators are QRV as J44LH from the Trikeri Lighthouse on Point Kavoulia on the Pagasitikos Gulf until September 15. Activity is on 160 to 6 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK. QSL via SV4FFL.

PALAU, T8. Gerben, PG5M is QRV as T8GM from Koror, IOTA OC-009, until September 7. He will again be active from September 15 to 19. Activity is on 40 to 10 meters using CW. QSL to home call.

NAMIBIA, V5. Operators Hardy, DF3GY, and Hans, DF2UU will be QRV as V5/home calls from Omaruru from September 7 to 15. Activity will be on 160 to 6 meters using CW and SSB. They will be QRV as V55V in the IARU Region 1 SSB Field Day and the upcoming Worked All Europe SSB contests. QSL via DJ8VC.

MICRONESIA, V6. After his Palau activity, Gerben, PG5M will be QRV as V6G from Yap Island, IOTA OC-012, from September 8 to 15. Activity will be on 40 to 10 meters using CW. QSL to home call.

LAOS, XW. Operators 9M6DXX and 9V1YC are QRV as XW8XZ and XW1YC, respectively, from Vientiane until September 10. Activity is on 160 to 6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL XW8XZ via M0URX and XW1YC via W5UE. In addition, look for Champ, E21EIC to be QRV as XW0YJY in the All Asian DX Phone contest as a Single Op/All Band/Low Power entry. QSL to home call.

INDONESIA, YB. Operators Budi, YF1AR, Fan, YB0AI and Adhi, YB3MM will be QRV as home calls/9 from Pulaus Kimaam Island, IOTA OC-275, and the Kimaam Lighthouse, ARLHS IDO-148, from September 10 to 16. Activity will be on 40 to 10 meters using CW, SSB and digital modes with three stations active. QSL YF1AR/9 via N2OO, YB0AI/9 direct to home call and YB3MM/9 to home call.

ROMANIA, YO. Operators Istvan, HA0KA, Pista, HA0DI, Mate, HA0MT and Miki, YO5AJR are QRV as YO/home calls/p and YO5AJR/p from Munti Maramuresului until September 8. Activity is on 160 to 10 meters using CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL to home calls.

OPERATIONS APPROVED FOR DXCC CREDIT. The following operations have been approved for DXCC credit: Jordan, JY9FC, current operation beginning August 2013; Myanmar, XZ1Z, 2013 operation. If you've had XZ1Z rejected in a prior application, send a note to bmoore@... to be placed on this list for an update to your record.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The QRP CW Fox Hunt, NCCC RTTY Sprint Ladder, NCCC Sprint, PODXS 070 Club Jay Hudak Memorial 80-Meter Sprint, G3ZQS Memorial Straight Key CW Contest, All Asian DX Phone Contest, Russian World Wide RTTY Contest, Wake-Up. QRP CW Sprint,

SKCC Weekend CW Sprintathon, AGCW Straight Key CW Party, RSGB SSB Field Day, IARU Region 1 SSB Field Day, Ohio State Parks on the Air, QCWA Fall QSO Party, North American CW Sprint and the DARC 10-Meter Digital Contest will certainly keep contesters busy this upcoming weekend.

The CWops Mini-CWT CW Test, NAQCC-EU Monthly CW Sprint and RSGB 80-meter Club SSB Sprint are scheduled for September 11. Please see September QST, page 79, and the ARRL and WA7BNM contest web sites for details.
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21606. Historical DX List question

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-09-06 02:47:14 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 21606 Message: 21606

This question comes from a discussion we are having on the DX forum on eham.net. Does anyone on this list know the history of why Asiatic Russia (UA9-0) is counted as a separate DXCC entity from European Russia? What criteria were in place when it was added to the list that made it qualify as a separate entity? It doesn't have a separate political administration, and it isn't geographically far enough away from European Russia, nor is it separated by an intervening DXCC country.

73 John AF5CC

21607. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-09-06 14:01:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21607

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:Issued: 2013 Sep 06 1227 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30906
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 06 Sep 2013, 1209UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 06 Sep 2013 until 08 Sep 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 06 Sep 2013 10CM FLUX: 110 / AP: 006
PREDICTIONS FOR 07 Sep 2013 10CM FLUX: 110 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 08 Sep 2013 10CM FLUX: 110 / AP: 007
COMMENT: Solar activity has been eruptive during the past 24 hours, featuring two
low C flares from NOAA AR 11836 and 11837. More C flares are likely within
the next 48 hours, with a slight chance for an M flare. The solar wind
speed ranged between 380 and 470 km/s in the past 24 hours. In the same
period, the Interplanetary Magnetic Field was low around 3 to 5 nT. The
geomagnetic activity was at quiet levels (K Dourbes between 1 and 3; NOAA
Kp between 1 and 2) during the past 24 hours. Quiet geomagnetic conditions
(K Dourbes < 4) are expected for September 6 to 8.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 032, BASED ON 16 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 05 Sep 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 110
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 008
AK WINGST : 003
ESTIMATED AP : 003
ESTIMATED ISN : 045, BASED ON 19 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21608. ARLP036 Propagation de K7RA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-09-06 15:16:55 UTC
From: jjreisert@...
Topic: 6061 Message: 21608

SB PROP @ ARL $ARLP036
ARLP036 Propagation de K7RA

ZCZC AP36
QST de W1AW
Propagation Forecast Bulletin 36 ARLP036
>From Tad Cook, K7RA
Seattle, WA September 6, 2013
To all radio amateurs

SB PROP ARL ARLP036
ARLP036 Propagation de K7RA

Conditions were quieter again this week. Average daily sunspot numbers declined from 77 to 69, and average daily solar flux was off by 9.5 points to 106.9, when compared to the previous seven days, August 22-28.

Predicted solar flux for the near term is 105 on September 6-10, 100 on September 11-12, 110 on September 13, 120 on September 14-15, 115 on September 16-17, 110 on September 18, 105 on September 19-20, 110 on September 21-22, 105 on September 23-24, and 100 on September 25-28. It then is expected to reach a minor peak of 115 on October 4-5, then 120 on October 9-12.

These predictions come from a 45-day forecast. Yesterday, September 5, the solar flux was 110.1. The first prediction for that date in this series pegged it at 135, which maintained from July 22-28, then 105 on July 29 through August 4, 115 on August 5-11, 105 on August 12-18, 110 on August 19-28, 112 on August 29, 115 on August 30, 118 on August 31, 112 on September 1-2, and then they nailed it at 110 again on September 3-4. Note that these aren't the flux readings on those dates. They are the predicted values for September 5, as they varied from day to day in the daily forecast for the previous 45 days.

You can see those daily forecasts here:

http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/ftpmenu/forecasts/45DF.html

The planetary A index is in the same forecast. The latest has predicted planetary A index at 5 on September 6-8, 10 on September 9-10, 12 on September 11, 8 on September 12-14, 5 on September 15-16, then 12, 18 and 15 on September 17-19, 5 on September 20-22, and 8 on September 23-24.

The Autumnal Equinox (September 22 at 2044 UTC) is a little over two weeks away. Fall is always a great time for HF DX, when the sun casts an even glow over our northern and southern hemispheres. Although solar activity is weak, if this is Cycle 24's peak, now may be the best time for enjoying HF propagation for some years to come. Or the Sun could fool us again. Remember that day-to-day variations in solar activity can swing wildly above and below any predicted smoothed or averaged sunspot or solar flux number. But we haven't seen much of that lately.

F.K. Janda, OK1HH offers his geomagnetic forecast. Mostly quiet conditions September 6-7, quiet to unsettled September 8, quiet to active September 9, quiet to unsettled September 10, quiet to active September 11, active to disturbed September 12, quiet September 13, mostly quiet September 14, quiet September 15-16, quiet to active September 17, active to disturbed September 18, quiet to unsettled September 19-21, mostly quiet September 22, quiet to active September 23, quiet September 24-25, mostly quiet September 26, active to disturbed September 27, quiet to active September 28, mostly quiet September 29, quiet September 30, quiet to active October 1, and quiet on October 2.

Last week's Propagation Forecast Bulletin ARLP035 mentioned average sunspot numbers, but we were missing two days of data (from August 30-31) to get the complete average. As it turns out, those two days had low enough sunspot numbers that it actually dragged the 3-month moving average and the monthly average for August lower.

So the three month moving averages of sunspot numbers for periods ending in January through August 2013 were 82.8, 73.6, 80.7, 85.2, 106.4, 106.4, 97.5 and 85.6. The average daily sunspot number for the month of August was 90.2, up from 80.2 and 86.2 in June and July.

Thanks so much to Scott Bidstrup, TI3/W7RI in Costa Rica who sent a link to a fascinating article in Phys.Org News and Astronomy and Astrophysics about yet another failure to replicate earlier studies claiming a correlation between planetary positions and solar activity. In this case, the authors found several serious statistical errors in the earlier analysis. Read the article and abstract at,
http://phys.org/news/2013-09-evidence-planetary-solar.html and
http://www.aanda.org/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=966&Itemid=277.
Note that for a limited time, the full text of the paper is available for free by clicking on the "Register Now" button on that last page.

NASA has an updated prediction for sunspot Cycle 24, and like last month, they predict the peak for Summer 2013 (that's now!) but they have downgraded the expected smoothed sunspot number from 67 to 66. Read it and weep at,
http://solarscience.msfc.nasa.gov/predict.shtml. They do not have

any archive of past predictions, but never fear, I have been keeping careful track.

A year ago, they sounded an optimistic note, when the September 2012 update changed from a peak of 60 in Spring 2013 to a peak of 76 in Fall 2013.

A month later in October it changed to a peak of 75 in Fall 2013, then in November it dropped to 73 in Fall 2013. In December the number was revised to 72, and in January 2013 the predicted peak was changed to 69. February's prediction was unchanged, then March 2013 revised the peak down again to 66. April and May were unchanged, and in June the prediction was revised upward from a peak of 66 in Fall 2013 to a peak of 67 in Summer 2013. July and August were unchanged, and now we have the number back down a point in again to 66 in September.

Lawrence, GJ3RAX sent us more nice VHF reports from the British Isles. The first, in an email on August 30:

"Sporadic-E openings on 6 m are starting to become quite rare at this time of year. I thought that the one on August 12 was going to be the last one. I had some nice QSOs that day with IS0, OE1, F4, HA5, OK2 and EA6. After that I did not catch any more until last Wednesday August 28 when 6 m opened again. I then had 8 QSOs into Germany, 3 into OK, one each with OE and SP. Those were between 1430-1545 GMT. A friend of mine told me afterwards that he was also getting some good ones on 4 m which I did not bother to check. I would probably have missed the opening if I was not using my IC-756 Pro 2 which I had left on 6 m with the panoramic display visible when I glanced at it. Any signals that are strong enough to work with SSB show up well. I do not use any of the other modes.

"The next two days also showed propagation at times. On August 29 I had one QSO with CT1EUB at 1200 GMT. On August 30 I was in QSO with EA7/G0WHX at 1030 GMT. The band opened again later after a QSO with F6HRP, who is relatively local, at 1720 GMT followed by CT1FJC.

"I have not had any QSOs on the HF bands recently. I listen at times but rarely hear anything on the bands from 17 m to 10 m which seems very strange considering that we are at about the peak of this solar cycle. I used to keep skeds on 17 m with friends in the USA and Canada. My antenna on those bands is an old Cushcraft R5 at only 10 feet above the ground. On 20 m I usually hear some European activity but often without hearing anyone speaking English. Even 40 m seems quieter that it used to be as I used to use it as a chat band during daytime with those in other parts of the British Isles. I have not been on 80 m recently, even at night, and it seems to be years since I used Top Band.

"Thanks for mentioning our VHF and Microwave groups on Yahoo. After that both gained new members from the USA. The VHFandUHF group is

now up to 125 members."

And on September 6, another report:

"Every Tuesday evening there is a short VHF contest, organized by the RSGB, on a different band each week. They run from 8 pm to 10:30 pm local time, now still BST. This week, on September 3, it was on 2 m and conditions were interesting. I only come on for part of the contest each week as I never take them seriously from the competitive point of view. This time I started shortly after 9 pm and started with a QSO with an EI station, then G, GW and GD. My QSO with GD8EXI was my best DX that evening at about 356 miles, according to QRZ. After that it was all G stations apart from exchanging notes with some of the others here in GJ. One of them had worked up to GM but that might have been on CW. I only use SSB.

"I had heard reports of some of the more northern stations working down to EA8. I did hear weak signal from the north of England, towards the end of the contest, working an EA8 so I turned my beam south but did not hear anything.

"The contest next Tuesday evening will be on 70 cm: http://www.rsgbcc.org/vhf/.

"Wednesday morning, September 4, it was still good on 2 m and I worked 4 stations in the south of EI where it was mostly a sea path between us apart from a bit of Cornwall to get over. They were between 320 and 370 miles away. I also worked into the south of GW and a French station at about 200 miles near Paris. One of the EI stations wanted to try 70 cm as well although he knew that he had an antenna problem. We made it although it was rather marginal. Later he was able to fix the problem with his antenna so we tried again in the evening but nothing was heard. The region of high pressure had moved and it was raining at his end.

"I have heard nothing on 6 m since the QSOs on August 30 so it looks as if the Sporadic-E season is over and we are getting into the tropo season.

"There is the 144 MHz Trophy Contest this weekend on Saturday and Sunday. I am not expecting conditions to be good for that one but I will be on for some of the time but not while I am watching the F1 motor racing from Monza."

Thank you Lawrence.

Not hearing anything on 10 meters? Check out "Tony's 10 Metre Band Report" from G4CJC:

http://www.southgatearc.org/bands/10metres/september2013/september_05.htm#.UimEfD_VV9M.

If you would like to make a comment or have a tip for our readers, email the author at, k7ra@....

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service web page at, http://arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals. For an explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin, see http://arrl.org/the-sun-the-earth-the-ionosphere. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at http://arrl.org/w1aw-bulletins-archive-propagation. More good information and tutorials on propagation are at http://k9la.us/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://arrl.org/propagation.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of ARRL bulletins are at http://arrl.org/bulletins.

Sunspot numbers for August 29 through September 4 were 55, 62, 60, 71, 84, 74, and 77, with a mean of 69. 10.7 cm flux was 108.8, 107.5, 107.5, 103.8, 105.6, 106, and 109.3, with a mean of 106.9. Estimated planetary A indices were 3, 8, 11, 9, 10, 7, and 6, with a mean of 7.7. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 4, 7, 11, 10, 11, 8, and 9, with a mean of 8.6.
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21609. 425 DX News - #1166

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-09-06 16:10:38 UTC
From: K9OR
Topic: 21609 Message: 21609

07 September 2013 A.R.I. DX Bulletin
No 1166
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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** DX INFORMATION ****
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Edited by I1JQJ & IK1ADH
Direttore Responsabile I2VGW

3D2_rot- Andy, LZ2HM will join the 27 September-11 October expedition to Rotuma [425DXN 1157]. He will be active as 3D2RA on CW, SSB and digital modes (including participation in the CQ WW RTTY Contest), with "special activity" on 6m JT65A via EME. QSL via LZ2HM. Further information can be found at www.3d2gc.com
4O - Gab, HA3JB will operate CW, RTTY and SSB as 4O/HG3IPA from Budva, Montenegro on 23-30 September. He will be active during the CQ WW RTTY Contest, and he also plans a side trip to Sveti Nikola Island (EU-163) during that time frame. QSL via HA3JB (direct). [TNX HA3JB]
8Q - Chris, DL2MDU and his wife Heike, DO3HDA will be active as 8Q7CF from Biyadhoo, Maldives (AS-013) on 15-27 September. They will operate CW, SSB and digital modes on 80-10 metres. QSL via DL2MDU and LoTW. [TNX NG3K]
A3 - Masa, JA0RQV hopes to be active as A35JP from Niuatoputapu Island (OC-191) on 19-24 September. He will operate CW and SSB on 80-6 metres, running 100 watts into a full size GP, but he expects his activity to be affected by the limited supply of electric power on the island. This operation will also depend on weather and flight availability. If he cannot go to Niuatoputapu, he might be QRV from Tongatapu (OC-049), or Haapai (OC-169) or Vavau (OC-064) instead. QSL via JA0RQV, direct or bureau, and LoTW. [TNX JA0RQV]
C3 - The newly formed Associacio Radioaficionats Divulgant Andorra al Mon (ARDAM) will be active for the first time as C37AC on 7-8 September. QSL direct (see qrz.com) or LoTW.
CT9 - Matt, DJ8OG will be active from Madeira Island (AF-014) on 10-17 September. He will participate in the WAE DX SSB Contest (14-15 September) as CR3L (QSL via DJ6QT); outside the contest he will be signing CT9/DJ8OG, with activity on the HF bands and 6 metres. QSL CT9/DJ8OG via home call, direct or bureau, and LoTW.
EA6 - Piotr, SP2QCW will be active as EA6/SP2QCW from Mallorca Island (EU-004) from 15 September to 6 October. He will operate holiday style on the HF bands. QSL via home call. [TNX SP2QCW]
HB0 - Johannes, DF5AU will be active as HB0/DF5AU from Liechtenstein on 14-19 September. He will operate CW and SSB on the HF bands, with

a focus on the higher bands. QSL via DF5AU, direct or bureau, and LoTW. [TNX NG3K]
I - Look for Francesco IL7/IZ7KHR, Michele IL7/IZ7ECT, Umberto IL7/IK7SUO and Sabino IL7/IZ7XFC to be active from the Tremiti Islands (EU-050) on 7-8 September. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. [TNX DX Coffee]
I - Franco, IK4YCQ will be active as IL7/IK4YCQ from San Domino Island (EU-050) on 14-19 September. He will operate holiday style on 40-6 metres SSB. QSL via home call, bureau or direct. [TNX IK4YCQ]
JA - Taka, JA8COE will be active as JA8COE/8 from Yagishiri Island (AS-147) on 14-16 September. QSL via home call, bureau preferred. [TNX rsgbiota.org]
JW - DL2JIM, DL2JRM and DL5SE will be active as JW5E from Longyearbyen (EU-026), Svalbard on 13-16 September, including an entry in the WAE SSB Contest (14-15 September). QSL direct to Svalbardgruppen Av NRRL, P.O. Box 498, 9171 Longyearbyen, Norway. [TNX rsgbiota.org]
OJ0 - Pasi, OH3WS will on Market Reef (EU-053) as a voluntary worker on 7-13 September, and will be QRV in his spare time as OJ0W. He expects to operate CW and some SSB on 40-10 metres. QSL via OH3WS, direct or bureau. [TNX NG3K]
PJ4 - Frank, PH2M will be active as PJ4M from Bonaire (SA-006) on 13-26 September. QSL via PH2M.
PJ7 - Dave, AH6HY will be active holiday style as PJ7/AH6HY from Sint Maarten (NA-105) on 13-18 September. He will operate SSB on 15, 17 and 20 metres, primarily during his evening hours. QSL via home call. [TNX NG3K]
SV - SV4AAQ, SV4AFY, SV4FFK, SV4FFL, SV4FFO, SV4FFX and SV4/SV8GGI will be active as J44LH from the Trikeri Lighthouse on 7-10 September. They plan to be QRV on all bands and modes. QSL via SV4FFL (direct only). QSLling policy and other information can be found at http://j44lh.blogspot.com/
SV - Marek, SP5ISZ will be active holiday style as SV8/SP5ISZ from Milos Island (EU-067) on 12-24 September. QSL via home call, direct or bureau, plus LoTW and eQSL. [TNX rsgbiota.org]
UA - Dmitry UA0L QSL via IK2DUW), Yuri UA0LTE and Igor UB0LFM to operate from the Lazovsky Nature Reserve on 6-9 September. They will operate on the HF bands as homecall/p as well as RK0LXX/p. [TNX UA0L]
UA - UA9OBA, UA0LCZ, RU0LL, RU0LW and others will be active as R20RRC/0 from Russkiy Island (AS-066) on 6-10 September. They will operate CW and SSB on all bands, and will participate in the All Asian DX SSB Contest (7-8 September). QSL via RZ3EC. [TNX UA9OBA]
W - The Citrus Belt ARC presents the 14th annual Route 66 On The Air special event, celebrating the historic US Highway 66 (the 'Mother Road'). Amateur radio clubs using 1x1 callsigns (from W6B through W6T) will operate from cities along the highway on 7-15 September. Full information is available on http://www.w6jbt.org/2013site/
XZ - Zorro, JH1AJT will be active again as XZ1Z from Nay Pyi Taw, the

capital city of Myanmar, on 18-23 September. "He has spotted a
better location on top of a 1557 feet hill", JA1TRC says, "and
expect to have better signals. He will bring a 10-15-20m tri-band
Yagi, in addition to the GPs used last month". This time he will
operate mainly CW with a focus on North and South America. QSL via
Club Log OQRS (preferred) or JH1AJT.
In mid November, the Foundation for Global Children (FGC) will
conduct a multi-national team DXpedition to Myanmar for about ten
days. Plans are to have 3-4 stations QRV 24/7 on 160-10 metres CW,
SSB and digital modes. Further information is expected in due
course. [TNX JA1TRC]
YB - Adi YB9GV, Tris YB9IUS, Kardi YB9KA and Jan YC9JIN will be active
as homecall/p from Bungin Island (OC-150) on 6-8 September. They
will be QRV on 15 and 20 metres only. QSL via operator's
instructions. [TNX W2FB]
YB - The team for the YB9Y expedition to Bras Island (OC-276, new one)
[425DXN 1160] now includes 27 members (YB0AZ, YB0ECT, YB0JS,
YB0KVN, YB0TSU, YB1CCF, YB1GJS, YB1KAR, YB1MH, YB1PR, YB9SB,
YB9WR, YB9YZ, YC0KVM, YC0LLY, YC0RAN, YC1CDV, YC1CWK, YC1KAF,
YD1GCL, YD1JZ, YD1LUX, YD1MRI, YD1ORZ, YD1XUH, JA1PBV/WK1S and
PD9DX). Plans are to be QRV on 20-27 October, with several
stations on the HF bands and one station for 6 metres. The logs
will be uploaded to Club Log, hopefully during the expedition. QSL
via YB1GJS, direct or bureau (OQRS on Club Log). Further
information, including detail on how to contribute to
this
expensive project, can be found at www.yb9y.com [TNX PD9DX]
YO - A group from Hungary (HA0KA, HA0DI, HA0MT and possibly HA0HW)
along with Miki, YO5AJR will be active from the Maramures
Mountains Natural Park on 6-8 September. They will operate CW, SSB
and digital modes on all bands. QSL via home calls, direct or
bureau. [TNX HA0HW]
Z8 - Adding to the Z81X operation of last spring, Robert S53R will be
in Juba for a work assignment and will be involved with a
preparatory phase of Project Goodwill South Sudan. He will be
active in his spare time as Z81R on 10-14 September. QSL via
OH2BH. "The announcement of a much anticipated low-band operation
is only a few weeks away", Martti OH2BH says. "The multinational
team is busy getting the equipment and other material into South
Sudan".

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9M2SE ---> Pictures, video and wrap-up of the recent Malaysian Special
Expedition Team's activity as 9M2SE from Indah Island (AS-074) can be found
at http://9m2pju.blogspot.com [TNX 9M2PJU]

DXCC NEWS ---> JY9FC (Jordan, current operation beginning August 2013) and XZ1Z (Myanmar, 2013 operation) have been approved for DXCC credit. [TNX NC1L]

QSL GALLERY ---> The large collection of QSL cards on Les Nouvelles DX's web site has been updated. Fifteen different galleries include 11,368 cards for the ten Most Wanted DXCC Entities (2004-12), the 61 deleted DXCC Entities, obsolete prefixes, stations from Maghreb from 1945 to 1962, Allied Forces stations in Germany (1946-69), special stations commemorating ITU and IARU, Antarctic bases & TAAF (Terres Australes and Antarctiques Francaises), the various French DXCC island Entities in the Pacific Ocean, the Indian Ocean and the Americas (from 1945 to 1969), pre-1945 countries, French Departments and CONUS, plus a gallery for cards not accepted by DXCC. Your participation is encouraged - please visit www.LesNouvellesdx.fr [TNX F6AJA]

TRANSNISTRIA ---> Vladimir, UA4WHX has been active as T10VB since 30 August from Transnistria (http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Transnistria). Located between the River Dniester and the eastern Moldovan border with Ukraine, this breakaway territory has been governed as the Pridnestrovian Moldavian Republic since its declaration of independence from the Republic of Moldova in 1990. DXCC wise, it is not a separate Entity as it does not meet the current DXCC Criteria. QSL via UA4WHX.

+ SILENT KEYS + The contest and DX community at large mourns the loss of Steve Hodgson (ZC4LI), who passed away on 31 August. He was 69 and had been ill for some time.
Other recently reported Silent Keys include Emilio Salvador Cugnini (LU7MAL), Vitaly V. Davydov (RU9WR, ex UW9WR), Aleksandr M. Shiryaev (UA9XCM) and Anatolij G. Udod (UT0TT).

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3Z330VW SP6ZJP EG7SDC EA1AUM OX5T OZ0J
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4J20RO 4J6RO EH200D EA2URD P29LL EA7FTR
4J3DF RW6HS EH5DCI EB5GC R1150SM RV3LZ
4L8A K1BV EL2DT EL2FM R20RRC/6 RZ3EC
4O7ML DL3ML EM1000NLM UT7NI R290EK RV9CQ
4O7TC UA3TCJ EM150KV UT1KY R400R R7MP
5A1AL DL1AL EM70A UT7AXA R500AK RK3VWA

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9H3BF IT9DBF H70ORO TI4SU RO70TR R6LO
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9M2SE 9W2RUT HB30OK HB9OCR SV0XAO DJ5JH
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A65CF EA7FTR HK4AR RW6HS TM0CR F6FMT
A92AA EA5GL HP0INT/# F4BKV [d] TM35O F1EOY
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17/10-30/10 IG9Y: Lampedusa Island (AF-019) 1149
17/10-29/10 SW8YY: Zakynthos Island (EU-052) 1165
18/10-21/10 7L4PVR/1, 7N1GMK/1, 7N4VPS/1: Hachijo Island (AS-043) 1155
18/10-21/10 JA1UNS/1 and JI1PLF/1: Hachijo Island (AS-043) 1155
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October YJ0RK: Vanuatu 1165
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18/11-27/11 3DA0ET: Swaziland 1161
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21611. Mosley mini tribanders

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-09-06 17:42:49 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 21611 Message: 21611

Has anyone on the list used a Mosley Mini32A or Mini33A tribander antenna?
If so, could you email me off the list, I have a couple of questions I
would like to ask about these antennas.

73 John AF5CC

21612. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-09-07 14:01:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21612

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:Issued: 2013 Sep 07 1300 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30907
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 07 Sep 2013, 1209UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 07 Sep 2013 until 09 Sep 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Quiet conditions (<50% probability of C-class flares)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 07 Sep 2013 10CM FLUX: 100 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 08 Sep 2013 10CM FLUX: 102 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 09 Sep 2013 10CM FLUX: 104 / AP: 007
COMMENT: Solar activity has been eruptive during the past 24 hours, featuring a C1.0
flare from returning NOAA AR 11831 near the East limb, peaking at 22:50 UT
on September 6. There is a chance for more C flares within the next 48
hours. The solar wind decreased from 420 to 360 km/s in the past 24 hours.
In the same period, the Interplanetary Magnetic Field was low with values
between 4 and 5 nT. The geomagnetic activity was at quiet levels (K
Dourbes between 0 and 3; NOAA Kp between 1 and 2) during the past 24 hours.
Quiet geomagnetic conditions (K Dourbes < 4) are expected for September 7
to 9.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 028, BASED ON 06 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 06 Sep 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 065
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 101
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 012
AK WINGST : 006
ESTIMATED AP : 006
ESTIMATED ISN : 034, BASED ON 23 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21613. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-09-08 14:01:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21613

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:Issued: 2013 Sep 08 1226 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30908
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 08 Sep 2013, 1209UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 08 Sep 2013 until 10 Sep 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Quiet conditions (<50% probability of C-class flares)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 08 Sep 2013 10CM FLUX: 096 / AP: 008
PREDICTIONS FOR 09 Sep 2013 10CM FLUX: 098 / AP: 008
PREDICTIONS FOR 10 Sep 2013 10CM FLUX: 100 / AP: 007
COMMENT: Solar activity has been quiet during the past 24 hours, featuring only B
flares. There is a chance for C flares within the next 48 hours. The solar
wind ranged between 360 km/s and 400 km/s in the past 24 hours. In the same
period, the Interplanetary Magnetic Field fluctuated between 1 and 6.5 nT.
The geomagnetic activity was at quiet levels (K Dourbes between 0 and 3;
NOAA Kp between 1 and 3) during the past 24 hours. Quiet geomagnetic
conditions (K Dourbes < 4) are expected for September 8 to 10.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 018, BASED ON 12 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 07 Sep 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 099
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 010
AK WINGST : 004
ESTIMATED AP : 002
ESTIMATED ISN : 023, BASED ON 14 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21614. RE: [DX-IS] Historical DX List question

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-09-08 14:07:34 UTC
From: Ron Notarius W3WN
Topic: 21606 Message: 21614

John,

I don't see that anyone's sent you an answer yet, at least via the reflector. So here's what little I know; I'm sure there's someone out there who has a better answer.

You can't use any of the current criteria in trying to figure out what Russia is divided. As far as I know, that division goes all the way back to the restart of the DXCC after WW II, and even possibly (probably?) further back to the original pre-war DXCC list.

So the answer may be as simple as: Someone decided to do it this way, so they did.

The reasoning might be as simple as using the continental divide itself as a justification.

Now, if we were creating the equivalent of the DXCC from scratch today, using today's rules and qualification criteria, would Russia be divided? I doubt it. But we're not doing that.

Suffice to say, this is one of those distinctions that was grandfathered in from rules & qualifications long retired and forgotten. Simply accept it as an entity anomaly and don't worry about it.

73, ron w3wn

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of John Geiger
Sent: Thursday, September 05, 2013 10:47 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] Historical DX List question

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73 John AF5CC

21615. Re: [DX-IS] Historical DX List question

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-09-08 14:15:36 UTC
From: Brian Alsop
Topic: 21606 Message: 21615

Turkey is in both EU and Asia. CQ recognizes them as separate entities.
ARRL does not.

One thing is consistent, there will always be inconsistencies.

73 de Brian/K3KO

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21616. Re: [DX-IS] Historical DX List question

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-09-08 15:07:11 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 21606 Message: 21616

8Q also counts as 2 separate continents, but only1 country.

John AF5CC

----- Original Message -----
From: "Brian Alsop" <alsopb@...>
To: <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Sunday, September 08, 2013 2:15 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Historical DX List question

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21617. Re: [DX-IS] Historical DX List question

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-09-08 15:09:54 UTC
From: Roger D Johnson
Topic: 21606 Message: 21617

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usual answer is some sort of doublespeak blather. If pushed, the answer is, "Piss off! It's our
program and we'll run it any way we want."

73, Roger

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Remember the Liberty (AGTR-5)
http://www.usslibertyveterans.org/
http://www.gtr5.com/

21618. Re: [DX-IS] Historical DX List question

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-09-08 15:38:47 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 21606 Message: 21618

On 9/8/2013 12:09 PM, Roger D Johnson wrote:
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> 73, Roger
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It's a radio club that offers a point for contacting every "thing"
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kind of a system it was. To which the Old Timers' inevitably responded,
"System? Who said it's a system? It's the DXCC!"

That's the way I've always approached it . . . I work what the DXCC
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to the list? People are still mad about that one. I didn't get mad . .
. I worked it and got a point. If they delete it, I'll lose a point.
It ain't a system . . . it's the DXCC! :-)

73, Paul VE1DX

21619. Re: [DX-IS] Historical DX List question

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-09-08 15:45:08 UTC
From: Richard Solomon
Topic: 21606 Message: 21619

A better example would be ..."Baldwins Reef"... .

Who remembers that one !!

73, Dick, W1KSZ

On Sun, Sep 8, 2013 at 8:38 AM, Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...> wrote:

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21620. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1127

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-09-08 21:15:07 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 21620 Message: 21620

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September 9, 2013
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 1st-September, through Sunday, 8th-September there were 226 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3B9, 3D2, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4X, 5A, 5B, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5W, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9X, 9Y, A2, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C6, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FH, FK, FM, FO, FR, FS, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HC8, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J5, J6, J7, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KH9, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OJ0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PY, PZ, S2, S5, S7, SM, SP, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T2, T32, T5, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TT, TU, TY, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V6, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK9N, VP2E, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XW, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YJ, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD8, ZD9, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS, ZS8

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

3D2 & 3D2/R, FIJI AND ROTUMA ISLANDS (Update to OPDX.1118). Andy, LZ2HM, has joined the team of Stan/LZ1GC and Rocky/3D2DD to be active from Fiji and Rotuma between September 20th and October 15th. Their schedule is as follows:

September 20-26th - Stan will be active as 3D2GC from the "Club Fiji Resort", Nadi, Fiji Republic, Viti Levu Island (OC-016, WW. Loc. RH82QF). Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW and SSB, with the following equipment: Kenwood TS-480 SAT + linear amplifier ACOM 1010/ACOM 1000. The antennas: EXP. GP 40-10m, 80/160 meters INV-L and GP.
September 27th-October 11th - Callsigns 3D2RA (Andy), 3D2GC/P and 3D2DD/P; from Rotuma Island (OC-060). Activity will be on all HF bands. Stan 3D2GC/P will active on all HF bands, CW/SSB together with Andy, 3D2RA and Rocky, 3D2DD. Rocky will also be active, but only on SSB with the callsign 3D2DD/P. Andy, 3D2RA, will be active on all HF bands, 160-2 meters CW/SSB/DIGITAL (PSK & SSTV) and special attention will be made to work by EME on 50 MHz on JT65A.
October 12-15th - Callsign 3D2GC again from Fiji Republic. On October 16th, Stan, LZ1GC, will go back to Bulgaria.

Suggested frequencies are as follows:
CW - 1822, 3510, 7007, 10104, 14010, 18070, 21010, 24892 and 28010 kHz
SSB - 1838, 3788, 7088, 14188, 18148, 21288, 24948 and 28488 kHz
RTTY - 1838, 3588, 7038, 10138, 14088, 18108, 21088, 24918 and 28088 kHz
SSTV - 3728, 7038, 14238, 21338 and 28688 kHz
PSK31- 1838, 3578, 7038, 10138, 14078, 18108, 21078, 21918 and 28078 kHz
6m - 50100/CW. 50118/SSB and 50200/RTTY kHz

QSL 3D2GC and 3D2GC/P via LZ1GC, direct or by the Bureau (see details on QRZ.com or the Web page below). QSL 3D2RA, 3D2DD and 3D2DD/P via info on QRZ.com. For more details and updates, see: http://3d2gc.com

3DA0, SWAZILAND (Update to OPDX.1120/1122). Roger/ZS6RJ and a Multi-International team of operators will be active as 3DA0ET from Piggs Peak, Swaziland, between November 18-27th. Some of the operators also took part in the 2012 7P8D DXpedition. Currently, the 12 operators mentioned are Emil/DL8JJ, Chris/G8APB , John/GW4SKA (RTTY Team Leader), Frosty/K5LBU (Co-Leader), George/KL7GS, Neil/VA7DX, Don/VE7DS, Keith/VE7MID (Low-Band Leader), Bob/W5UQ, Victor/WB0TEV, Sam/ZS6BRZ and Roger/ZS6RJ (Co-leader). They plan to have 4 stations on the air, covering all the HF bands (160-10 meters) and 6 meters (secondary) using CW, SSB and RTTY. There will be a focus on RTTY, and they plan to have a dedicated full-time RTTY station on the air from start to finish. Roger, ZS6RJ, informs OPDX readers, "We're also running an up-front survey (link on the home page) asking DXers what bands/modes etc. they need the most for Swaziland." Activity will also include the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) as a Multi-two entry. Dick, N7RO, will be the QSL Manager for 3DA0ET. Tony, LZ1JZ, will be printing and supplying the QSL cards. QSOs will be uploading daily to LoTW and ClubLog. They will not be using eQSL. More specific details about direct and Bureau QSLs will follow in due course, closer toward the end of the DXpedition. Watch the 3DA0ET Web page for updates at: http://www.swazidx.org

4O, MONTENEGRO. Gab, HA3JB, will be active as 4O/HG3IPA from Budva between September 23-30th. This activity will be valid for the HA-IPARC Award (International Police Association) <http://www.ha3jb.com/iparc-award.html>. Operations will be on CW, RTTY and SSB. Look for Gab to be active during the CQWW RTTY DX Contest (September 28-29th). He also mentions that he will make a side trip to Sveti Nikola Island (EU-163) during his stay in 4O-land. QSL via HA3JB direct. He does have a OQRS now (see QRZ.com).

9L, SIERRA LEONE. Operators David/N4WDT and Jerry/K4ZIN are planning to be active from here between October 16-21st, and are currently waiting for a license approval. Activity will be on 160-10 meters with a focus on the 30/17/12 meters and lower bands. They will have two stations on the air at less 12 or more hours a day. QSL via LoTW or via their home callsigns.

CR2/CT8, AZORES. Kim, OH6KZP, will be active as CR2X from Ribeira Grande during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via OH2BH. Before the contest, look for him to sign CT8/OH6KZP.

CR5150, PORTUGAL (Special Event). Members of the Portuguese Navy Hamradio Club (NRA) will activate the special event station CR5150NM between September 8-14th. Activity is to celebrate the 150th anniversary of the Portuguese Navy Museum since it was founded by the King D. Luis I. Activity will be on all HF bands except 10 MHz using CW, SSB and eventualy PSK. A special QSL card is being produced, and it will be issued and sent to all contacted stations. Stations should send their QSL card by the Bureau or direct to CS5NRA.

DXAC NEWS. ARRL Great Lakes Director Jim, Weaver, K8JE, reports that he is "pleased to announce the appointment of Stan Arnett, AC8W, of Marysville, MI, as representative of the Great Lakes Division on the ARRL DX Advisory Committee (DXAC). Stan is a well-known in DX circles. He replaces Kirk Swallow, W8QID of Cincinnati who resigned after several years of service on the Committee." He also mentioned, "The DXAC reviews topics referred to it by the the ARRL Board of Directors and recommends action on these topics to the Board. DXAC was tasked at the July Board meeting to conduct a review of existing rules that govern DXCC and recommend possible changes to these rules. DXAC is just one of several advisory committees that provide input from members to the Board."

DXCC 2012 YEARBOOK. The DXCC Blog Web Page reports: "The 2012 DXCC Year-book is now available online to ARRL members worldwide via the August 2013 Digital QST. To access this publication visit the Digital QST page at: http://www.arrl.org/qst
http://www.arrl.org/img/170x130/DXCC_Items/2012YB.jpg
Look down to 'QST Digital Archives'. Click Go Now on this link. The various Digital QST covers will appear and the DXCC yearbook will always be in the August edition. When you open August 2013 QST on the cover is a yellow icon in the lower portion of the cover labeled 'Includes the 2012 DXCC Yearbook'. Click this to open the yearbook. You can read it directly online or print it out for future reference. Again, access to

this is by ARRL Members, worldwide."

DXCC NEWS. Bill Moore, NC1L, ARRL Awards Branch Manager, reports that the following operation is approved for DXCC credit:
JY9FC - Jordan; Current operation beginning August 2013

DX MARATHON 2014. John, K9EL, reports, "We are asking all interested parties for any ideas, suggestions or changes that would be helpful to the 2014 DX Marathon. The 2014 Rules will be finalized soon, so now is the time to express your thoughts and opinions. Please send all comments to: john@dxmarathon.com
Thank you!.... K9EL - DX Marathon Manager"
DX Marathon Web page is at: http://www.dxmarathon.com
Also, join the "DXMarathon" group on Yahoo Groups!

E5, SOUTH COOK ISLANDS. Alan, K7AR, will be active as E51AAR from Rarotonga Island (OC-013), South Cook Islands, between October 21-26th. Activity will mainly be RTTY, and he will also participate in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th). His equipment is a Elecraft K3 and KPA500. QSL via K7AR, direct or by the Bureau. Log will be uploaded to LoTW upon his return home. However, he will try to upload log on a daily basis to ClubLog.

FR, REUNION ISLAND. Willi, DJ7RJ, will be active as FR/DJ7RJ from Reunion Island (AF-016) between September 28th and November 2nd. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW and SSB. He prefers lowbands. Willi will use a K2 with a SS-Amp 500w into a INV-L 15m (49 ft) vertical and 12m (39ft) horizontal with 2-4 elevated radials each 20m (66ft) long. QSL via DJ7RJ, direct or by the Bureau.

HB0, LIECHTENSTEIN. Johannes, DF5AU, will be active as HB0/DF5AU between September 14-19th. Activity will be on the HF bands with a focus on the higher bands using a beam antenna and amp, operating CW and SSB. QSL via DF5AU, by the DARC Bureau, direct or LoTW.

HB0, LIECHTENSTEIN. Operators Uwe/DL4AAE and Roman/DL3TU will be active as HB0/homecall either the second or third full weekend in September. Their operation is "weather permitting" as they attempt to operate from the summit of Augstenberg (2359 meters A.S.L.) [SOTA HB0/LI-004] using CW only with an emphasis on Asia. Equipment consists of two K3's running 100 watts into a Delta Loops for 20, 15 and possibly 12 meters. QSLs via their home callsign, by the Bureau or direct (see QRZ.com). They will confirm all QSOs by default with a nice paper QSL via the German Bureau. For more details and updates, see: http://www.mydarc.de/dl3tu
http://www.mydarc.de/dl4aae

HP0, PANAMA (IOTA Tour Reminder). By the time read this, operators Christian/EA3NT, Raul/EA5KA, Vincent/F4BKV and Col/MM0NDX, from the Invoker Team, have started their activation of six Panamanian island groups as HP0INT(/1,2,3,4 or 9) between September 5-19th. Activity will be on 40-10 meters using CW and SSB. The team tentative schedule is as follows:

September 5-8th - Naos Island (NA-072); callsign HP0INT/1; evening only
September 6-8th - Boca Brava Island (NA-071); callsign HP0INT/3
September 9-11th - Ogobsibu (San Blas) Island (NA-170); callsign HP0INT/2
September 11-13th - Grande Island (NA-202); callsign HP0INT/2
September 13-15th - Iguana Island (NA-203); callsign HP0INT/9
September 16-18th - Colon [Bocas del Toro] (NA-088); callsign HP0INT/4

Please be careful with HP0INT/2 as it will be used from two different IOTA groups. Listen carefully to the operator to know the exact location/IOTA. Direct QSLs are via F4BKV (OQRS preferred) [if you use IRC, he only accepts the new model valid until 2017]. Bureau QSLs are via F5CWU (OQRS preferred). More details and the OQRS are available at: http://www.invokerteam.com/hp0int

IOTA NEWS.....
AS-074. Members of the Malaysian Special Expedition Team, who were active as 9M2SE from Pulau Indah, and were celebrating 56th anniversary of Malaysia's Independence Day last weekend, now have pictures and videos of their activity at: http://9m2pju.blogspot.com/2013/09/9m2se-pulai-indah-iota-as-074-activation.html

EU-038. Tonnie, PA9CW, is now active as PA9CW/P from Texel Island (WLOTA 0043) until September 21st. Activity will be on 30 meters CW (his preferred mode) and sometimes PSK or RTTY. QSL via PA9CW, by the Bureau or direct.

EU-067. Marek, SP5ISZ, will be active as SV8/SP5ISZ from Milos Island (GIOTA SAS-089, MIA MG-072, WLOTA 4149) September 12-24th. Activity will be holiday style on the HF bands, depending on the propagation. QSL via his home callsign, by the Bureau, direct, eQSL or LoTW.

NA-058. Members of the Kennehoochee Amateur Radio Club (W4BTI) will be active as K4S from Sapelo Island (USI GA-007 [to be qualified], McIntosh County, GA) between September 12-14th. They also plan to activate the Sapelo Island Lighthouse (ARLHS USA-738, TWLHD WLH K-146, WW Loc. EM91IJ) and the Sapelo Island Range Front Lighthouse (ARLHS USA-1014). Operators mentioned are Ricky/K4JTT, Jim/N4DU, Joe/WD4FGB, Tim/WK4U, Jim/AK4I, Rich/KD4SEV, Ron/NV4U, David/N4VDL, Walter/KI4LAV, Tad/WF4W and Monty/K4MTX. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK. QSL direct to W4BTI: Kennehoochee Amateur Radio Club, PO Box 1245, Marietta, GA 30061-1245 USA. Also via LoTW and eQSL. For more details and updates, visit the Web site at: http://www.w4bti.org/special_events.html

NA-130. Mike, VE2XB, will be active as VY0BRR from Qikiqtarjuaq or Broughton Island, in the Nunavut (Baffin Island) East IOTA Group between Sept 23-27th. Activity will be concentrated on 80/75/40 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via VE2XB. For more details and updates, see: http://www.vy0brr.jimdo.com

OC-108/ (Postponed/Update) John, YB5NOF, informs OPDX that the reason
OC-109/ for the postponement is that his wife had a stroke on August
OC-122. 23rd, and was in the hospital. He did mention that they will
try to activate Tambelan (OC-122, as YE5T) sometime in October.
Exact days and time will depend on transport and weather. He
states that the weather between October and February is bad in
that area, but they hope to do an operation. While waiting for
the ferry express coming from Pontianak - Serasan - Tambelan
- Midai and stopping on Siantan Island (OC-108), they will be
on the air as YE5R for 5 days. Activity for Natuna Selatan
(OC-109) will not take place until April or May of 2014.

J4, GREECE (LH Op!). Operators Costas/SV4FFL, Thanasis/SV4FFK, XYL Katerina/
SV4AFY, Jim/SV4AAQ, Nikos/SV4FFO, Tassos/SV4FFX and Kostas/SV4/SV8GGI
will activate the Trikeri Lighthouse (GLHA GRE-128, ARLHS GRE-128,
Admiralty E4442) for the second time in 5 years as J44LH between September
7-10th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB, PSK and RTTY. QSL
via SV4FFL.

JD1, MINAMI TORISHIMA (Update). Take, JG8NQJ, is once again be active
as JG8NQJ/JD1 from Marcus Island in the Minami Torishima (OC-073, JCG
10007) group until September 14th or 15th. He is there to work on the
island's weather station. Activity will be limited to his spare time.
He will be mainly on 17 meters but also on 15/12/10 meters CW. QSL via
his home callsign, by the Bureau or direct to JA8CJY: Susumu 'Sin' Sanada,
5-17, 5-4, Shin-Ei, Toyohira, Sapporo 004, Japan. Online log is available
at: http://dx.qsl.net/cgi-bin/logform.cgi?jd1-jg8nqj

P29, PAPUA NEW GUINEA (Cancelled). Akira, JA1NLX, was expected to be
active as P29VNX from Lissenung Island (New Britain Island), in the
Bismarck Archipelago IOTA Group (OC-008) this week, but it was cancelled
due to flight problem.

PACIFIC DXPEDITION TOUR (Update/Reminder). By the time you read this,
Gerben, PG5M, should have started his Pacific tour starting from Palau
Island (OC-009) as T8GM for two days (September 6-7th), and is now active
as V6G from Yap Island (OC-012), in the Fed. States of Micronesia, until
September 15th. He will return to Palau Island and operate between September
15-19th. This is a solo DXpedition and CW only. Station will be Elecraft
K3 and ECO R7+ vertical for 40-10 meters. QSL via his home callsign, by
the Bureau or direct. Important: Don't use IRCs as they can't be exchanged
at his post office. For updates, watch his Web page and Twitter account at:
http://www.dx.to
http://twitter.com/@PG5M

PJ7, ST. MAARTEN. Dave, AH6HY, will once again be active as PJ7/AH6HY
from St. Martin Island (NA-105) between September 13-18th. Activity will
be holiday style primarily during his evenings and on 20/17/15 meters
but SSB ony. QSL via AH6HY, direct or by the Bureau.

PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (September 9-15th)....
Sep/09th AN Sep/12th LN Sep/14th AN
Sep/10th AN Sep/13th AN Sep/15th AN

Sep/11th HN

SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS/INDEXES AND GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE
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NORMALITY GEOMAG K Values Alpha
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AN - Above Normal Quiet K=0-1 0-7
HN - High Normal Unsettled K=2 8-15
LN - Low Normal Active K=3 16-29
BN - Below Normal Minor Storm K=4 30-49
DIS - Disturbed Major Storm K=5 50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed Severe Storm K=6-9 100-400

*** ADDED NOTE: Has anyone heard or seen from Lee, KH6BZF? Your editor has been sending him E-mails for 4 weeks and has not received an answer......

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (For September 1st)

3B9FR via HB9SLO FG4NN via NI5DX RI1ANU via ZS1OIN
4A2I via XE2I FO8WBB via N6JA SG0U via SM3CXS
4K6N via RW6HS (d) GB1H via M0DOL SV0XAO via DJ5JH
4O7TC via UA3TCJ (d) HA30IGY via HA5OKE SV1/YT5EA via YT5EA
5P5L via DD2ML HB13ESAF via HB9BE SV5/OM3RM via OM3RM
7T9A via 7X2ARA HB9/RV3DH via RV3DHC T10VB via UA4WHX
9A/DK2CH via DK2CH IN3/DF2AJ via DF2AJ TI60RC via TI0RC (d)
9A284MX via DJ2MX KH2/N6CY via N6CY TM0CR via F6FMT
A6/DL2RMC via DL2RMC KH7XX via OE6MBG (d/L) TU5DF via F5SWB (d)
CU6GRP via CU6AB KP4/HI3RST via KP4 (B) UN1L via W3HNK
EA200HA via EA2HA LT5X via LU8XW UT/UA4WHX via UA4WHX
EA200RKG via EA2RKG NH0J via JJ2VLY V5/BA4DW via BA4DW (d)
EA200URD via EA2URD OA1/DL1CW via DL1CW V5/HB9PHJ via HB9PHJ
EA8/IK1JPV via IK1JPV OM2013SIAF via OM8JP V73NS via W3HNK
ED7IVN via EA7IVN OM20TUSR via OM20TUSR YB8S via YB9BU
EO73U via UT7UU OS0S via ON4ZD (L/e) YR60A via YO8AXP
ER0/US5ETV via US5ETV (d) R400R via R7MP
ER52MOM via ER3BI R73ASP via RA3TYL
(e) eQSL only (d) direct only (B) Bureau only (L) LoTW only

DID YOU GET YOUR QSL? Fred, IK7JWX, announced that if you did not receive your QSL for any of the following stations to send your QSO data via his E-mail address <ik7jwx2003@...> and he will send a card via the Bureau as soon as he is done with the QSL back-log.
- ZA0IS and ZA0/IK7JWX : Albania, Dec. 18-23rd, 2002, 1st DXpedition to Sazan Island IOTA EU-169
- ZA/IK7JWX year 2003; ZA1-2-3/IK7JWX year 2006 from Durres town
- ZA0/IK7JWX : Albania, Dec. 2008 DXpeditions to Sazan island IOTA EU-169
- 5C2J : Morocco, years 2009, 2010, 2011, DXpeditions to Essaouira and Marrakech towns

- IY7NGM and IR7DLI, year 2009. - IO7J contests callsign
- TS8P : Tunisia, Djerba Island IOTA AF-083 and 3VFF-008, year 2010
- TS7TI : Tunisia, Raf Raf City (SSB, digital modes) and Tunisi (CW), year 2010
- TS7TI/P : Plane Island IOTA AF-091 and Kuriat Island IOTA AF-092, 3VFF-007, year 2010
- 5C2J : Morocco, Marrakech and Essaouira cities, Feb. 2011
- 5C2J/P : Morocco, DXpedition to Herne Island IOTA AF-068, Sept. 2011
- IQ7AF and IQ7AF/P activity 2012
- TS8TI : Tunisia, DXpedition to Djerba Island IOTA AF-083 and 3VFF-008, Apr. 2013

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 9P6NW, A45XR, CG21, DH4JQ, DL3VEE, DL5RDP, DR1A, E79D, EA6NB, EA7AJR, EA8BVX, EA8TL, FG4NO, FY5KE, HB9TQL, HK1N, HK3C, HR1RTF, HV0A, LN2HQ, LX1NO, LY2J, LZ1105PIO, MJ0CTR, MU0FAL, OK2BMT, OZ1HDF, P29NI, PA3EVY, PJ4LS, PR7AR, PU5AGM, PY2OE, PY3CJS, PY5ZD, RV1CC, RV3KS, RV3LO, RZ3DW, SP3UIW, SP6EIY, SP6LUY, SK5A, T46RRC, TM0SM, TM6X, US5CB, V31MA, VE3MF, VK4CAG, VP2MOM, VP5S, VY2TT, XL2I, XZ1Z, YU1NR and ZF1A

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 4A8DMR, 5W0M, 7O6T, 9J2QQV, K6VVA/KL7, K6VVA/VE7, V5/DK1CE and ZL9HR

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 1A0KM, 3A2LF, 3A2MW, 4W6A, 5B75FOC, 5U9AMO, 7P8US, 7Q7PRO, 8Q7SO, 9L5MS, 9M2MRS, 9U4U, A25NW, C21HA, CY0X, DL1BUG, DL5YYM, DU1IST, E30HA, FR/DJ7RJ, FR5DZ, FS/K9EL, HA7LW, HB9STEVE, IY4FGM, JW8HGA, KH2/G3ZEM, LZ1737SSS, MU/PA9M, NH0J, NH2T, OE11M, OE3DIA, OE4VIE, ON4AXU, OX3XR, OX3YY, OX6YL, OY3AA, OZ1CTK, PJ2/N5HZ, PJ4/K4BAI, PJ4J, PJ4M, PJ4NX, PY0FO, RI0FM, S21YZ, SQ0MORSE, SQ9UM, T88MR, TA2MW/0, TX3A, V63ZM, V73NS, VK6HD, VO1XX, VP5DX, YL6W, Z60K, ZK2C and ZK2X

SILENT KEY. It has been reported that Steve Hodgson, ZC4LI (aka 5B4AHA, C4C, G0LII, G6G and ZD8LII) became a Silent Key (SK) on August 31st. He was a DXer and Contester who will be missed. OPDX and its readers would like to send out our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of ZC4LI.

SPECIAL EVENT (Highway to a DX Party!). The Citrus Belt Amateur Radio Club of San Bernardino, California, will host (probably one of the most fun special event activities) the 14th annual "Route 66 On The Air" special event between September 7-15th. The purpose of this event is to offer amateur radio operators a fun way to "Relive the Ride" of their own memories of Route 66, and to celebrate the highway's 84th anniversary. The U.S. Highway 66 established in 1926, was the first major improved highway to link the west coast with the nations heartland. Through stories, songs, and TV shows, the highway came to symbolize the spirit of the freedom of the open road, inspiring many to see America. Look for the following 20 stations (three are rovers) operating in or around the major cities along the old "Route 66" from Santa Monica, California, to Chicago, Illinois:
Stations City Club

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W6A Is Not Being Used This Year - See IMPORTANT NOTICE
on the Web page.
W6B Los Angeles, CA Westside Amateur Radio Club
W6C San Bernardino, CA Citrus Belt Amateur Radio Club
W6D Victorville, CA Victor Valley Amateur Radio Club
W6E Barstow, CA Barstow Amateur Radio Club
W6F Kingman, AZ Hualapai Amateur Radio Club
W6G Flagstaff, AZ Northern Arizona DX Association
W6H Albuquerque, NM New Mexico Amateur Radio Alliance
W6I Amarillo, TX Chapter 141, QCWA
W6J Elk City, OK Western Oklahoma Amateur Radio Club
W6K Oklahoma City, OK W6K Oklahoma City
W6L Tulsa, OK Tulsa Amateur Radio Club
W6M Riverton, KS Valley Center Amateur Radio Club
W6N Joplin, MO Joplin Amateur Radio Club
W6O Lebanon, MO Lebanon Amateur Radio Club
W6P St. Louis, MO St. Louis Amateur Radio Club
W6Q Chicago, IL Six Meter Club of Chicago

ROVER STATIONS

W6S ROVER 1 Northern Arizona DX Association
W6T ROVER 2 Northern Arizona DX Association

Special event stations are expected to be found in the vicinity of the
following frequencies. (Look for digital modes in the standard band segments
for such mode) All frequencies +/- QRM:
CW - 3533, 7033, 10110, 14033, 18080, 21033, 24900, 28033 and 50033 kHz
SSB - 3866, 7266, 14266, 18164, 21366, 24966, 28466 and 50166 kHz
Digi - 3580, 7070, 10140, 14070, 18100, 21070, 24920 and 28120 kHz
R66 MOBILE Operations - Any amateurs operating while actually driving
along Route 66 during the special event period are encouraged to
take part in "Route 66 On The Air", by using the designation
"mobile 66" for SSB or "/m66" for CW after their callsigns. All
other amateur radio operators are welcome to contact these mobile
operators.
REPEATERS - Some of the participating clubs will also be operating this
event from their local VHF/UHF repeaters. Check the ARRL repeater
guide for possible repeater frequencies, if your in the local area.

Each participating club will issue their own QSL card commemorating
this event. QSL information is available on the Web at:
http://www.w6jbt.org/2013site/qsl-card-request-guidelines
http://www.w6jbt.org/2013site/qsl-card-routing-and-station-website-addresses
For more details about the event and the certificate that is available,
please visit the "Route 66 OTA Site" at:
http://www.w6jbt.org/2013site/route-66-on-the-air

T30, WEST KIRIBATI. Operators Ted/JF1CCH and Kazu/JA1FUF will be active
from West Kiribati between November 28th and December 4th. Activity will

be on the HF bands (all mostly 40-10m) using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK. Ted will operate mainly on CW and SSB, while Kazu will operate mainly RTTY and PSK. They will use 100 watts into a dipole. Their callsigns and QSL info will be forthcoming.

T32, EAST KIRIBATI (Update). A team of operators (TBA) will activate T32RRC to commemorate the 20th anniversary of the Russian Robinson Radio Club between December 3-11th. Tentatively, several USA members of the RRC are planning to be a part of the operating team and expressed a desire to celebrate the RRC anniversary with the T32RRC callsign. On November 27th, Tim, NL8F, will arrive on Kiritimati Island and set-up one station at Captain Cook Hotel. If there are no unforeseen issues, Tim will be on the air using the T32TM callsign. There is no set plan at this time for Tim's operating hours. Tim will be active as on SSB or RTTY until December 4th. Tim plans to operate part of the day and spend the rest of his time seeing the island or trying out the world class Bone fishing in between active periods. On December 4th, the balance of the T32 team will arrive and begin set-up of a second station and additional antennas. Once the balance of the team is on-site the T32RRC callsign will be the callsign used for the remainder of days the team is active on the island. Please take note: This is a small DXpedition with limited resources. They will do their best to activate T32 with as much time devoted to the bands as possible. Currently, the plan is to have at least one station operating 24/7. They hope to have two stations operating during peak activity times. Unfortunately, there may be times when they are not on the air. Please understand that although this is not a "vacation style" expedition their manpower is limited and coverage day and night may strain resources. They will begin station dismantling on December 10th, with exception of Station 1 and certain band antennas. At 0500z, T32RRC will be QRT. Finish dismantling of stations and antennas. Suggested frequencies are:
CW - 1825, 3525, 7025, 10110, 14025, 18072, 21025, 24892 and 28025 kHz
SSB - 1840, 3790, 7085, 14190, 18140, 21295, 24945 and 28440 kHz
RTTY - 1828, 3588, 7040, 10140, 14080, 18102, 21092, 24920 and 28082 kHz

The 60m band is yet to be determined. More details and updates will be forthcoming. Stay tuned! Also, watch: http://www.t32-2013.com

V5, NAMIBIA. Operator Hans/DF2UU and Hardy/DF3GY are now active as V55V from Omaruru, the QTH of Martin, V51W. They participated in the SSB Field Day (September 7-8th) this past weekend, and are expected to be in the Worked All Europe DX SSB Contest (September 14-15th). QSL via DJ8VC, by the Bureau or direct. Activity outside of the contest will be on 160-6 meters using CW and SSB.

VE, CANADA (Zone 2). Members of the Association de Radio Amateurs Sept-Iles Inc. will be active as VE2CSI during the CQWW DX RTTY Contest (September 28-29th) as a Multi-2 entry. Operators mentioned are Dany/VE2EBK, Stéphane/VE2SG and possibly others. QSL via M0URX.

VP9, BERMUDA. Christoph, DL1YAF, is now active as VP9/DL1YAF from Ed, VP9GE's, Hamilton QTH <http://vp9ge.com> on Bermuda (NA-005) until

September 25th. Activity will be holiday style on CW, SSB and PSK31.
QSL via home callsign, by the Bureau or direct.

WAP NEWS.....
* The 11th WAP meeting will be held in Mondovì, Italy, on September 22nd, to talk about Antarctica. The event is a joint effort between the Italian Castle Award DCI <www.dcia.it>, the Italian Flora & Fauna IFF <http://www.dcia.it/iffa> and the Worldwide Antarctic Program [WAP] <www.waponline.it>. See: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Tx9BDhqbI2Q All is organized by the ARI Mondovì at a nice site near the French Border at the foot of the Alps. Topic of discussion this year will be: Antarctica in the twenty-first century. There are several new bases, huge scientific programs with only researchers, personnel and staff at the new bases, but little Ham Radio activity. Will it become difficult to make a DX contact with the "White Continent" in the future?

* Operators Oleg/ZS1ANF (UA1PBA), Alex/UA1PAW and Slava UA1PAI (RD3MX) are almost ready to fly south where they expect to be active from the Antarctica. This time the goal is to activate Novo Runway (WAP MNB-06) with the callsign RI1ANR and to be active on the Low Bands from the Antarctic continent starting November 2013 through March 2014. Oleg, ZS1ANF, did verify to the WAP group that they will be on Novo Runway during this coming Antarctic season. He states, "I expect busy time down there, I want to concentrate on Low Bands, especially 160m band." They plan to install a 18 meters vertical by RA6LBS for TX, the same they used at Bellingshausen, a Beverage or a K9AY for RX; one XL-222 with RY-63 rotator from a Russian-Yagi for the High Bands. Also, they will have an ACOM1000 and some FT transceivers for the whole activity. Perhaps there will be a chance to visit other places during their stay. More details and updates will be available at the WAP Web site at: http://www.waponline.it

* The WAP Antarctic Bulletin 259 (issued 3rd Sept. 2013) is online and downloadable at WAP website.

YN, NICARAGUA. Scott, K7ZO, will once again be active from here, but this time during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th) as a Single-Op/ All-Band entry. He will again use his smaller callsign YN5Z for the contest instead of his usual YN5ZO callsign. He usually operates "Field Day Style" using a 5 band Spiderbeam and 40m dipole on a push up mast. The radio is a TS-590 driving a KPA-500 amp. QSL via LoTW and K7ZO, direct or by the Bureau. Look for Scott to be active before/after the contest as well.

Z8, REPUBLIC OF SOUTH SUDAN (Z81R by Robert, S53R). Martti, OH2BH, sent out the following on September 5th: "Under the auspices of Project Goodwill South Sudan, shared with the International Amateur Radio Union Region 1 and the Yasme Foundation and supported by Yaesu Musen Co. Ltd, the announcement of a much anticipated low-band operation is only a few weeks away. The multinational team is busy getting the equipment and other material into South Sudan.

Adding to the Z81X operation of last spring, Robert, S53R, will be in Juba, for a work assignment and will be involved with a preparatory phase of Project Goodwill South Sudan.
He is going to sign Z81R from September 10 to September 14, while the activity will be sporadic because of his professional duties.
QSLs for this operation will be handled by Martti, OH2BH."

ZD7, ST. HELENA ISLAND. David, ZD7DC, is a 16 year old operator on St. Helena Island (AF-022). He states, "enjoy running a pile up - taking calls from any DX around the world. I rarely rag-chew but at times I do engage in longer QSO's. My working conditions include a Yaesu FT 450, powered by PSW 30, and a G5RV antenna tuned by MFJ 945E. I look forward to meeting you on air, and will reply to any QSL cards." Activity since August 18th shows David operates mainly SSB on 20/17/15/12/10 meters between 1430-0000z. QSL via his home callsign (direct only) listed on QRZ.com.

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Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@...?subject=unsubscribe>
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http://www.facebook.com/NorthernOhioDxAssociation

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21621. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-09-09 14:01:04 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21621

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:Issued: 2013 Sep 09 1233 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30909
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 09 Sep 2013, 1209UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 09 Sep 2013 until 11 Sep 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Quiet conditions (<50% probability of C-class flares)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 09 Sep 2013 10CM FLUX: 096 / AP: 003
PREDICTIONS FOR 10 Sep 2013 10CM FLUX: 094 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 11 Sep 2013 10CM FLUX: 092 / AP: 007
COMMENT: Solar activity has been very low, no C-class flares in past 48h, no changes
are foreseen. There is a small coronal hole currently in geoeffective
position but, due to its size, it will most likely not produce any
disturbance. Geomagnetic conditions have been quiet and are expected to
remain so.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 012, BASED ON 17 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 08 Sep 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 096
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 008
AK WINGST : 007
ESTIMATED AP : 006
ESTIMATED ISN : 018, BASED ON 16 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21622. test

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-09-09 21:47:37 UTC
From: Roger D Johnson
Topic: 1 Message: 21622

test

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Remember the Liberty (AGTR-5)
http://www.usslibertyveterans.org/
http://www.gtr5.com/

21623. T10VB

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-09-09 22:56:23 UTC
From: Radio K0HB
Topic: 21623 Message: 21623

Is this going to become something, or just somebody having a lark?

73, de Hans, K0HB
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"Just a boy and his radio"
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21624. RE: [DX-IS] T10VB

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-09-09 23:14:31 UTC
From: Ron Notarius W3WN
Topic: 21623 Message: 21624

A lark.

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Radio K0HB
Sent: Monday, September 09, 2013 6:56 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] T10VB

Is this going to become something, or just somebody having a lark?

73, de Hans, K0HB
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"Just a boy and his radio"
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21625. Re: [DX-IS] T10VB

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-09-09 23:18:31 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 21623 Message: 21625

On 9/9/2013 8:14 PM, Ron Notarius W3WN wrote:
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> A lark.
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> *From:*DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] *On Behalf
> Of *Radio K0HB
> *Sent:* Monday, September 09, 2013 6:56 PM
> *To:* DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> *Subject:* [DX-IS] T10VB
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> Is this going to become something, or just somebody having a lark?
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> 73, de Hans, K0HB
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> "Just a boy and his radio"
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It has about as much chance of counting as those "African
Homelands" that showed up in the early 90s did -- ZERO! However, work
him anyhow. Stranger things have happened.

73, Paul VE1DX

21626. Re: [DX-IS] T10VB

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-09-09 23:51:57 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 21623 Message: 21626

Although when I worked DL4MBE/H5 the ARRL did count it as South Africa.

I am guessing this WON"T count as Moldova as the ARRL will say he wasn't properly licensed, since the Moldovan version of the FCC probably didn't issue this license.

73 John AF5CC

----- Original Message -----
From: Paul M Dunphy
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, September 09, 2013 11:18 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] T10VB

On 9/9/2013 8:14 PM, Ron Notarius W3WN wrote:
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> A lark.
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> *From:*DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] *On Behalf
> Of *Radio K0HB
> *Sent:* Monday, September 09, 2013 6:56 PM
> *To:* DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> *Subject:* [DX-IS] T10VB
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> Is this going to become something, or just somebody having a lark?
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> 73, de Hans, K0HB
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> "Just a boy and his radio"
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It has about as much chance of counting as those "African Homelands" that showed up in the early 90s did -- ZERO! However, work him anyhow. Stranger things have happened.

73, Paul VE1DX

21627. RE: [DX-IS] New DXCC entity status

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-09-10 08:31:35 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 21540 Message: 21627

Talking about zone 2.
I have very few contacts with zone 2, in fact 3 QSOs I think, all CW on 40/20/15m.
I guess it's not the propagation as I can hear that VY2 station quite often when it's activated (well on 40m).

Anyway, will keep looking in the contests.

73, Lance - VK6DU

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of John Geiger
Sent: Thursday, 29 August 2013 4:06 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] New DXCC entity status

I will agree about 5BWAZ being above honor roll, and that is the general feeling of most people on the DX forum on eham.net<http://eham.net>. Zone one is Alaska and part of VY1/VE8. Zone two is VO2, part of VE8 and VE2 north of 50 degrees. I would guess that it is the least populated on any of the zones, but there are some pretty active VO2 stations, and a couple of VEs usually go to zone 2 for the CQWW contest.

You really want a challenge, try to work every ITU zone.

73 John AF5CC

On Wed, Aug 28, 2013 at 2:59 PM, donhall161 <donhall161@...<mailto:donhall161@...>> wrote:

John,

You are correct about only one country for each of the three zones and activity levels for 18 and 19. However, Zone1 includes Labrador, part of Quebec and two territories in VE8. Its land area is much larger than many of the countries on the list and has activity pretty regularly. I think Zone 2 hasn't been unrepresented for many years at a time like some of the entities.

I still believe 5BWAZ is a bigger challenge than "top of the Honor Roll".

73 Don K5AQ

21628. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-09-10 14:01:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21628

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:Issued: 2013 Sep 10 1220 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30910
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 10 Sep 2013, 1209UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 10 Sep 2013 until 12 Sep 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Quiet conditions (<50% probability of C-class flares)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 10 Sep 2013 10CM FLUX: 092 / AP: 005
PREDICTIONS FOR 11 Sep 2013 10CM FLUX: 090 / AP: 003
PREDICTIONS FOR 12 Sep 2013 10CM FLUX: 092 / AP: 005
COMMENT: No C-class flares were observed during the last days. Two sunspot groups
are currently visible on the Sun according to the SDO/HMI data. Their small
size makes a C-class flare in them unlikely. A filament eruption in the
south-eastern quadrant of the solar disk was detected by SDO/AIA starting
around 01:30 UT today. It was associated with the B4.1 flare peaking at
05:25 UT. The corresponding CME seems to be weak and narrow, so it is not
expected to arrive at the Earth. A low-latitude coronal hole in the
northern hemisphere reached the solar central meridian yesterday. It is,
however, small, so the Earth will most probably only skim the edge of the
corresponding fast flow on September 13. The Earth is currently inside a
slow (around 340 km/s) solar wind flow with average (4-5 nT) interplanetary
magnetic field magnitude. We expect quiet geomagnetic conditions in the
coming hours.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 012, BASED ON 12 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 09 Sep 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 025
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 094
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 006
AK WINGST : 004
ESTIMATED AP : 003
ESTIMATED ISN : 009, BASED ON 14 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21629. Re: [DX-IS] T10VB

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-09-10 14:37:39 UTC
From: iain macdonnell - N6ML
Topic: 21623 Message: 21629

See also: https://clublog.freshdesk.com/support/solutions/articles/129917-transnistria-and-the-t10-prefix

73,

~iain / N6ML

On Mon, Sep 9, 2013 at 4:51 PM, John Geiger <af5cc@...> wrote:
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> Although when I worked DL4MBE/H5 the ARRL did count it as South Africa.
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> I am guessing this WON"T count as Moldova as the ARRL will say he wasn't properly licensed, since the Moldovan version of the FCC probably didn't issue this license.
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> 73 John AF5CC
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> ----- Original Message -----
> From: Paul M Dunphy
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> Sent: Monday, September 09, 2013 11:18 PM
> Subject: Re: [DX-IS] T10VB
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> On 9/9/2013 8:14 PM, Ron Notarius W3WN wrote:
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> > A lark.
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> > ---
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> > *From:*DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] *On Behalf
> > Of *Radio K0HB
> > *Sent:* Monday, September 09, 2013 6:56 PM
> > *To:* DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> > *Subject:* [DX-IS] T10VB
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> > Is this going to become something, or just somebody having a lark?
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> > 73, de Hans, K0HB
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> Homelands" that showed up in the early 90s did -- ZERO! However, work
> him anyhow. Stranger things have happened.
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> 73, Paul VE1DX

21630. Dennis Rodman as P5?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-09-10 15:01:43 UTC
From: Gary Wilburn
Topic: 21540 Message: 21630

I had a dream last night that Dennis Rodman while visiting North Korea was able to convince Kim Jong Un to let him operate a Radio Sport competition (Dx Pedition). All was going well, Rodman got properly licensed and a prominent DX Group followed him in to set up and get on the air - then I woke up and the bands were dead - again.

Maybe someone should introduce Martti to Rodman and go along with him on his next "Good Will" visit.

73, Gary W8VI

21631. RE: [DX-IS] Dennis Rodman as P5?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-09-10 15:12:07 UTC
From: KQ8M
Topic: 21540 Message: 21631

Did you wake in cold sweats? Wow dreaming of Rodman. I shiver just thinking of that.

73,

Tim Herrick, KQ8M

Charter Member North Coast Contesters

kq8m@...

AR-Cluster V6 kq8m.no-ip.org

User Ports: 23, 7373 with local skimmer, 7374 without local skimmer

Server Ports: V6 3607, V4 Active 3605, V4 Passive 3606

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Gary Wilburn
Sent: Tuesday, September 10, 2013 11:02 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] Dennis Rodman as P5?

I had a dream last night that Dennis Rodman while visiting North Korea was able to convince Kim Jong Un to let him operate a Radio
Sport competition (Dx Pedition). All was going well, Rodman got properly licensed and a prominent DX Group followed him in to set up
and get on the air - then I woke up and the bands were dead - again.

Maybe someone should introduce Martti to Rodman and go along with him on his next "Good Will" visit.

73, Gary W8VI

21632. Re: [DX-IS] Dennis Rodman as P5?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-09-10 15:15:18 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 21540 Message: 21632

Will Rodman be able to learn CW fast enough to make sure a trip worthwile?

----- Original Message -----
From: Gary Wilburn
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tuesday, September 10, 2013 3:01 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] Dennis Rodman as P5?

I had a dream last night that Dennis Rodman while visiting North Korea was able to convince Kim Jong Un to let him operate a Radio Sport competition (Dx Pedition). All was going well, Rodman got properly licensed and a prominent DX Group followed him in to set up and get on the air - then I woke up and the bands were dead - again.

Maybe someone should introduce Martti to Rodman and go along with him on his next "Good Will" visit.

73, Gary W8VI

21633. Re: [DX-IS] Dennis Rodman as P5?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-09-10 15:23:23 UTC
From: Richard Solomon
Topic: 21540 Message: 21633

Martti and Dennis ....

Now that's the Odd Couple of the decade !!

But, stranger things have happened.

73, Dick, W1KSZ

On Tue, Sep 10, 2013 at 8:01 AM, Gary Wilburn <gary@...> wrote:

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> I had a dream last night that Dennis Rodman while visiting North Korea was
> able to convince Kim Jong Un to let him operate a Radio Sport competition
> (Dx Pedition). All was going well, Rodman got properly licensed and a
> prominent DX Group followed him in to set up and get on the air – then I
> woke up and the bands were dead – again.****
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> Maybe someone should introduce Martti to Rodman and go along with him on
> his next “Good Will” visit.****
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> 73, Gary W8VI ****
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21634. Re: [DX-IS] Dennis Rodman as P5?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-09-10 16:21:14 UTC
From: Ron Notarius W3WN
Topic: 21540 Message: 21634

What has Martti ever done to you, that you would wish that fate on him?

On 09/10/13, Gary Wilburn wrote:

I had a dream last night that Dennis Rodman while visiting North Korea was able to convince Kim Jong Un to let him operate a Radio Sport competition (Dx Pedition). All was going well, Rodman got properly licensed and a prominent DX Group followed him in to set up and get on the air ? then I woke up and the bands were dead ? again.

Maybe someone should introduce Martti to Rodman and go along with him on his next ?Good Will? visit.

73, Gary W8VI

21635. Fwd: [TCDXA-list] FT5ZM PRESS RELEASE

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-09-10 16:23:01 UTC
From: Hans Brakob
Topic: 21635 Message: 21635
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

---------- Forwarded message ----------
From: "Jim" <k0juh@...>
Date: Tue, Sep 10, 2013 at 11:18 AM
Subject: [TCDXA-list] FT5ZM PRESS RELEASE
To: "TCDXA-list@..." <TCDXA-list@...>

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> FT5ZM Amsterdam Island DXpedition
> Press Release ☐ September 10, 2013
> By Ralph Fedor, KØIR
> The Amsterdam Island DXpedition team's progress continues unabated.
> Essentially all the team's equipment is now in hand and at the Atlanta
> staging area or undergoing final testing in preparation for shipment to
> Atlanta. Gear will soon be sorted into contents bound for the Mataf
> operating location and the Antonelli operating location (see our website
> page: <http://www.amsterdamdx.org/ft5zm-operating-sites/>
> http://www.amsterdamdx.org/ft5zm-operating-sites/).
>
> There will be no guess work about what piece of equipment goes to which site
> when we land. Efficiency means more time on the air and more QSO's. Bob,
> N2OO, has been working on our maritime mobile operation to provide QSO's
> with some rare grids between Australia and Amsterdam Island. Arnie, N6HC,
> is our team doctor and has finalized his medical resources. Jerry, WB9Z,
> has been hard at work with his team cutting radials and coax, thousands of
> feet of each, but the job is now done.
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> Bob, K4UEE, our chief financial officer has been watching our income and
> expenses and trying to be as frugal as possible without compromising our
> ability to generate lots of QSO's. Craig, K9CT, has been putting our K3's
> and bandpass filters through extensive testing and has worked with Neil,
> VA7DX; Gregg, W6IZT; and George, N4GRN, on our network and logging protocol.
> Erling, LA6VM, and Andy, UA3AB, have been working hard to inform Europeans
> of our progress and peak their interest, while VE7CT beats the drum in
> Canada. Michel, FM5CD, has worked closely with the French authorities,
> answering their questions and Nodir, EY8MM, has focused on our low band
> capabilities. Jorge, HK1R, has worked hard to generate interest in South
> America.
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> Donating is Easy! Follow this link to the

> Donate button on the FT5ZM Home Page
> <http://www.amsterdamdx.org> www.amsterdamdx.org
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21636. ZM90DX Special Event Station

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-09-11 06:14:02 UTC
From: Rick Kiessig
Topic: 21636 Message: 21636

Thought this might be of interest.

73, Rick ZL2HAM

After World War 1 and with the banishment of radio amateurs to the supposedly "useless shorter wavelengths" an amazing period of radio exploration took place. Amateurs all over the globe soon learnt that far from being useless these wavelengths seemed to allow communication over long distances. Amateurs in ZL were at the forefront of this activity with the first ZL to VK QSO in April 1923, and then world record distance QSOs between ZL and Argentina in May 1924, ZL and California in September 1924, ZL and Connecticut on the US east coast just weeks later, and the ultimate Z4AA Frank Bell's QSO with Cecil Goyder G2SZ in London on 18 October 1924.

To commemorate the 90th anniversary of the record breaking activities of these early pioneers of Amateur Radio, ZM90DX will be on the air between 1 October 2013 and 31 October 2014 on all bands 1.8 MHz to 1.2 GHz and beyond in all modes. Activated by the Kiwi DX Group, an informal group of DXers and contest enthusiasts, ZM90DX will be used around New Zealand and a special commemorative QSL card will be available as well as an award program for contacts with ZL during this period.

Not only will ZM90DX be active at expected times and on expected bands, but in the spirit of those early pioneers the ZM90DX operators will also be calling CQ on bands and in directions one may not necessarily expect with the intention of exploring the boundaries of radio propagation.

This will be an unparalleled opportunity for Amateurs all over the world to work ZL while celebrating the exploits of those early trail blazers whose work paved the way for radio communications as we know it today.

Further details can be found on http://www.zm90dx.com/.

Note: "Please remember this is a ZL based activity NOT ZL9 Campbell & Auckland Islands".

ENSURE your logging software logs ZM90DX correctly as ZL and NOT ZL9, Auckland / Campbell Islands

To update the Country File for your logging software please visit: http://www.country-files.com/

21637. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-09-11 14:01:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21637

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:Issued: 2013 Sep 11 1233 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30911
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 11 Sep 2013, 1209UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 11 Sep 2013 until 13 Sep 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Quiet conditions (<50% probability of C-class flares)
GEOMAGNETISM : Active conditions expected (A>=20 or K=4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 11 Sep 2013 10CM FLUX: 095 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 12 Sep 2013 10CM FLUX: 095 / AP: 011
PREDICTIONS FOR 13 Sep 2013 10CM FLUX: 095 / AP: 007
COMMENT: Solar activity is very low, no changes are foreseen for the next 48h.
Geomagnetic conditions have been quiet to unsettled (due to a sector
boundary crossing on September 10). The fast solar wind from a coronal hole
may arrive to the Earth in the coming 48h, causing active geomagnetic
conditions with possible minor storm levels.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 042, BASED ON 10 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 10 Sep 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 095
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 018
AK WINGST : 009
ESTIMATED AP : 010
ESTIMATED ISN : 015, BASED ON 22 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21638. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-09-12 14:01:04 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21638

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:Issued: 2013 Sep 12 1355 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30912
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 12 Sep 2013, 1309UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 12 Sep 2013 until 14 Sep 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Quiet conditions (<50% probability of C-class flares)
GEOMAGNETISM : Active conditions expected (A>=20 or K=4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 12 Sep 2013 10CM FLUX: 094 / AP: 013
PREDICTIONS FOR 13 Sep 2013 10CM FLUX: 094 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 14 Sep 2013 10CM FLUX: 094 / AP: 007
COMMENT: Solar activity has been very low. There are now four numbered active
regions on the Sun, but the chances of flaring are still minor. Geomagnetic
conditions have been quiet. A fast solar wind from a coronal hole is
expected in the next 24h, conditions may rise to active levels with
isolated minor storm periods.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 039, BASED ON 11 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 11 Sep 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 069
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 093
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 013
AK WINGST : 006
ESTIMATED AP : 006
ESTIMATED ISN : 042, BASED ON 15 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21639. ARLD037 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-09-12 22:11:34 UTC
From: jjreisert@...
Topic: 6167 Message: 21639

SB DX @ ARL $ARLD037
ARLD037 DX news

ZCZC AE37
QST de W1AW
DX Bulletin 37 ARLD037
>From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT September 12, 2013
To all radio amateurs

SB DX ARL ARLD037
ARLD037 DX news

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by NC1L, the OPDX Bulletin, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, DXNL, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

MADAGASCAR, 5R. Daniel, DF8UO is QRV as 5R8UO until September 20 while on work assignment. He is active on 40 to 10 meters using CW and digital modes in his spare time. This includes being an entry in the Worked All Europe SSB DX contest. QSL to home call.

MALDIVES, 8Q. Christian, DL2MDU and Heike, DO3HDA will be QRV as 8Q7CF from the Biyadhoo Island Resort from September 15 to 27. Activity will be on 80 to 10 meters and possibly 160 meters using CW, SSB and various digital modes. QSL via DL2MDU.

MADEIRA ISLANDS, CT3. Station DJ8OG is QRV as CT9/DJ8OG until September 17. He will be active as CR3L in the Worked All Europe SSB DX contest. QSL CR3L via DJ6QT and CT9/DJ8OG to home call.

PANAMA, HP. A group of operators will be QRV as HP0INT/9 from Iguana Island, IOTA NA-203, from September 13 to 15, and then as HP0INT/4 from Colon Island, IOTA NA-088, from September 16 to 18. Activity will be on 40 to 10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via F5CWU.

MINAMI TORISHIMA, JD1. Take, JG8NQJ is QRV as JG8NQJ/JD1 from Marcus Island, IOTA OC-073, until mid September while on work assignment. Activity is in his spare time on 17, 15, 12 and 10 meters using CW. QSL to home call.

SVALBARD, JW. A group of operators are QRV as JW5E from Longyearbyen, Spitsbergen Island, IOTA EU-026, until September 16. Activity is on all bands and modes. This includes being an entry in the WAE SSB contest. QSL direct.

BONAIRE, PJ4. Frank, PH2M is QRV as PJ4M until September 26. Activity is holiday style on the HF bands. QSL this activity via PH2M.

ST. MAARTEN, PJ7. David, AH6HY is QRV as PJ7/AH6HY until September 18. Activity is holiday style during his evening hours on 20, 17 and 15 meters using SSB. QSL to home call.

POLAND, SP. Special event stations 3Z1JESIEN, 3Z3JESIEN, HF1JESIEN, HF3JESIEN, SN1JESIEN and SN3JESIEN will be QRV from September 16 to 26 during a welcome to the Autumn Season known as Witamy Jesien. QSL via bureau.

GREECE, SV. Special event station SV130PAP is QRV until September 21 from several locations in commemoration of the 130th birthday of scientist George N. Papanicolaou. Activity is on 160 to 2 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY, PSK, JT65, FSK441 and Meteor Scatter. QSL via operators' instructions.

MICRONESIA, V6. Gerben, PG5M is QRV as V6G from Yap Island, IOTA OC-012, until September 15. Activity is on 40 to 10 meters using CW. QSL to home call.

PALAU, T8. After his Micronesia operation, Gerben, PG5M will be QRV as T8GM from September 15 to 19. Activity will be on 40 to 10 meters using CW. QSL to home call.

NAMIBIA, V5. Hans, DF2UU and Hardy, DF3GY are QRV as V55V from Omaruru. Activity is on 160 to 6 meters using CW and SSB. This also includes being an entry in the Worked All Europe SSB DX contest. QSL via DJ8VC.

BERMUDA, VP9. Christoph, DL1YAF is QRV as VP9/DL1YAF until September 25. Activity is holiday style on the HF bands using CW, SSB and PSK31. QSL to home call.

MYANMAR, XZ. Zorro, JH1AJT will be QRV as XZ1Z from Nay Pyi Taw from September 18 to 23. Activity will be on 160 to 10 meters using CW, SSB and various digital modes. QSL to home call.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The ARRL September VHF Contest, North American SSB Sprint, Worked All Europe SSB DX Contest, FISTS Get Your Feet Wet CW Weekend, QRP CW Fox Hunt, NCCC RTTY Sprint Ladder, NCCC Sprint, FOC CW QSO Party, Kulikovo Polye CW Contest, CIS DX QPSK63 Contest, Arkansas QSO Party and the WAB 144 MHz QRO Phone are all on tap for this weekend. The Run for the Bacon QRP CW Contest is scheduled for September 16. Please see September QST, page 79, and the ARRL and WA7BNM contest web sites for details.
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21640. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-09-13 14:01:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21640

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:Issued: 2013 Sep 13 1245 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30913
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 13 Sep 2013, 1209UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 13 Sep 2013 until 15 Sep 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Quiet conditions (<50% probability of C-class flares)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 13 Sep 2013 10CM FLUX: 093 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 14 Sep 2013 10CM FLUX: 092 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 15 Sep 2013 10CM FLUX: 091 / AP: 007
COMMENT: Solar activity is very low, no C-class flares in past 7 days. There are
five numbered active regions on the solar disc today, none is expected to
produce important flares. The coronal hole fast solar wind arrived around
18:00 UT on September 12. It produced only unsettled conditions. Quiet to
unsettled conditions are expected for the next 48h.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 026, BASED ON 13 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 12 Sep 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 093
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 013
AK WINGST : 008
ESTIMATED AP : 007
ESTIMATED ISN : 036, BASED ON 13 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21641. 425 DX News - #1167

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-09-13 16:30:18 UTC
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Topic: 21641 Message: 21641

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** DX INFORMATION ****
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5R - Daniel, DF8UO is active as 5R8UO from Madagascar (AF-013) until 20 September. He is QRV in his spare time on 40-10 metres CW and digital modes, and will participate in the WAE SSB DX contest. QSL via home call and LoTW. [TNX DXNL]
7X - Celebrating the 50th anniversary of Algeria's IARU member society ARA (Amateurs Radio Algeriens), special callsign 7T9A will be used from Sridjina Island (AF-104) on 19-21 September. QSL via 7X2ARA.
C2 - Yuki, JH1NBN will operate SSB as C21BN from Nauru (OC-031) on 16-26 September. He will be QRV in his spare time, probably during his evenings, running 100 watts into a wire antenna. QSL via JH1NBN (direct). [TNX The Daily DX]
F - The Radio Club du Bassin d'Arcachon (F5KAY) will be active as TM49PB from the lighthouse at Cap Ferret on 14-15 September. They will operate SSB, CW and digital modes on 160, 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 metres with two stations. QSL via F5KAY. [TNX F8REF]
F - Special callsign TM90KOB will be in use on 14-27 September to celebrate the 90th anniversary of the Radio Club de l'Aube (F5KOB). Activity on the HF bands CW, SSB and digital modes, as well as on the VHF bands SSB and FM. QSL via F5KOB. [TNX F8REF]
F - The Association des Radioamateurs des Cotes d'Armor will be active as TM6BRE from Brehat Island (EU-074) on 28-29 September. They expect to be QRV with three stations on 40, 80, 20, 15, 10, 6 and 2 metres CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL via F4EUG. [TNX F8REF]
FR - Willi, DJ7RJ will be active as FR/DJ7RJ from Reunion Island (AF-016) from 28 September to 2 November. He will operate CW and SSB on 160-10 metres, with a focus on the low bands. QSL via home call. [TNX AA1M]
G - October 2014 will mark the 90th anniversary of the first radio transmissions from Great Britain to New Zealand (see ZM90DX below). In preparation for these celebrations, the special call GB2NZ (http://gb2nz.com/) will be operational on 5-25 October this year. Activity will be predominantly on 80 metres. QSL via M0OXO (preferably through the OQRS at www.m0oxo.com (http://www.m0oxo.com)). [TNX G3SJJ]
H4 - Bernard, DL2GAC will be active again as H44MS from Honiara (OC-047), Solomon Islands from 3 October to 26 November. Hermann, DL2NUD will be along operating EME as H44HP until mid-November

(possibly with a side trip to Vanuatu with activity as YJ9HP). QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. [TNX DL2GAC]
HP - Special event station HP500OP will be active on 20-30 September from Panama to celebrate the 500th anniversary of the discovery of the Pacific Ocean by Vasco Nunez de Balboa. QSL via HP1RCP (direct with SAE: "no IRCs, no Green Stamps, no eQSL, no bureau").
I - Look for IQ7IA to be active from Isola Traversa, Pedagne Islands (EU-091) on 14-15 September. QSL direct only. [TNX DX Coffee]
I - ARI La Spezia will be active again as IP1T from Tino Island (EU-083) from around 8 UTC on 21 September until around 14 UTC on the 22nd. They will be QRV on the HF bands, as well as on 70 and 144 MHz. QSL via IZ5JLF. Nice photo galleries of this year's previous two operations (27-28 July and 17-18 August) can be found at http://www.arilaspezia.it/pages/eventi.php [TNX IZ5JLF]
JD1_oga- Koji, JI1LET will be active as JD1BOI from Chichijima (AS-031), Ogasawara from 25 October to 3 November. He will operate SSB, CW and RTTY on 160-6 metres. QSL via home call, direct only. [TNX JI1LET]
JW - Rene, DL2JRM and Netti, DO6XX will be active as JW/homecalls from Longyearbyen (EU-026), Svalbard on 20-23 September. Expect JW/DL2JRM to focus on the SAC CW Contest (21-22 September), while JW/DO6XX will operate SSB and RTTY. QSL via home calls, direct or by the bureau. [TNX rsgbiota.org]
ON - Between 1873 and 1934 more than two million European emigrants left via Antwerp for the US on board the Red Star Line's ocean liners. Special callsign ON70REDSTAR will be activated from 21 September to 21 October to celebrate the opening of the Red Star Line Museum in Antwerp. QSL via ON4OSA.
OZ - Bernd, DL8AAV will be active as OZ0AV from Laeso Island (EU-088) on 16-28 September. QSL via DL8AAV, direct or bureau. [TNX rsgbiota.org]
SM - Fred, SM7DAY will be active again as SM7DAY/p from Senoren Island (EU-138) on 14-21 September. He plans to operate CW, SSB, PSK and maybe SSTV on the HF bands. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX SM7DAY]
SV - Martin, DB4BJ will be active as SV8/DB4BJ from Kerkyra/Corfu (EU-052) on 18-29 September. He will operate PSK and SSB on 20-10 metres. QSL via home call. [TNX The Daily DX]
SV - Eugene, RD8X will be travelling to Greece on a business trip between late September and early October. He plans to be QRV in his spare time as SV8/RD8X from Santorini Island (EU-067) on 25-28 September and from Paros Island (EU-067) on 28-30 September, and as SV9/RD8X from Crete (EU-015) from 30 September to 2 October. He will operate CW on 40 metres and up. [TNX RD8X]
SV9 - Uli, DJ9XB will be active holiday style as SW9XB from Crete (EU-015) from 21 September to 5 October. He will participate in the CQ WW RTTY Contest on 15 metres. QSL via home call and LoTW. [TNX NG3K]
T8 - Masashi, JL1FUQ will be active as T88GJ from Koror (OC-009), Palau on 20-24 September. He plans to be QRV on 6 metres (50130 kHz) and

on the high bands (20-10 metres) SSB, and possibly AM, PSK31 and RTTY. QSL via JL1FUQ, direct or bureau.
VE - Mike, VY0BRR aka VE2XB (www.vy0brr.jimdo.com (http://www.vy0brr.jimdo.com)), who is based on
Dorset Island (NA-156), will be active from Qikiqtarjuaq (Broughton Island, NA-130) on 23-27 September. Mike says he will concentrate his efforts on 40 and 80 metres CW and SSB "in the evenings as work permits". QSL via VE2XB, direct or bureau. [TNX VY0BRR]
VK9L - Tomas, VK2CCC will be active in his spare time as VK9LL from Lord Howe (OC-004) on 22-29 September. He will focus on 160 and 80 metres. QSL via VK2CCC, direct or bureau.
W - Once again Joe, K5KUA will be active as K5KUA/5 from Galveston Island (NA-143) on 13-15 September. He usually operates CW only on 40-10 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX rsgbiota.org]
W - Allen KB3WEY, along with his father Mike KA6DLN and twin sister Lizzie KB3WIA, will be active as KB3WEY/p from Assateague Island (NA-139) on 18-22 September. They will operate SSB and digital modes on 40-6 metres. QSL via KB3WEY (direct, LoTW and eQSL). [TNX rsgbiota.org]
W - Celebrating the 80th Anniversary of the Collins Radio Company, the Collins Radio Club stations will be conducting a special event operation on 21-23 and 28-30 September. Planned to be active are W0CXX and N0CXX (Cedar Rapids, IA), W5ROK (Richardson, TX), W4CRC (Melbourne, FL) and W6CXX (Tustin, CA). For all stations QSL via N3SL. Further information at www.w0cxx.org (http://www.w0cxx.org). [TNX OPDX Bulletin]
XE - Special event station XE3IARU will be active on 19-29 September during the IARU Region II General Assembly to be held in Cancun, Quintana Roo, Mexico. All QSOs will be confirmed via the bureau, direct QSL via DL6KAC. [TNX The Daily DX]
XU - Alex, M6CFW will be active "semi-holiday style" as XU7AEU from Cambodia on 24-28 September. He will operate mainly PSK31 PSK63 on 10 and 20 metres, but will try other modes and bands if time and equipment permit. QSL via M6CFW (direct), eQSL and LoTW. He will upload his log to Club Log at the end of the trip.
YB - The YE5R activity from Anambas (OC-108), originally scheduled for 15-20 September, has been postponed to 18-22 October. According to the entry on qrz.com, the operators will be YB4IR and a team from the Riau Islands Province's regional branch of ORARI.
YB - Ina, YD1NAA will be in Tanjung Balai Karimun on Karimun Besar Island (OC-075) for two months during a work assignment starting on 14 September. She will bring her rig and antenna and plans to operate mostly CW as YD1NAA/5. Her license class allows her to operate CW and SSB on 40 and 80 metres, and CW only on 15 and 10 metres. QSL for both YD1NAA and YD1NAA/5 via W2FB. [TNX W2FB]
ZL - 1923 and 1924 marked the zenith of long distance communication records culminating on 18 October 1924 on 80 metres with the first trans-world contact between Frank Bell (Z4AA) in Shag Valley, New Zealand and 18-year-old Cecil Goyder (G2SZ) in London. The Kiwi DX

Group will commemorate this event (and the many other ZL firsts
that occurred ninety years ago) with the special callsign ZM90DX,
which will be in use between 1 October 2013 to 31 October 2014 on
all bands (1.8 MHz to 1.2 GHz and beyond) and modes. All
operations will take place from New Zeland, NOT from ZL9! QSL via
M0OXO. Further details can be found at www.zm90dx.com (http://www.zm90dx.com) [TNX ZL3NB]

SOUTHEAST ASIA TOUR ---> Fusao, JR3CNQ and Takeshi, JS6RRR (JI3DST) will be
active as 9V1/JR3CNQ and 9V1/JS6RRR from Singapore (AS-019) on 20-21
September and again for a few hours on the 23rd. On 21-23 September they
will operate as 9M2/JR3CNQ and 9M2/JS6RRR from West Malaysia. They will be
QRV on 40-10 metres CW and SSB. QSL via home calls. [TNX JI3DST]

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**** GOOD TO KNOW ... ****
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425 DX NEWS MAGAZINE ---> The August 2013 issue is now available for
download at www.425dxn.org/monthly/index.html (http://www.425dxn.org/monthly/index.html).
[TNX IZ3EBA]

AMSTERDAM 2014 ---> "Essentially all the FT5ZM team's equipment is now in
hand and at the Atlanta staging area or undergoing final testing in
preparation for shipment to Atlanta", K0IR reported on 10 September. While
"the Amsterdam Island DXpedition team's progress continues unabated", a
major milestone occurred when the team made their initial payment (NZD
175,000) for the charter of the ship. "Our next payment is due in December,
so like all major DXpeditions of this magnitude, we will feel the cash flow
crunch shortly. We are hoping you can support us up front when we need the
money and help us make Amsterdam a memorable DXpedition. If you've
supported us, we greatly appreciate it. If you have not yet done so, please
consider helping us now". More information on the DXpedition budget can be
found at http://www.amsterdamdx.org/why-does-this-dxpedition-cost-so-much/
"Let's assume we are on the air for 14 days", K4UEE says. "That equates to
20,160 minutes on the air. If our budget is $400,000 (not including
operator travel costs to Perth and back), then our time on the air costs
$19.84 per minute. Assume we make 100,000 QSOs, (a worthy goal for a #4
'most-needed'). The cost per QSO works out to $4.00". The DXpedition
operators will pay about half of that, but "our sponsors including DX
Foundations, DX Clubs and individual DXers worldwide need to pay the
remainder. So, when deciding not if, but how much support you will offer
FT5ZM, ask yourself: How many QSOs am I going to make? How important are
those QSOs to me?"

GREEK TELEGRAPHY CLUB CUP ---> The 3rd Greek Telegraphy Club CW Cup will
take place from 12 UTC on 5 October until 12 UTC on the 6th. Full details
can be found at http://www.raag.org/displayITM1.asp?ITMID=630&LANG=EN [TNX
SV5DKL]

P29VNX ---> The 8-13 September operation from Lissenung Island (OC-008) [425DXN 1161] by Akira, JA1NLX (P29VNX) has been cancelled due to flight problems.

QSL 5A1AL ---> Abubaker Alzway, 5A1AL (DL1AL) says that his stay in Libya has been extended. All of the QSL cards that have already been sent to his address in Germany will be forwarded to him via air mail "until 15 September 2013". His current address for QSLling is P.O. Box 6279, Tripoli, Libya: send only your card and a SAE, return postage to be paid via PayPal (please email elzo71[@]yahoo.com for PayPal account details).

QSL 9M2PJU ---> Effective immediately, the new QSL route for 9M2PJU is via K2AU (direct). "I will not reply any QSL cards received from MARTS bureau", Piju says, "but I will confirm QSOs on LoTW".

QSL YD9RQX/P ---> Steve, W2FB reports that he will be the QSL manager for YD9RQX/p (OC-275). Steve will not use any OQRS for this operation: YD9RQX "needs QSL cards to upgrade to the next license class", and so Steve would like "to get as many cards as possible from as many countries as possible".

QSL VIA NR6M ---> Rex is the new QSL manager for contacts made with either VK4SWE and VK4EI (Lyn on Sweers Island, OC-227). "I am starting the process of converting all the logs from paper to computer", he says. "There are a lot so this will take a little time". Direct cards should be sent to Rex Turvin, 18040 W Banning Street, Casa Grande AZ 85193, USA.

+ SILENT KEYS + The Amateur Radio Society of Kenya reports the tragic news of the untimely passing of Jagjeet Singh Virdee (5Z4GB/5H3JS), who was killed on 30 August in an attack by an armed gang at his home in Kericho.

QSLs received direct or through managers: 4A8DMR, 5W0M, 6O3A, 7O6T, 8R1AK, 9J2QQV, 9L1X, 9M2FB (AS-074), A41MX, BP0A (AS-103), CR5OIT, DL0IL, DU1/JA1PBV (OC-175), E51JD, EG3INT/7 (EU-152), EI0LHL, F4BKV/P (EU-148, EU-058 and EU-070), FG5FR, FH5EJ, FO5RH (OC-066), FS/K9EL, HC2AO, HC2IWM/8 (SA-004), HC3/DL5YWM (SA-034), HD8A, HI3B, HS0ZGQ, HV0A, J28AA, K6VVA/KL7 (NA-050 and NA-152), K6VVA/VE7 (NA-091), KG4RX, LA5O (EU-076), LU5FF, N4OW (NA-141), OD5ARMY, OJ0V, OM3SEM, PY0F/PP1CZ, RI1ANP, T2YY, T6T, TG1B, TK5MH, TM0SI (EU-068), TU2T, TX5K, V5/DK1CE, V5/DK9IP, VK0JJJ, VK0TH, VP8LP, VR2KF, WP4NFL, XZ1Z, YB0D (OC-177), YB8XM/p (OC-271), YE6N (OC-161), YN2N, YV5AM, Z61AA, ZL9HR.

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21642. 425 DX Calendar - #1167

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
******* CALENDAR *******
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21/09-21/10 ON70REDSTAR: special callsign 1167
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21/09-23/09 W6CXX: Collins Radio Company 80th anniversary 1167
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September S5##EB: special callsigns 1163
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21643. ARLP037 Propagation de K7RA

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ARLP037 Propagation de K7RA

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QST de W1AW
Propagation Forecast Bulletin 37 ARLP037
>From Tad Cook, K7RA
Seattle, WA September 13, 2013
To all radio amateurs

SB PROP ARL ARLP037
ARLP037 Propagation de K7RA

Solar activity was very, very quiet over the past week. For the reporting period September 5-11, the average daily sunspot number was only 37.7. Average daily sunspot numbers as reported in this bulletin have not been nearly this low since Propagation Forecast Bulletin ARLP024, reporting for June 6-12 of this year, when it was 39.6. The last time it was lower was June 21-27 of last year, when it was 26.3, as reported in Propagation Forecast Bulletin ARLP026 in 2012.

Australia's IPS Radio and Space Services issued a geomagnetic disturbance warning at 2330 UTC on September 11. They expect increased geomagnetic activity due to a high speed solar wind stream spewing forth from a coronal hole. Coronal holes are magnetic gaps in our Sun's corona which allow some of the Sun's tremendous energy to blast out into space. Occasionally some of it reaches our planet, depending on which way the hole points.

Australia's IPS expects unsettled to active conditions on September 12, with a chance of isolated minor storm levels, unsettled to active conditions again on September 13, and quiet to unsettled conditions on September 14.

Predicted planetary A index from NOAA/USAF is 15 and 8 on September 13-14, 5 on September 15-16, 15 and 10 on September 17-18, 15 and 8 on September 19-20, 5 on September 21-25, 10 and 15 on September 26-27, 10 on September 28-29, and 5 on September 30 through October 5.

Predicted solar flux is 95 on September 13, 100 on September 14-17, 105 on September 18-20, 120 on September 21-22, 115 on September 23-30, then 110, 105 and 100 on October 1-3. It then goes to a minimum of 95 on October 4-5, and rises to a maximum of 120 on October 18-19.

F.K. Janda, OK1HH of the Czech Propagation Interest Group predicts geomagnetic conditions will be quiet today on September 13, mostly quiet September 14, quiet again on September 15-16, quiet to active September 17, active to disturbed September 18, quiet to unsettled September 19-21, mostly quiet again on September 22, quiet to active September 23, quiet again on September 24-25, mostly quiet September 26, active to disturbed September 27, quiet to active September 28, mostly quiet September 29, quiet again on September 30, quiet to active October 1, and quiet again on October 2.

A fascinating article appears this weekend concerning reconciliation of various sunspot records, on the http://HispanicBusiness.com web site, which might seem a little odd, but of course we welcome good verifiable information wherever we can find it. Read it at http://www.hispanicbusiness.com/2013/9/12/spot_of_bother.htm but note that you may have to click on the URL twice. First time for me, I saw it redirect to another page on the site, but a second click goes to the article, "Spot of Bother," by Brian Owens, dated September 14, 2013.

Another interesting article, this time (yet again) concerning our Sun's shifting polarity:

http://www.mlive.com/weather/index.ssf/2013/09/the_suns_poles_are_switching_p.html.

Jeff Hartley, N8II wrote on September 11 from West Virginia (FM19cj): "Back on August 30 there was some Es excitement with unusual openings into Bear Island, JW9JKA (Svalbard, see http://dx-world.net/2013/jw9jka-bear-island-svalbard/) on 12 meter phone at 1823 UTC, then around 2100 UTC S5 (Slovenia) and F (France) were worked on 12 meter phone as well as EI6JK (59) and DL5RBW (2212 UTC) on 10 meter phone with good signals as well as DL5AXX on scatter over the South Atlantic and IZ3NYG direct path on 10 CW. Also logged on 10 meters was EA8YB S9+ on SSB.

"15 meters in the past 10 days has been open well to EU between about 1300-2000 UTC, sometimes much later and to Asia well after sunset on good days as well as to Indonesia in our mornings along with SE Asia.

"12 meters has been in and out to EU with 10 meters mostly only open to SA and the south Pacific in the evening and late afternoon. On Sept 5, 12 meters opened well to all of EU except Russia logging YL, 4Z, 9A, S5, EG9 (Ceuta),and DL between 1528-1834 UTC. XW8XZ was worked on 15 phone earlier at 1336 UTC with an S5 signal.

"HS0 and XW0YJY were loud on 15 phone around 0050 UTC on the September 8.

"On the September 10, I had a nice run of stations on 12 CW from 1427-1452 UTC including many fairly weak Russians south of Moscow in the third call area.

"FO/KH0PR has been worked several times on 10 CW making a rare IOTA tour including today, September 11 at 1846 UTC.

"12 meters seems to open well to EU some days and poorly others when the SFI is around 100 and K index is low, very difficult to predict. If the flux jumps up to around 120, 10 meters should come to life."

Note we are only nine days away from the Autumnal Equinox, on September 22, 2013, at 2044 UTC. As we move from Summer toward Fall, HF propagation generally improves. For example, if we run a projection using W6ELprop for two months earlier on August 22 using a smoothed sunspot number of 100 from Central California to Japan, 10 meters looks marginal from 2130-0130 UTC. But with the same sunspot number on September 22, conditions look excellent at 2100-0100 UTC and very good from 0100-0300 UTC.

Similarly, on the same dates, from Atlanta, Georgia to Spain on 12 meters on August 22, conditions on 12 meters look fairly good at 1430-2300 UTC. But two months later, signals should be excellent from 1230-2200 UTC on 12 meters over the same path.

If you would like to make a comment or have a tip for our readers, email the author at, k7ra@....

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service web page at, http://arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals. For an explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin, see http://arrl.org/the-sun-the-earth-the-ionosphere. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at http://arrl.org/w1aw-bulletins-archive-propagation. More good information and tutorials on propagation are at http://k9la.us/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://arrl.org/propagation.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of ARRL bulletins are at http://arrl.org/bulletins.

Sunspot numbers for September 5 through 11 were 75, 41, 35, 24, 13, 23, and 53, with a mean of 37.7. 10.7 cm flux was 110.1, 101.3, 98.5, 95.7, 94.3, 94.9, and 92.8, with a mean of 98.2. Estimated planetary A indices were 4, 5, 4, 6, 4, 7, and 6, with a mean of 5.1. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 3, 5, 4, 6, 4, 6, and 6, with a mean of 4.9.
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21644. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-09-14 14:01:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21644

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:Issued: 2013 Sep 14 1245 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30914
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 14 Sep 2013, 1209UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 14 Sep 2013 until 16 Sep 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Quiet conditions (<50% probability of C-class flares)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 14 Sep 2013 10CM FLUX: 092 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 15 Sep 2013 10CM FLUX: 093 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 16 Sep 2013 10CM FLUX: 094 / AP: 007
COMMENT: Solar activity is very low, no C-class flares in past 8 days. Geomagnetic
conditions were quiet to unsettled in Dourbes, while there was one period
of active conditions at planetary levels (Kp=4) from 15:00 UT to 18:00 UT
on September 13, due to the influence of the coronal hole related fast
solar wind. The Earth is still under the influence of this fast stream, but
quiet to unsettled conditions are expected for the next 48h.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 013, BASED ON 07 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 13 Sep 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 036
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 092
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 014
AK WINGST : 012
ESTIMATED AP : 012
ESTIMATED ISN : 024, BASED ON 15 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21645. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-09-15 14:01:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21645

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:Issued: 2013 Sep 15 1225 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30915
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 15 Sep 2013, 1209UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 15 Sep 2013 until 17 Sep 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Quiet conditions (<50% probability of C-class flares)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 15 Sep 2013 10CM FLUX: 093 / AP: 001
PREDICTIONS FOR 16 Sep 2013 10CM FLUX: 092 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 17 Sep 2013 10CM FLUX: 091 / AP: 007
COMMENT: Solar activity continues to be very low, no changes foreseen. Geomagnetic
conditions have been quiet, they are expected to remain so until the
arrival of the fast speed from a coronal hole in about 48h.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 009, BASED ON 07 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 14 Sep 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 093
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 008
AK WINGST : 006
ESTIMATED AP : 005
ESTIMATED ISN : 011, BASED ON 12 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21646. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1128

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-09-15 18:38:58 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 21646 Message: 21646

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The Ohio/Penn DX PacketCluster
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BID: $OPDX.1128
September 16, 2013
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

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***** SPECIAL NOTE FROM EDITOR: "I have been experiencing some E-mail problems over the last few weeks, especially with <kb8nw@...> address. The <arrl.net> address has been very erratic (bounces and delays), so only use as a last resort. I have added a new E-mail address <kb8nw@...> to be used before the <arrl.net> address, if the <kb8nw@...> address does not work. I hope this will help the problem of mail getting to me.... 73 de Tedd KB8NW"

DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 8th-September, through Sunday, 15th-September there were 220 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3B9, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5A, 5B, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9U, 9V, 9X, 9Y, A2, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FH, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HC8, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J6, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JX, JY, K, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OJ0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ5, PJ7, PY, PY0F, PZ, S2, S5, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T2, T5, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TT, TU, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V6, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK9N, VP2E, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XT, XW, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YJ, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, Z8, ZA, ZB, ZD7, ZD9, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS, ZS8

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

4S, SRI LANKA. Jürgen, DL3JH, is expected to be now active as 4S7JG from Sri Lanka (AS-003) until September 29th. Activity should be on all HF bands using CW and SSB. No QSNs have been reported. QSL via DL3JH, by the Bureau or direct. Please NO IRCs!

5R, MADAGASCAR. Daniel, DF8UO, is once again active as 5R8UO from Madagascar Island (AF-013) until September 20th. Activity will be mainly CW, with some SSB and the Digital modes on 40-10 meters. QSL via his home callsign, direct, by the Bureau or eQSL. He is expected to upload his log to LoTW.

DXPEDITIONS TOUR (Update OPDX.1116). Yuki, JH1NBN, who is currently on a business trip Bangkok, Thailand, and is now heading to Nauru Island (C2). He is expected to be active as C21BN between September 16-26th. Activity will be limited to his spare time during his night hours on 80-6 meters SSB using 100 watts into a wire antenna. QSL via JH1NBN.
ADDED NOTE from his Web page at: http://www.1nbn.net
He will have other business trips planned:
Micronesia (V63AQ/V6T on OC-132) late in 2013
Nauru Island (C21BN) early next year 2014

EA6, BALEARIC ISLANDS. Terry, G4MKP, will be active as EA6/G4MKP from Mallorca Island (EU-004) during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. Activity will be holiday style. QSL via M0URX.

FRENCH AFRICAN ISLAND TOUR. Armin, DK9PY, will activate two African island in November. His scheduled activations with callsigns are as follows:
November 4-11th - Mayotte Island (AF-027); callsign FH/DK9PY
November 11-22nd - Reunion Island (AF-016); callsign FR/DK9PY

Activity will be mainly CW on 40-10 meters about 12 kHz from the lower edge of each band. There will be a focus on the 30/17/12 meter bands. If his location permits, Armin will also try 160 and 80 meters. QSL via his home callsign.

FT5ZM AMSTERDAM ISLAND DXPEDITION PRESS RELEASE (From Ralph, K0IR, dated September 10th): "The Amsterdam Island DXpedition team's progress continues unabated. Essentially all the team's equipment is now in hand and at the Atlanta staging area or undergoing final testing in preparation for shipment to Atlanta. Gear will soon be sorted into contents bound for the Mataf operating location and the Antonelli operating location (see our website page <http://www.amsterdamdx.org/ft5zm-operating-sites>. There will be no guess work about what piece of equipment goes to which site when we land. Efficiency means more time on the air and more QSO's. Bob, N2OO, has been working on our maritime mobile operation to provide QSO's with some rare grids between Australia and Amsterdam Island. Arnie, N6HC, is our team doctor and has finalized his medical resources. Jerry,

WB9Z, has been hard at work with his team cutting radials and coax, thousands of feet of each, but the job is now done. Bob, K4UEE, our chief financial officer has been watching our income and expenses and trying to be as frugal as possible without compromising our ability to generate lots of QSO's. Craig, K9CT, has been putting our K3's and bandpass filters through extensive testing and has worked with Neil/VA7DX, Gregg/W6IZT, and George/N4GRN on our network and logging protocol. Erling/LA6VM and Andy/UA3AB have been working hard to inform Europeans of our progress and peak their interest, while VE7CT beats the drum in Canada. Michel, FM5CD, has worked closely with the French authorities, answering their questions and Nodir, EY8MM, has focused on our low band capabilities. Jorge, HK1R, has worked hard to generate interest in South America.
The berth and fuel for our ship has been reserved in Fremantle, Australia, and our New Zealand customs agent has been retained. We've submitted a 'shopping list' to our friends in New Zealand and Australia; they will purchase items for us that will come aboard in either Tauranga or Fremantle. Finally, a major milestone occurred recently ☐ something that says, 'There is no turning back now'. We made our initial payment for the charter of our ship, the 'MV Braveheart'. This amounted to $175,000 (NZD). Our team members are now fully vested (all in) financially. Our next payment is due in December, so like all major DXpeditions of this magnitude, we will feel the cash flow crunch shortly. We are hoping you can support us up front when we need the money and help us make Amsterdam a memorable DXpedition. If you've supported us, we greatly appreciate it. If you have not yet done so, please consider helping us now. All the team members will sleep a little better knowing you have our back..... Ralph ☐ K0IR"

HP0, PANAMA (IOTA Tour Reminder). By the time you read this, operators Christian/EA3NT, Raul/EA5KA, Vincent/F4BKV and Col/MM0NDX, from the Invoker Team, should be finishing their activation of six Panamanian islands. Their last island is Colon [Bocas del Toro] (NA-088) as HP0INT/4 until September 18th. Activity will be on 40-10 meters using CW and SSB. Direct QSLs are via F4BKV (OQRS preferred) [if you use IRC, he only accepts the new model valid until 2017]. Bureau QSLs are via F5CWU (OQRS preferred). More details and the OQRS are available at: http://www.invokerteam.com/hp0int

IOTA NEWS.....
AF-104. Members of the Amateur Radio Algerian (ARA) club will be active as 7T9A from Srigina Island (ARLHS ALG-023, WLOTA 3104) to celebrate their 50th anniversary between September 19-21st. Activity will be on all bands and modes. QSL via info on QRZ.com.

EU-121. Members of the Mayo Radio Experimenters Network will be active as EJ0M from Aran Islands between September 28th and October 5th. Operators mentioned are Brendan/EI6IZ, Steve/G0MTD, Ian/G0VGS, Norman/G7MRL, Mike/M0PRL, Mark/M0WCR, Glyn/M0XUH and Paul/M1PAF. QSL via G0MTD, direct or by the Bureau.

EU-170. Members of the ARI Verona Club will be active as 9A/IQ3VO
from Dugi Otok between September 28th and October 1st. Activity
will be on all bands using all modes. QSL via IV3VO.

IS0, SARDINIA. Yuris, YL7A, will be active as IS0/YL7A from Sardinia
Island (EU-024) during the CQWW DX RTTY Contest (September 28-29th) as
a Single-Op/Single-Band (15m) entry. QSL via YL2GM.

JD1, OGASAWARA. Koji, JI1LET, will once again be active, but this time
as JD1BOI from Komagari, Chichijima Island (AS-031) between October 25th
and November 3rd. QSL via JI1LET direct only to: Koji Iijima, 7-12 Tenma,
Gyoda, SAITAMA 361-0076, JAPAN.

PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (September 16-22nd)....
Sep/16th AN Sep/19th HN Sep/21st AN
Sep/17th HN Sep/20th AN Sep/22nd AN
Sep/18th HN

SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS/INDEXES AND GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE
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NORMALITY GEOMAG K Values Alpha
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AN - Above Normal Quiet K=0-1 0-7
HN - High Normal Unsettled K=2 8-15
LN - Low Normal Active K=3 16-29
BN - Below Normal Minor Storm K=4 30-49
DIS - Disturbed Major Storm K=5 50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed Severe Storm K=6-9 100-400

*** ADDED NOTE: Has anyone heard or seen from Lee, KH6BZF? Your
editor has been sending him E-mails for 5 weeks and has not
received an answer......

OA, PERU. Operators Jim/K6ZH and Bud/N7CW will be joining Jack/N6XQ at
Jack's, OA4TT, Almosta Superstation for the CQWW DX CW Contest (November
23-24th) as a Multi-Op/Single-TX/High-Power entry. Jim and Bud will use
OA4/homecall on 160-6 meters for about 1 week prior to the contest and
they hope to have a special callsign for the contest. An OQRS will be
available, and all logs will be uploaded to LoTW very quickly after they
return home.

OD5, LEBANON. Adrian, EA1CYK, will be active as OD5/EA1CYK (pending)
from Lebanon between November 2013 until May 2014. Activity will be on
all HF bands on SSB. QSL via his manager "Quillo", EA7LS, by the Bureau
or direct.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (For September 8th and 15th)

3B9EME via I3LDP EG7SDC via EA1AUM OH10TA via OH1MN
3Z3P via SQ9PPO EG8SDC via EA1AUM OQ2MRS via ON4RCN
5A1AL via DL1AL EG8SDC via EA1AUM OR1Z via ON6IX (d/e)
5B4AIF via EB7DX EG9SDC via EA1AUM OU2DX via PA0ABM

5B4AJC via UA3DX EH2CDP via EA2TW PA60IPA via PA9LUC
5B4AKM via 5B4MF EM0I via UT2IZ PW7T via PT7WA
8N6MMTTY via JS6PSH EM1000NLM via UT7NI R20RRC/6 via RZ3EC
9A/OK1DSM via OK1DSM EM150KV via UT1KY R70SM via RA3LV
9A/PH2A via PH2A F/DK9IO via DK9IO RA/UT2LA via UT2LA
9V1PW via JH4PHW FO/KH0PR via JJ8DEN SE6Y via SM6DED
9X0ZM via JO1CRA GB2LDS via G7MRV SM6XVI via PA3FUJ
A61ZX via IZ8CLM GW100RSGB via M0VFC SV130PAP via SV2HTI
A71CO via EA7FTR GX8HRC/A via G3SVK T11SS via ER1SS
CK3AT via VE3AT H44J via JA0AOA T6T via RW6HS (d)
CR5150NM via CS5NRA HB0/HB9FIY/P via HB9FIY (e) TK/DL6NDW via DL6NDW
CT9/DJ8OG via DJ8OG HC8/G8OFQ via HA3JB TM1MAD via F5KLJ
CU6/CU3EJ via CU3EJ HF1939BPM via SP5PMD TM26NN via F5KTU
CU9/CU2CE via CU2CE HF790NYSA via SP6PNZ TM35CDXC via F5CWU
D3AA via UA1QV HL0ARDF via JR1CHU TM50ENSO via F5LGQ
DL100OUI via DK1IO HP1/AI5P via AI5P TM70MBH via F6KEH
DR10EDBG via DH1BUZ II1ROMA via IK8XVA UN7DA via RW6HS (d)
EA3/DL2FDL/P via DL2FDL II3ROMA via IK2VUC V5/DF3GY via DF3GY
ED3URC via EA3EM II7ROMA via IK2VUC W2WTC via K2HJB
EG1FIM via EA1URV II8OAMM via IQ8GZ W6H via KY5Q
EG1FIM via EA1URV IK3/DF2AJ via DF2AJ XR203CHI via XQ7UP
EG1SDC via EA1AUM IR0MA via IK2VUC YB9/DJ7XJ via OZ7XJ
EG2SDC via EA1AUM IR9W via IW0HBY YL110GAB via YL3GV
EG3SDC via EA1AUM LZ2013HST via LZ1BJ Z68BH via OH2BH
EG4SDC via EA1AUM OA6Q via OE3NHW ZL4IR via W8WC (d)
EG5SDC via EA1AUM OG3077F via OH3JF ZV1WSA via PU1VFC
(e) eQSL only (d) direct only (B) Bureau only (L) LoTW only

IE9/IQ7AF QSL STATUS. Fred, IK7JWX, reported that he received the IE9/IQ7AF QSLs from LZ3HI on September 10th. He request to NOT send him QSLs because he was going to send all QSLs out via the Bureau the next day. Check out his pictures and the IE9/IQ7AF QSL at: http://www.qrz.com/db/IE9IQ7AF

NE5BO via WA4NVM. Activity from Mt. Nebo during this past weekend's VHF Contest.

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 3B6RF, 4U1ITU, 7Z1CQ, 9H3MMM, 9H3NN, 9M4SLL, A31JY, A41OO, A61ZX, A92IO, BV1EL, C31PP, CE4SFG, D3AA, EA1DR, FH/DL7BC, GJ100RSGB, H44KW, HK1N, HV0A, HZ1SM, IZ8TXX, J47X, LX7I, MD0CCE, OD5ZZ, OX3KQ, PY0F/PP1CZ, OY1OF, PQ125GBA, SU9AF, SV3AQR, SV3RF, TZ6BB, UA0BA, V44KAI, VK9CZ, VK9NT, VP9/WA4PGM, XW8XZ, XZ1Z, YB0DJ, YB0NFL, YN2GY, YO3CZW, YS1/NP3J, Z81X and ZL4PW

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 9L1X, A45WH, FG5FR, FS/K9EL, HD8A, HI3B, HP1/IZ6BRN, HS0ZGQ, HV0A, KG4RX, LU2FLB, OJ0V, PA3CXC/ST0, RI1ANP, T2YY, TR8CA, TU2T, V5/DK9IP, VK0JJJ, YN2N and XZ1Z

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 4JR0SONG, 9K2F, 9K2HN, 9K2MY, 9K2OD, 9K2OK, 9K9X, 9M2/JE1SCJ, 9M2DVR, 9M2TO, 9M4DXX, 9M6LSC, A52KJ, AH0J, BN2009SDT, BN0HQ, BO0D, BP100S, BU/JJ1TBB, BU2AI, BU2AW, BU2AI/9,

BV100ROC, BV1EJ, BV2CE, BV2FI, BV2FT, BV2TL, BV2009WGK, BV2WL, BV2WN, BV2UJ, BV2YA, BV3DO, BV4KR, BV4QI, BV4VE, BV4VR, BV4WF, BV6GM, BV7FC, BV7GC, BV8YC, BV0BSC, BV0EXPO, BV0HQ, BW2/SP1RIW, BW0ARDF, BW0IR, BW0RS, BX2AAA, BX2ABD, BX2AF,BX2AG, BX2AK, BX3AA, BX3AH, BX4AAC, BX4AQ, BX0WPX, BX6AB, D9A, H40FN, JD1BLY, JD1BMH, JI1LET/JD1, KH2/JS6RRR, KH0XG, TA3/LZ2UW, VR2RR, WH0E, XV9NPS and XX9TTR

SILENT KEY. It has been reported that Wayne Green, W2NSD, became a Silent Key (SK) on September 13th. An eternal optimist, ham radio publications pioneer, visionary, and one who loved to share his neverending zest for life, he was a friend to many and will be missed greatly. OPDX and its reader would like to send out our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of W2NSD.

SV8 & SV9, GREECE AND CRETE (IOTA Op). Eugene, RD8X (ex-RN9XA), will be on a business trip in the Greece area between September 25th and October 2nd. His tentative schedule and callsigns are as follows:
September 25-28th - Santorini Island (EU-067); callsign SV8/RD8X
September 28-30th - Paros Island (EU-067); callsign SV8/RD8X
September 30th-October 2nd - Crete Island (EU-015); callsign SV9/RD8X

His equipment will be an Elecraft K-2/100 transceiver, and his antenna is a Buddipole Deluxe. Activity will be during his free time on the HF bands 40 meters and above using CW. Listen for QSL info.

T6, AFGHANISTAN. Reports indicate that Marvin, KL0ET, is currently operating as T6MC until January 1st, 2014. We have not seen any QSNs yet on the DXClusters, but activity is expected to be on 20/17/15/12/10 meters (propagation permitting) using SSB, the Digital modes and possibly some CW. QSL only via LoTW.

VK9C, LORD HOWE ISLAND (Reminder). Tomas, VK2CCC (aka LY1F), will once again be active as VK9LL between September 22-29th. Activity will be limited to his spare time with a focus on 160/80 meters. QSL via LoTW, and by the Bureau or direct via VK2CCC. For updates and possibly more details, watch the following Web pages: http://www.qrz.com/db/VK9LL (Web page from his 2010 operation) http://www.qrz.lt/ly1df/vk9clh.htm

VP9, BERMUDA. "The Daily DX" reports that Steve, AG2AA, will be active as VP9/AG2AA from Bermuda (NA-005) between October 21st and November 3rd. Operations will be from two different locations. The first location from a resort on the west end of the island starting between October 21-27th, operating QRP on 40 and 20 meters using CW and SSB. The second location from Ed, VP9GE's, Hamilton QTH <http://vp9ge.com> between October 28th and November 3rd, operating on several bands with 100 watts on CW and SSB. QSL via AG2AA, direct, by the Bureau or eQSL.

XU7, CAMBODIA. Alex, M6CFW, will once again be in Cambodia, but will be active with a new callsign as XU7AEU between September 24-28th. He states that his activity will be "working semi-holiday style". Operations will be mainly PSK31/63 on 10 and 20 meters, but he will try other modes and bands if time and equipment permit. Logs will be posted to eQSL immediately,

Clublog at the end of the trip and LoTW as soon as the ARRL accepts that the license is in Cambodian and they are not going to get a copy in English. QSL cards are available direct via his home callsign of M6CFW in England, along with a self addressed envelope and 2 euro or 2 USDs or a valid IRC. If you are in the UK you can just send an SASE. CARDS WILL NOT BE SENT VIA THE BUREAU.

YN, NICARAGUA. Jeff, N6GQ, will once again be active as YN2AA from Grenada, Nicaragua, starting October 22nd. Activity will be on 160-6 meters, and he will participate in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th) as a Single-OP/All-Band/High-Power entry. Jeff will probably use a K3 radio and 1 KW amp into the following antennas: a Tribander, 2 element 40m beam, wires and beverages for 80/160m. Jeff has added a second 40m yagi this year which should increase his signal from previous operations. QSL via NN3W, by the Bureau or direct. U.S. stations, please send SASE; DX stations, please send SAE with GS or IRC. Bureau service will take time. Logs will also be uploaded to LoTW.

Z38, MACEDONIA. By the time you read this, Predrag, YU1JF, will be active as Z38/YU1JF near Struga on Ohrid Lake until September 17th. Activity will be holiday style on 30-10 meters using mainly CW. QSL via his home callsign.

ZM90, NEW ZEALAND (Special Event Press Release #1) [edited]. "After World War I and with the banishment of radio amateurs to the supposedly 'useless shorter wavelengths' an amazing period of radio exploration took place. Amateurs all over the globe soon learnt that far from being useless these wavelengths seem to allow communication over long distances. Amateurs in ZL were at the forefront of this activity with the first ZL to VK QSO in April 1923, and then world record distance QSOs between ZL and Argentina in May 1924, ZL and California in September 1924, ZL and Connecticut on the U.S. east coast just weeks later, and the ultimate Z4AA, Frank Bell's, QSO with Cecil Goyder, G2SZ, in London on October 18, 1924.
To commemorate the 90th anniversary of the record breaking activities of these early pioneers of Amateur Radio, ZM90DX will be on the air between 1st October 2013 and 31st October 2014 on all bands 1.8 MHz to 1.2 GHz and beyond in all modes. Activated by the Kiwi DX Group, an informal group of DXers and contest enthusiasts, ZM90DX will be used around New Zealand and a special commemorative QSL card will be available as well as an award program for contacts with ZL during this period.
Not only will ZM90DX be active at expected times and on expected bands, but in the spirit of those early pioneers the ZM90DX operators will also be calling CQ on bands and in directions one may not necessarily expect with the intention of exploring the boundaries of radio propagation.
This will be an unparalleled opportunity for Amateurs all over the world to work ZL while celebrating the exploits of those early trail blazers whose work paved the way for radio communications as we know it today.
Further details can be found on: http://www.zm90dx.com
Note: 'Please remember this is a ZL based activity NOT ZL9 Campbell and Auckland Islands.' ENSURE your logging software logs ZM90DX correctly as ZL and NOT ZL9, Auckland and Campbell Islands. To update the Country File

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21647. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-09-16 14:01:03 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21647

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:Issued: 2013 Sep 16 1251 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30916
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 16 Sep 2013, 1209UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 16 Sep 2013 until 18 Sep 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Quiet conditions (<50% probability of C-class flares)
GEOMAGNETISM : Active conditions expected (A>=20 or K=4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 16 Sep 2013 10CM FLUX: 091 / AP: 006
PREDICTIONS FOR 17 Sep 2013 10CM FLUX: 090 / AP: 015
PREDICTIONS FOR 18 Sep 2013 10CM FLUX: 090 / AP: 007
COMMENT: There are currently three numbered sunspot groups on the solar disc. Solar
activity is very low, with no C-class flares reported since September 06.
The Earth is currently inside a slow solar wind flow with the speed of
about 350 km/s. The interplanetary magnetic field is stable with the
magnitude of about 4 nT. The geomagnetic conditions are quiet and expected
to remain so until the arrival of the fast speed stream in the following 24
hours.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 017, BASED ON 11 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 15 Sep 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 093
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 005
AK WINGST : 002
ESTIMATED AP : 002
ESTIMATED ISN : 009, BASED ON 14 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21648. Ohio/Penn DX Special Bulletin #1128.1

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-09-17 13:04:57 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 21648 Message: 21648

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September 17, 2013
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

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Clusters Network, JA1TRC, K4UUE and SQ8X for the following DX information.
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FT5Z, AMSTERDAM ISLAND (FT5ZM - $20.00 per minute on the air!). Posted on September 16th, by Stan, SQ8X, on the FT5ZM Web page [edited]:
"As Chief Financial Officer and fundraiser for the upcoming FT5ZM DXpedition, I am deeply involved in the subject of DXpedition costs and financing. I have served in the same role for numerous high-profile and expensive DXpeditions to very rare DX entities. Examples are 3Y0X, K5D, and HK0NA.
However, the article written by Don Greenbaum, N1DG, and published in several publications is the definitive work on the subject of DXpedition costs and financing. If you have not seen it, it□s available on the NCDXF website at: http://www.ncdxf.org/pages/dxresources.html
Don points out that DXpeditions to the Southern Oceans are the most expensive mainly because they involve a vessel charter. In his study, those charters averaged $260,000. However, three of the six DXpeditions included in that study took place 13-15 years ago and costs have risen significantly since then. See Ralph □ K0IR□s article on this website entitled 'Why Does This DXpedition Cost So Much?' It was posted in the 'News' section on 21 June 2013 at <www.amsterdamdx.org>. It details our current, up to date vessel charter costs. They represent 75% of our $400,000 DXpedition budget.
Now, to really put DXpedition costs in perspective, let me share some simple math with you. At FT5ZM, Let□s assume we are on the air for 14 days. That allows two days for set-up and two days for take down. That equates to 20,160 minutes on the air. If our budget is $400,000 (not including operator travel costs to Perth and back), then our time on the air costs $19.84 per minute. Yes, $19.84 per minute on the air !!!!!
Let□s take this a bit further. Assume we make 100,000 QSOs, (a worthy goal for a #4 'most-needed'). The cost per QSO works out to $4.00. Yes, $4.00 per QSO !!!!!
Now, for some good news, the DXpedition operators will pay about half of that. This means however, our sponsors including DX Foundations, DX

Clubs and individual DXers worldwide need to pay the remainder. So, when
deciding not if, but how much support you will offer FT5ZM, ask yourself:
How many QSOs am I going to make? How important are those QSOs to me?
Am I paying my fair share of the costs? Our DXpedition leader K0IR has
often joked that if every DXer would give up a cup of coffee for each
QSO with FT5ZM and send that money to support the DXpedition, we would
not have to worry about our expenses. You know, he is right.
73 and CU in the pileups! ..... Bob-K4UEE"

XZ, MYANMAR (XZ1Z Update). Jay, JA1TRC, reports (dated Sept. 16th):
"Zorro arrived Yangon last night and heading to Nay Pyi Taw this morning
(XZ local time) while waiting the customs clearance of the additional
equipment shipped this time. He will renew his operating permission at
the Posts and Telecommunications Department (PTD) of the Ministry of
Communications and Information Technology (MICT) when he arrive Nay
Pyi Taw.
Then he will start get on the air as soon as the antennas (GPs for 20
and 17m that he used in August) are set up. We hopefully receive the
equipment by the evening of 17th and put up tri-band Yagi beam. The
operation will be mainly on CW and focused to North and South Americas.
I expect to receive the logs if the hotel Internet connections are
stable, and hope to update ClubLog.
In the meantime, QSO data for all those who have requested via OQRS
for August operation are being uploaded to LoTW, and planning to do the
same for the September operation. Your generous donation to the children
in Myanmar can be sent to our PayPal account <xz@fgc.or.jp>.
FYI: XZ local time is UTC + 6:30"

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21649. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-09-17 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21649

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:Issued: 2013 Sep 17 1229 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30917
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 17 Sep 2013, 1209UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 17 Sep 2013 until 19 Sep 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Quiet conditions (<50% probability of C-class flares)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 17 Sep 2013 10CM FLUX: 093 / AP: 011
PREDICTIONS FOR 18 Sep 2013 10CM FLUX: 093 / AP: 008
PREDICTIONS FOR 19 Sep 2013 10CM FLUX: 093 / AP: 007
COMMENT: Solar activity is very low, with the background X-ray flux of a low B-class
level. No changes of solar activity are foreseen in the following 48 hours.
The Earth is still inside a slow solar wind flow with the speed of about
350 km/s. The interplanetary magnetic field magnitude is 6 nT. The
geomagnetic conditions are quiet to moderate and expected to remain so.
The possible arrival of the fast speed stream from the small equatorial
coronal hole, during the following hours, is not expected to result in the
change of the current geomagnetic conditions.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 023, BASED ON 09 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 16 Sep 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 095
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 009
AK WINGST : 004
ESTIMATED AP : 003
ESTIMATED ISN : 017, BASED ON 18 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21650. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-09-18 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21650

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:Issued: 2013 Sep 18 1231 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30918
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 18 Sep 2013, 1209UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 18 Sep 2013 until 20 Sep 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 18 Sep 2013 10CM FLUX: 099 / AP: 011
PREDICTIONS FOR 19 Sep 2013 10CM FLUX: 103 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 20 Sep 2013 10CM FLUX: 109 / AP: 007
COMMENT: There are currently seven numbered sunspot groups on the solar disc. Solar
activity is still low, with only one C-class flare reported during last 24
hours. The C3.9 flare (peaked at 03:15 UT, on September 18) originated from
the NOAA AR 1846 which just turned from behind the east solar limb. The
C-class flares are possible, in particular from the NOAA ARs 1846 and 1847.
The solar wind speed slightly increased and it is now about 400 km/s. The
interplanetary magnetic field magnitude is currently 5 nT. The occasional
short intervals of negative Bz component of the interplanetary magnetic
field resulted in K=3, as reported by local stations Dourbes and Izmiran.
The geomagnetic conditions are quiet to unsettled and expected to remain so
in the following 48 hours.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 044, BASED ON 11 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 17 Sep 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 024
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 099
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 016
AK WINGST : 010
ESTIMATED AP : 009
ESTIMATED ISN : 029, BASED ON 14 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
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21651. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-09-19 14:01:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21651

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:Issued: 2013 Sep 19 1305 UTC
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#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
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SIDC URSIGRAM 30919
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 19 Sep 2013, 1309UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 19 Sep 2013 until 21 Sep 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Quiet conditions (<50% probability of C-class flares)
GEOMAGNETISM : Active conditions expected (A>=20 or K=4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 19 Sep 2013 10CM FLUX: 103 / AP: 016
PREDICTIONS FOR 20 Sep 2013 10CM FLUX: 109 / AP: 010
PREDICTIONS FOR 21 Sep 2013 10CM FLUX: 110 / AP: 008
COMMENT: Solar activity remains low. The only C-class flare reported during last 24
hours is C1.8 flare which peaked at 08:17 UT on September 19. From the
currently available data it seems that flare originated from the Catania
sunspot group 80 (NOAA AR 1836), situated just behind the east solar limb.
The eruption from the Catania sunspot group 76 (NOAA AR 1845) at about
03:44 UT on September 19, has no reported flare. From the currently
available data it seems that the CME is associated with coronal dimming,
EIT wave, and it is possibly Earth-oriented. We expect flaring activity on
the C-level. The Earth is currently inside a fast solar wind flow with the
speed of about 600 km/s. The fast flow associated with the small equatorial
coronal hole arrived in the afternoon of September 18. The low-latitude
coronal hole in the northern hemisphere has reached the central meridian
today. We expect arrival of the associated fast flow in the morning of
September 22. The interplanetary magnetic field magnitude is currently
stable having value of about 5 nT. The occasional intervals of negative Bz
component of the interplanetary magnetic field, due to the arrival of a
fast flow, resulted in unsettled to active geomagnetic conditions (up to
K=4, as reported by local station Dourbe). The geomagnetic conditions are
at the moment quiet to unsettled and expected to remain so in the following
48 hours.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 044, BASED ON 14 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 18 Sep 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 104
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 016
AK WINGST : 013
ESTIMATED AP : 011
ESTIMATED ISN : 044, BASED ON 18 STATIONS.
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NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END

21652. ARLD038 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-09-19 22:13:44 UTC
From: jjreisert@...
Topic: 6240 Message: 21652

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ARLD038 DX news

ZCZC AE38
QST de W1AW
DX Bulletin 38 ARLD038
>From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT September 19, 2013
To all radio amateurs

SB DX ARL ARLD038
ARLD038 DX news

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by HA3JB, IZ1JLF, NC1L, QRZ DX, the OPDX Bulletin, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, DXNL, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

MONTENEGRO, 4O. Gab, HG3IPA will be QRV as 4O/HG3IPA from Budva from September 23 to 30. Activity will be on the HF bands using CW, SSB and RTTY. He will also be active from Sveti Nikola Island, IOTA EU-163. This includes being an entry in the upcoming CQ WW RTTY contest. QSL via HA3JB.

SRI LANKA, 4S. Juergen, DL3JH is QRV as 4S7JG until September 29. He is active on all HF bands using CW and SSB. QSL direct to home call.

UGANDA, 5X. Nick, G3RWF, will be QRV as 5X1NH from September 24 to November 16. Activity will be on the HF bands. QSL to home call.

ALGERIA, 7X. Members of the Mediterranean Sea Coast East group are QRV as 7T9A/p from Srigina Island, IOTA AF-104, until September 21. They will also be active from its Lighthouse, ARLHS ALG-023. Activity is on all bands and modes. QSL via bureau.

TONGA, A3. Masa, JA0RQV is QRV as A35JP/H from Haapa, IOTA OC-169. His length of stay is unknown. Activity is on 80 to 6 meters using CW and SSB. QSL to home call.

OMAN, A4. A group of operators from the Omani Amateur Radio Society are QRV as A43MI from Masirah Island, IOTA AS-014, until September 24. Activity is on the HF bands using CW, SSB and various digital modes. QSL via A47RS.

NAURU, C2. Yuki, JH1NBN is QRV as C21BN until September 26. Activity is on the HF bands using SSB during his free time. QSL

direct to home call.

REPUBLIC OF KOREA, HL. Station HL05GDB is QRV during the 5th Gwangju Design Biennale until November 3. Activity is on 80 to 6 meters using all modes. QSL via HL4CEL.

PANAMA, HP. Special event station HP500OP is QRV until September 30 to commemorates the year 1513 when the Spaniard Vasco Nunez de Balboa and others became the first Europeans to cross Panama and discover the Pacific coast. QSL direct via HP1RCP.

ITALY, I. Members of the ARI's La Spezia section will be QRV as IP1T from Tino Island, IOTA EU-083, on September 21 and 22. Activity will be on the HF bands, including 70 MHz and 2 meters conditions permitting. QSL via IZ5JLF.

SVALBARD, JW. Rene, DL2JRM and Netti, DO6XX are QRV as JW/home calls until September 23. Activity is on the HF bands using CW, SSB and RTTY. This includes being active in the Scandinavian Activity CW contest. QSL to home calls.

BULGARIA, LZ. Special event station LZ2013HST will be QRV from September 22 to 26 as part of the World High Speed Telegraphy Championship in Borovets. QSL via LZ1BJ.

MARKET REEF, OJ0. Pasi, OH3WS will be QRV as OJ0W from September 21 to 29 while on work assignment. Activity will be in his spare time on 40 to 10 meters using CW. This includes being an entry in the Scandinavian Activity CW contest. QSL to home call.

CONGO (REPUBLIC OF), TN. Operators PA3A, PD1AEG, PA8AD and PA8AN will be QRV as TN2MS from September 22 to 27 while part of the 4th DAGOE Mercy Ships Radio DX-Pedition. QSL via PA3AWW.

LORD HOWE ISLAND, VK9L. Tomas, VK2CCC will be QRV as VK9LL from September 22 to 29. Activity will be holiday style primarily on 160 and 80 meters and possibly on the higher bands as well. QSL to home call.

CAMBODIA, XU. Alex, M6CFW plans to be QRV as XU7AEU with his new call from September 24 to 28. Activity will be on 20 and 10 meters, and possibly other bands as well, using PSK31/63 and other modes, depending on available time. QSL to home call.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The ARRL 10 GHz and Up Contest, NCCC RTTY Sprint Ladder, NCCC Sprint, AGB NEMIGA Contest, SARL VHF/UHF Analogue/Digital Contest, Scandinavian Activity CW Contest, South Carolina QSO Party, QRP Afield, Feld Hell Sprint, Washington State Salmon Run, UBA ON 6-Meter Contest and the BARTG Sprint 75 will certainly keep contesters busy this upcoming weekend. The 144 MHz Fall Sprint is scheduled for September 23. The SKCC CW Sprint and CWops Mini-CWT Test are scheduled for September 25. Please see September QST, page 79, and the ARRL and WA7BNM contest web sites

for details.
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21653. Report SIDC Ursigram

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#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
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SIDC URSIGRAM 30920
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 20 Sep 2013, 1209UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 20 Sep 2013 until 22 Sep 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Active conditions expected (A>=20 or K=4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 20 Sep 2013 10CM FLUX: 109 / AP: 010
PREDICTIONS FOR 21 Sep 2013 10CM FLUX: 113 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 22 Sep 2013 10CM FLUX: 115 / AP: 014
COMMENT: There are currently nine numbered sunspot groups on the solar disc, and
three of them have beta configuration of the photospheric magnetic field.
Three low C-class level flares were reported during last 24 hours and all
originated from the same NOAA AR 1850, which just turned from behind the
east solar limb. We expect more flaring activity at the C-class level. The
M-class flares are possible but not very probable. The solar wind speed is
about 480 km/s and slowly decreasing, and the interplanetary magnetic field
magnitude is stable amounting about 3 nT. The geomagnetic conditions are at
the moment quiet. We expect quiet to active geomagnetic conditions in the
following 48 hours due to the arrival of a fast flow (in the morning of
September 22), associated with the low-latitude coronal hole in the
northern hemisphere.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 062, BASED ON 12 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 19 Sep 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 094
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 108
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 019
AK WINGST : 012
ESTIMATED AP : 013
ESTIMATED ISN : 044, BASED ON 19 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
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21654. ARLP038 Propagation de K7RA

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Topic: 6246 Message: 21654

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ARLP038 Propagation de K7RA

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QST de W1AW
Propagation Forecast Bulletin 38 ARLP038
>From Tad Cook, K7RA
Seattle, WA September 20, 2013
To all radio amateurs

SB PROP ARL ARLP038
ARLP038 Propagation de K7RA

Solar activity continues to be weak, although there was an uptick on September 18-19 when solar flux rose to 104.1, then 107.9. September 18 was the first day with solar flux above 100 since September 6. Average daily sunspot number for the reporting week (September 12-18) rose to 42.3, up from 37.7 for the previous seven days. The daily sunspot number on September 18-19 rose from 59 to 85.

Average daily solar flux dipped slightly, from 98.2 to 95.3 over the same seven day period. Average daily planetary A index and mid-latitude A index were both 6.3.

For the near term, solar flux is predicted at 110 on September 20-22, 105 on September 23-24, 100 on September 25-30, 95 on October 1-13, and 100 on October 14-27. Over the past few days all of the short term predictions for solar flux have been adjusted downward.

Predicted planetary A index is 8 on September 20, 5 on September 21-22, 8 on September 23-24, 5 on September 25-26, 8 on September 27, 12 on September 28, 5 on September 29 through October 9, then 10, 8, 5, 15, 10 and 8 on October 10-15, followed by 5 on October 16-18.

OK1HH sent us another geomagnetic forecast, and he thinks the geomagnetic field will be quiet to unsettled on September 20-21, mostly quiet September 22, quiet to unsettled on September 23, quiet on September 24-25, mostly quiet September 26, active to disturbed September 27, quiet to active September 28, mostly quiet September 29, quiet on September 30, quiet to active October 1, quiet on October 2-5, quiet to unsettled October 6-7, mostly quiet October 8, and active to disturbed October 9.

OK1HH also says a growing solar wind may cause "remarkable changes" in the magnetosphere and ionosphere on September 20-21, and on September 24.

The Autumnal Equinox is just a couple of days away. Fall officially begins in the Northern Hemisphere on Sunday, September 22 at 2044 UTC.

Check out this science blog, with observation about the current weak cycle at, http://www.science20.com/news_articles/solar_activity_smallest_sunspot_cycle_1906-120785.

The following interesting article has a lot of good information, surprising (to me) for an article from a financial and markets analyst who is not a science reporter.

The only minor quibble I have is with his apparent confusion between number of sunspots and sunspot number, which are very different, but otherwise this article is quite a good effort:

http://www.trust.org/item/20130918115439-cn7ub/?source=hpbreaking

Howard Lester, N7SO sent this article from Sky & Telescope.

http://www.skyandtelescope.com/community/skyblog/newsblog/Glimpse-of-Suns-Interior-Befuddles-Theorists-223291961.html.

Jon Jones, N0JK commented on N8II's recent report, and says that 10 meters has been good in Kansas as well, with F0/KH0PR on Disappointment Island worked on September 11 at 1955 UTC from his mobile using a modified CB mag mount on the roof.

Roland Anders, K3RA also commented on N8II's experience, "Jeff's excellent report about 12 meters prompts me to pass along that there was some 12 meter excitement in Maryland on Sept 10 around noon. I worked 9M6XRO at 1538Z on CW, and E20WKA on SSB at 1603Z. VOACAP modeling shows that possibility. European stations were coming through at the same time."

Larry Godek, W0OGH sent these links for checking sunrise/sunset times around the world: http://www.gaisma.com/en/ and http://www.gaisma.com/en/dir/us-country.html .

If you would like to make a comment or have a tip for our readers, email the author at, k7ra@....

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service web page at, http://arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals. For an explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin, see http://arrl.org/the-sun-the-earth-the-ionosphere. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at http://arrl.org/w1aw-bulletins-archive-propagation. More good information and tutorials on propagation are at http://k9la.us/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://arrl.org/propagation.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of ARRL bulletins are at http://arrl.org/bulletins.

Sunspot numbers for September 12 through 18 were 58, 40, 24, 12, 23, 80, and 59, with a mean of 42.3. 10.7 cm flux was 92.9, 91.6, 92.5, 92.8, 94.5, 98.7, and 104.1, with a mean of 95.3. Estimated planetary A indices were 7, 9, 6, 2, 5, 8, and 7, with a mean of 6.3. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 5, 10, 6, 3, 6, 8, and 6, with a mean of 6.3.
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21655. 425 DX Calendar - #1168

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21656. 425 DX News - #1168

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** DX INFORMATION ****
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3D2_rot- Target frequencies for the upcoming expedition to Rotuma
(http://3d2gc.com) by 3D2RA, 3D2GC/p and 3D2DD/p (27 September to
11 October) are:
CW 1822 3510 7007 10104 14010 18070 21010 24892 28010 50100
SSB 1838 3788 7088 - 14188 18148 21288 24948 28488 50118
RTTY 1838 3588 7038 10138 14088 18108 21088 24918 28088 50200
PSK31 1838 3578 7038 10138 14078 18108 21078 24918 28078
SSTV - 3728 7038 - 14238 - 21338 - 28688
QSL 3D2RA via LZ2HM, QSL 3D2GC/p via LZ1GC, QSL 3D2DD/p direct to
home call.
9A - I3JRF, I3VJW, IK3ESB, IK3JBP, IW3ICK and IW3ILP will be active as
9A/IQ3VO from Veli Rat lighthouse on Dugi Otok (EU-170) from 28
September to 1 October. They will be QRV on the HF bands and 6
metres on sked. QSL via IQ3VO.
5X - Once again Nick, G3RWF will be active in his spare time as 5X1NH
from Uganda from 24 September until 16 November. He prefers CW,
with some activity on SSB and digital modes. QSL via home call,
direct and bureau, and LoTW. [TNX G3RWF]
9X - Nick, G3RWF will be active again as 9X0NH from Rwanda from 19
November for about ten days. Joining Nick will be Alan, G3XAQ, who
will be active as 9X0XA. They will participate in the CQ World
Wide DX CW Contest as SOSB entrants. QSL 9X0NH via G3RWF, QSL
9X0XA via G3SWH. [TNX G3RWF and NG3K]
DL - Look for DB5BZ, DJ4RU, DK7LV, DL2VFR, DL4BBH and DL7UXG to be
active as DM50IOTA from Hiddensee Island (EU-057) from 28
September to 4 October. They will operate CW, SSB and RTTY on all
bands. QSL via bureau or direct via DL2VFR. [TNX rsgbiota.org (http://rsgbiota.org)]
EI - A large team from England and Ireland will be active as EJ0M from
Aran Island (EU-121) from 28 September to 5 October. QSL via Club
Logs' OQRS, LoTW or via the Irish QSL bureau to EJ0M. [TNX
rsgbiota.org (http://rsgbiota.org)]
FO/A - Grant, KZ1W and Rob, N7QT will be active as TX5D from Raivavae
Island (OC-114), Austral Islands on 2-14 October. They will be QRV
on 80-10 metres CW, SSB, RTTY or PSK. They hope to be able to
upload their log to Club Log on a daily basis. QSL via operator's
instructions. [TNX KD7H]

FO/A - A second operation from Raivavae Island (OC-114), Austral Islands is planned to take place from 30 October to 6 November. The operators will be Dave, K3EL and Don, VE7DS and they will use TX5RV on 80-10 metres CW, with some SSB and RTTY "from time to time". They will run "two medium-power stations with vertical antennas on the beach". QSL via M0URX, direct or bureau (OQRS preferred), and LoTW. Further information, including target frequencies chosen to minimize interference with concurrent operations, at http://k3el.wordpress.com/dx/ raivavae-austral-islands/ (http://k3el.wordpress.com/dx/raivavae-austral-islands/)
[TNX NG3K]
HK - Once again Lothar, DK8LRF will be active as HK3JCL from Colombia between 21 September to 23 November. He will operate SSB mainly on 40 and 20 metres. QSL via home call, bureau preferred. [TNX DXNL]
I - Aldo, IK2ANI will be active holiday style as IH9/IK2ANI from Pantelleria (AF-018) from 27 September to 1 October. He will operate CW, SSB and RTTY on 30-6 metres with 100 watts to a vertical antenna. [TNX IK2ANI]
JW - Karl, LA8DW will again be active as JW8DW from Longyearbyen, Spitsbergen (EU-026) from 25 September to 2 October. Activity will probably be on 80-10 metres CW and SSB. QSL via home call, direct or bureau, and LoTW; logsearch on http://la8dw.com/
OZ - Mike, DG5LAC will be active as OU1RAEM from Romo Island (EU-125) from 28 September to 5 October. He will be QRV on 80-10 metres SSB. QSL via DF5LW, direct or bureau. [TNX rsgbiota.org (http://rsgbiota.org)]
OZ - Tom, DL4VM will be active as OZ/DL4VM from Vendsyssel-Thy (EU-171) from 29 September to 19 October. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX rsgbiota.org (http://rsgbiota.org)]
PJ2 - Look for PJ2/K5JP, PJ2/NT5V and PJ2/W5BOS to be active from the Curacao PJ2T super station on 8-15 October. They will operate CW and SSB on all bands, with a focus on 30, 17 and 12 metres. [TNX K5JP]
PJ4 - Nigel, G3TXF will be active as PJ4/G3TXF from Bonaire (SA-006) on 21-29 September, for the Scandinavia Activity Contest CW (21-22 September) and the CQ WW RTTY Contest (28-29 September). During the intervening week there will also be some CW activity across the HF bands. QSL via home call. Logsearch and OQRS on Club Log.
S7 - Andrea, IZ1MHY will be active holiday style as S79MHY from Praslin Island (AF-024), Seychelles on 9-16 October. He will operate SSB, digital modes and CW. QSL via home call. [TNX IZ1MHY]
VP9 - George K3GP, Jamie WW3S and Ray ND8L will be active as VP9/K3GP, VP9/WW3S and VP9/ND8L from Bermuda (NA-005) on 26-30 September. QSL via home calls. They will participate in the CQ WW RTTY Contest as VP9I (QSL via WW3S). [TNX DX World]
W - The West Chester Amateur Radio Association will be active as WC8VOA on 21 September to commerate the initialization of the Bethany Voice of America transmission site (23 September 1944). Two stations will operate SSB and CW from 16 UTC for eight hours. QSL direct or bureau.

HIMALAYAN TRIP ---> Pekka, OH2YY will operate SSB as 9N2YY (requested call, to be confirmed upon arrival) from Nepal on 2-5 October, and as A52YY from Bhutan on 6-10 October. His Nepalese license covers 17, 15, 12 and 10 metres while his Bhutanese is for all bands. He plans to have antennas for 40-10m, with "a better antenna on 21 MHz in order to serve North American stations during the short openings that are predicted around midnight for West Coast and noon time for East". Operating bands will also depend on local conditions, as he will be travelling and visiting different places in both countries. QSL via home call, direct or bureau, and LoTW. [TNX OH2YY]

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** GOOD TO KNOW ... ****
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WF5E DX QSL SERVICE ---> The DX QSL Service (www.qsl.net/wf5e/ (http://www.qsl.net/wf5e/)), started by W3KT and continued by N7RO, has been run by Les Bannon, WF5E since August 1994. Owing to health problems, time has now come for Les to retire: "I will accept QSLs to forward until the end of October", he says, "Any that come in after that for requests I made, will be forwarded OK to my customers". [TNX QRZ-DX]

IMW 2014 ---> The International Museums Weekend (IMW) has been a very popular annual special event for well over a decade now. The majority of those taking part in the event have been in the United Kingdom, but for the 2014 IMW, the members of the IMW administration team are hoping to make the event a truly in international one, with great deal more participation from beyond the UK's borders. The 2014 IMW will take place on the two weekends of the 14-15 and 21-22 June. Details about the event and how to register to take part can be found at http://www.ukradioamateur.co. uk/imw/ (http://www.ukradioamateur.co.uk/imw/) or from Nigel Auckland, M0NAF (nigel[@]oldfartsonbikes.com (http://oldfartsonbikes.com)) [TNX M0HEM]

INDEXA ---> The International DX Association's (www.indexa.org (http://www.indexa.org)) newly elected/confirmed Officers & Directors are: Gary Dixon K4MQG (President), John Scott K8YC (Vice President) and Dick Williams W3OA (Secretary-Treasurer); Bob Allphin K4UEE, Ralph Fedor K0IR, Mary Hobart K1MMH, Bill Jennings W4UNP, Franz Langner DJ9ZB, Gregg Marco W6IZT, Jerry Rosalius WB9Z and Bob Schenck N2OO (Directors). [TNX W3OA]

QSL 3B8/HB9ARY ---> The new QSL route (for either past and future operations) is via NI5DX. Cards sent to HB9ARY via the Swiss bureau will be accepted until the end of 2013.

QSL TA4/UA9CDC ---> Phil, G3SWH has been appointed as QSL manager for TA4/UA9CDC with immediate effect. QSl cards are only available direct (OQRS on www.g3swh.org.uk (http://www.g3swh.org.uk)), as Igor is not an RSGB member. Phil says he will try to upload the log to LoTW in due course. [TNX G3SWH]

QSL XR5L ---> IOTA group SA-070 was activated for the last time by XR5L back in 2009. Those who still need a QSL card may now send their request to XQ7UP (team member of that expedition). QSL direct or through the OQRS provided by Club Log.

ROTA ---> Coordinated by the Bishop Auckland Radio Amateurs Club, this year the Railways On The Air (ROTA) weekend will take place on 21-22 September. Quite a number of GB special event stations are expected to participate. Details can be found at http://rota.barac.org.uk/

UCI ROAD WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS ---> The cities of Firenze, Lucca, Pistoia, Montecatini Terme and Fiesole will host the UCI Road Cycling World Championships on 22-29 September. The Tuscany Regional Committee of ARI sponsors an award for contacting amateur radio stations in Tuscany (I5, IK5, IZ5, IQ5, IA5) during that time frame. Details can be found at www.ari-crt.it (http://www.ari-crt.it) [TNX IZ5JLW]

SILENT KEYS ---> Wayne Green, W2NSD passed away on 13 September at 91 years of age. He was the founder of "73 Amateur Radio Today" and several other magazines. "A well-known and often outspoken figure", he "often was ahead of the curve in promoting such technologies as single-sideband phone, solid-state, FM, and the marriage of computers and ham radio" (ARRL). The entire collection of "73" (from 1960 to 2003) can be found at http://archive.org (search for 73-magazine).
Other recently reported Silent Keys include James Stewart (5Z4FM/G3GLE), Claudio Granja Karam (PY5PDC) and Aleksandr Savelyev, 5B8AD (C4N, ex RA6LUX), who died of a stroke on 17 September. He was only 45 years old.

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******* QSL ROUTES *******
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CALL MANAGER CALL MANAGER CALL MANAGER
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3B8/HB9ARY NI5DX ET3AA N2OO PJ2P DL8OBQ
3B8CW NI5DX EW6GF DL8KAC PJ4M PH2M
3D2GC LZ1GC EX8OF RW6HS PW7T PT7WA
3W3B E21EIC FG4NO F4AVX R100RQA RN1ON
3Z1JESIEN SQ1NXN FP5BZ F5TJP R70SM RA3LV
3Z3JESIEN SP3SBY FY/OM6NM OM2FY R70SO RA3LV
3Z3P SQ9PPO GB5FY M1EDF SN0HOKA SP5KVW
4J9Y DC9RI GB70RAF M0XSD SN1JESIEN SQ1KSL
4L0G EA7FTR GM5X N3SL SN2013LRR SP3YAC
4L1HD DL8KAC GW3KHZ/p G3KHZ SN3JESIEN SP3WVL
4L9QQ UR9QQ GW8DX G8DX SP0WFAD SQ9DEN
4S7BRG LZ3HI GZ5Y GM4SSA SV130PAP SV2HTI
4S7JHG DL3JH H44J JA0AOA T6MH W2GR

4S7YSG JA2SWH HA21WFF HA6PJ T6T RW6HS
4X0T 4Z5FI HC1AJQ EA7FTR T88TV HA3JB
5B4AIF EB7DX HF1939BPM SP5PMD T88ZD JH1QJU
5B4AJC UA3DX HF1JESIEN SQ1KSM TA4/UA9CDC G3SWH
5B4AKM 5B4MF HF3JESIEN SP3GVX TC2C TA1HZ
5K3RF EA3DUF HF790NYSA SP6PNZ TJ3AY F5LGE
5Q1A OZ5ESB HK1MW N2OO TM1MAD F5KLJ
5Q7Y DL8AW HL05GDB HL4CEL TM26NN F5KTU
5R8UO DF8UO HP0INT/# F4BKV [d] TM35CDXC F5CWU
6K0HG DS2CYI HP0INT/# F5CWU [b] TM49PB F5KAY
7X5KBS EA7FTR HP500OP HP1RCP TM50ENSO F5LGQ
8N6MMTTY JS6PSH HR2WW KD4POJ TM60IPA F6FLO
8Q7AM IW0HBY II0DMR IZ0UIN TM71BPIA F6KMF
8Q7CF DL2MDU II0IAFM IZ0EUX TM8WAL F5JER
9A8OK OK1HWS II0IGZF IZ0FVD TM90KOB F5KOB
9H3TR DL1AY II1IARU IK1VDQ V26K AA3B
9M2PJU K2AU II8OAMM HB9CQL [b] V31ZM M0OXO
9M6XRO M0URX II8OAMM IQ8GZ [d] V55V DJ8VC
9V1PW JH4PHW II9IAGM IT9YEM V6G PG5M
9X0ZM JO1CRA IR9W IW0HBY VU2RMS RW6HS
A35JP JA0RQV J44LH SV4FFL W2WTC K2HJB
A43MI A47RS K2IO/KH2 JA2JWH XW0YJY E21EIC
A61ZX IZ8CLM K4S W4BTI XZ1Z JH1AJT
A92IO EI3IO KH2/N2NL W2YC YB0AI/9 YB0AI
BW2/JP1RIW BM2JCC KL7RRC/p N7RO YB0MZI RW6HS
C21BN JH1NBN LZ2013HST LZ1BJ YB9/DJ7XJ OZ7XJ
C5YK ON6EG LZ20TRC LZ1YE YB9GV/p EA7FTR
CE3EEA EA5GL LZ49FJ LZ1FJ YB9KA/p EA7FTR
CO2IR EB7DX MC0SHL M0URX YD1NAA/5 W2FB
CO2WL HA3JB OA6Q OE3NHW YD9RQX/p W2FB
CO5FB EA7FTR OD5ZZ NI5DX YF1AR/9 N2OO
CO6LC EA5GL OG3077F OH3JF YJ0RK NR6M
CO6LE EA5GL OJ0W OH3WS YL110GAB YL3GV
CR3L DJ6QT ON4USA ON4GDV YN2PX AI5P
CR5150NM CS5NRA OR1Z ON6IX YP10KQT YO2KQT
D3AA UA1QV OU1RAEM DF5LW Z68BH OH2BH
DU1WGA NR6M OU2DX PA0ABM Z81R OH2BH
EG8BFS EA8URV OV2T PA0ABM ZG2FX G3RFX
EH2CDP EA2TW OZ0AV DL8AAV ZG2JK ZB2JK
EH5APP EB5GDM PA125DHP PC2F ZL4IR W8WC
EM0I UT2IZ PA60IPA PA9LUC ZS8Z ZS1HF
ER0VB/p ER1KAA PD70AW PD2RKG ZV1WSA PU1VFC

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21657. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-09-21 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21657

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:Issued: 2013 Sep 21 1358 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30921
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 21 Sep 2013, 1309UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 21 Sep 2013 until 23 Sep 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Active conditions expected (A>=20 or K=4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 21 Sep 2013 10CM FLUX: 108 / AP: 008
PREDICTIONS FOR 22 Sep 2013 10CM FLUX: 110 / AP: 015
PREDICTIONS FOR 23 Sep 2013 10CM FLUX: 115 / AP: 011
COMMENT: Solar activity is still low with the flaring at the C-class level. The
strongest flare reported was C3.8 flare, peaking at 12:03 UT on September
20. All the C-class flares, in last 48 hours originated from the same NOAA
AR 1850 which still has potential to produce C-class, and possibly M-class
flares. Earth is inside the slow solar wind with the speed of about 410
km/s.The interplanetary magnetic field magnitude is stable having value of
about 5 nT. The geomagnetic conditions are at the moment quiet. We expect
quiet to active geomagnetic conditions in the following 48 hours due to the
arrival of a fast flow (in the morning of September 22), associated with
the low-latitude coronal hole in the northern hemisphere. The CME
associated with the prominence eruption from September 19 is expected to
arrive at the Earth on September 23.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 053, BASED ON 08 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 20 Sep 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 109
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 013
AK WINGST : 010
ESTIMATED AP : 008
ESTIMATED ISN : 061, BASED ON 19 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21658. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-09-22 14:01:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21658

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:Issued: 2013 Sep 22 1315 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30922
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 22 Sep 2013, 1309UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 22 Sep 2013 until 24 Sep 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Quiet conditions (<50% probability of C-class flares)
GEOMAGNETISM : Active conditions expected (A>=20 or K=4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 22 Sep 2013 10CM FLUX: 107 / AP: 011
PREDICTIONS FOR 23 Sep 2013 10CM FLUX: 107 / AP: 014
PREDICTIONS FOR 24 Sep 2013 10CM FLUX: 105 / AP: 007
COMMENT: Solar activity decreased even more, there was not C-class flares reported
during last 24 hours. For out of nine numbered sunspot groups on the solar
disc have beta configuration of its photospehric magnetic field, therefore
the C-class flares are still possible. The solar wind speed is about 420
km/s, and the interplanetary magnetic field magnitude is about 3 nT. The
geomagnetic conditions are at the moment quiet. We expect quiet to possibly
active geomagnetic conditions in the following 48 hours due to the arrival
of a fast flow (associated with the low-latitude coronal hole in the
northern hemisphere) and the CME associated with the prominence eruption
from September 19.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 050, BASED ON 05 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 21 Sep 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 110
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : ///
AK WINGST : 011
ESTIMATED AP : 010
ESTIMATED ISN : 053, BASED ON 15 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21659. XZ 10M

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-09-22 14:23:40 UTC
From: Brian Alsop
Topic: 21659 Message: 21659

XZ1Z was on 10M yesterday about 1300Z.

Was it a pirate?

Anybody show up in ClubLog for this? Logs for yesterday appear to have
been uploaded there.

73 de Brian/K3KO

No virus found in this message.
Checked by AVG - www.avg.com
Version: 2012.0.2242 / Virus Database: 3222/6188 - Release Date: 09/21/13

21660. A35JP/H - How do I log it?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-09-22 15:29:35 UTC
From: Rick W
Topic: 21660 Message: 21660

Masa, JA0RQV, is in Tonga signing as A35JP/H. The "/H" designation is for the island he's on - it starts with an "H". He also gives the IOTA number. My logging software, understandably, has no idea what the "/H" is all about. So I've logged it as A35JP.

My problem is what happens when Masa uploads his logs to LoTW as A35JP/H. I would anticipate that the "/H" is not a normal callsign (it probably contravenes several ADIF rules) but will the "/H" be accepted, stripped or rejected by LoTW? If the op successfully loads as A35JY/H then my QSOs will not match. Should I change my logged calls to include the "/H" or just ignore it.

Of course to be really safe, I could duplicate the call in my logbook and add the "/H" and enter a time 2 minutes later. But that seems like a little overkill.

Thoughts appreciated. Thanks.

73,
Rick
VE7TK

Website: http://www.ve7tk.com

21661. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1129

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-09-22 21:05:17 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 21661 Message: 21661

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***** SPECIAL NOTE FROM EDITOR (Just A Reminder/Update): "Things seem to be back to normal. I was experiencing some E-mail problems over the last few weeks, especially with <kb8nw@arrl.net> address. The <arrl.net> address has been very erratic (bounces and delays), so only use as a last resort. I have added a new E-mail address <kb8nw@...> to be used before the <arrl.net> address, if the <kb8nw@...> address does not work. I hope this will help the problem of mail getting to me.... 73 de Tedd KB8NW"

DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 15th-September, through Sunday, 22nd-September there were 222 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3B9, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5A, 5B, 5R, 5T, 5W, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7X, 8P, 8Q, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9V, 9X, 9Y, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C2, C3, C6, CE, CE0Y, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E6, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FH, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HC8, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HZ, I, IS, J2, J6, J7, J8, JA, JT, JW, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ7, PY, PZ, S2, S5, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T5, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TN, TR, TU, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK9N, VP2E, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XT, XW, XX9, XZ, YA, YB, YI, YJ, YK, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z3, Z8, ZA, ZB, ZD7, ZD8, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS, ZS8

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

3W2/XV4, VIETNAM (IOTA Op). Mike, N0ODK, states that he will once again be active from Ho Chi Minh City, but this time as 3W2DK (not 3W6DK - Vietnam has changed their districts) between October 17-24th. He will then travel to Phu Quoc Island (AS-128) and be active as XV4MN between October 24-29th. His activity will be on 20/17/15/10 meters from both locations. Also, look for him to be in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th) as a Single-Op/Low-Power entry. After his Phu Quoc Island operation, he will return to Ho Chi Minh City and will be active until November 2nd. Mike mentions that during his operations he will be asking for stand-bys for NA Zeros often to get into the midwest. QSL via N0ODK, direct, by the Bureau or LoTW. He states on QRZ.com, "If you have different contacts with me as 3W6DK, 3W2DK, XV4MN, or N0ODK, please QSL in one package to save you time and money and I can QSL all in one time. I collect QSL cards so if we QSL, please QSL even if you do not need my QSL card. I will QSL if in logbook."

5P14, DENMARK (Special Event). Members of the Danish Radio Amateurs will activate the special event callsign 5P14EHC between January 1-31st, 2014. Activity is to celebrate Denmark hosting the "European Handball Championship for Men" event between January 12-26th. Look for activity to be on all bands including the 30/17/12 meter bands, with operations possibly on all modes, except cross-mode, cross-band contacts and contacts via repeater and echo-link. All QSOs will be verified via LoTW and eQSL.cc. Paper-QSL may be requested via <www.clublog.org/logsearch/5p14ehc>. Please click on "Request QSL card" after you have searched their log. PLEASE DO NOT SEND YOUR QSL CARD TO THEM VIA THE BUREAU. Wrong/missing QSOs can be reported to OZ0J at <qsl@5p14ehc.dk>. For direct QSLs, please send them to OZ0J with a S.A.E. with 1 IRC or 3 USDs to cover return postage. Also, you may instead save your envelope by using PayPal. For more details, see <www.5p14ehc.dk>. When using IRCs, they must be the new type with the "Water of Life" on it and valid until December 31st, 2017. QSL cards with insufficient payment will be returned via BUREAU. All direct QSL cards will be sent approx. March 1st, 2014. Please expect up to 14 days for delivery with the postal service. There are special awards available (Gold/Silver/Bronze). For details, see:
http://www.oz5md.dk/5p14ehc/viewpage.php?page_id=2
The current list of operators of 5P14ENC are Joergen/OZ0J, Henning/OZ1BII, Kjeld/OZ1CCM, Preben/OZ1HHH, Palle/OZ2PBS, Poul/OZ2PJ, Jesper/OZ3AEV, Carsten/OZ4CG, Karsten/OZ4FF and Gorm/OZ6GH.

A5, BHUTAN. Guenter, DK4YB, will be active as A52YB from Bhutan between October 5-20th. Activity will be on 20 and 15 meters using CW, SSB and PSK31. He will operate mobile on the 9th, 13th and 16th. Suggested frequencies are: CW - 14060 and 21055 kHz, SSB - 14195-14285 and 21285 kHz and PSK31 - 14070 kHz. Equipment will be a KX3 with 5 watts, HCT, HF-P1 Vertical and Longwire. QSL via his home callsign, by the Bureau or direct.

A7, QATAR. Members of the Qatar Amateur Radio Society (A71A) calling themselves the "A73A Contest Team" will be active during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th) as a Multi-Op/Multi-Transmitter entry. QSL via A71A.

AFRICAN TOUR (Reminder). Nick, G3RWF, will once again be active as 5X1NH from the University of the Mountains of the Moon (MMU) in Fort Portal, Western Uganda and (occasionally) the capital, Kampala, between September 24th and November 16th. He is expected to join/meet with Alan, G3XAQ/5X1XA, later and both operators will travel to Rwanda to be active as 9X0NH between November 19-29th. The duo plan to participate in the CQ WW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) from Rwanda. QSL 5X1NH and 9X0NH via G3RWF. QSL 5X1XA via G3SWH.

AH2, GUAM. Yuji, JF2WGN, will be active as AH2EA from Guam (OC-026) between October 17-21st. Activity will be on the HF bands. QSL via his home callsign only (not Guam). All QSLs will be sent via the Bureau, if you want a QSL direct do not send your card until after January 2014.

ASIAN TOUR (Update). Pekka, OH2YY, will activate Nepal (9N) between October 2-5th. He has applied for the callsign 9N2YY, but the final confirmation will take place upon arrival in Kathmandu. After Nepal, between October 6-10th, Pekka will be visiting the Kingdom of Bhutan (A5). He has been assigned a Bhutanese license with a callsign A52YY. Both in Nepal and Bhutan, Pekka will be traveling mainly during the daytime hours, but during his evenings and nights, he will be active on 40-10 meters using SSB. He cannot take any amplifier or yagis with him, so the operations will be basically with a 100w transceiver and dipoles. His license in Nepal will cover bands 17-10 meters, but his Bhutanese license allows all HF bands. Pekka's plan is to have antennas for 40-10 meters, and he will try to have two or three antennas up simultaneously. He states, "The propagation forecasts are not very good for North and Central America, and therefore, he will try to have a bit better antenna on 10 meters. Pekka will do his best to utilize the short openings that are predicted around midnight UTC for the West Coast and noon time for East. QSL via OH2YY, by the SRAL Bureau or direct to: Pekka Ahlqvist, Vapaalanpolku 8B, 01650 Vantaa, Finland. Also, he will use LoTW.

BY0, CHINA. Operators Terry/BA7NQ, Vange/BA7IO, Rumei/BD7LMD, Yang/BD7IXG, Xu/BD0AS, BD0APD, Lin/BI7IOB and Wong/VR2KW will be active as BY0AA during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th) as a Multi-2 entry. QSL via BA4EG. Activity will begin on October 24th, with a focus on the low band only before contest.

C6, BAHAMAS. George, KQ8Z/GM0IIO, will once again be active as C6AZZ from Grand Bahama Island (NA-080, WLOTA 0527, WW Loc. FL06UO). This time it will be during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th) and the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band(15m) [May switch to 20m depending on band conditions]/Low-Power/Unassisted entries. He usually will be on other bands for a few days before and after the contests. If like last time, activity will be focused on 6 meters (CW, SSB, FM) if there are any band openings, otherwise on 80-10 meters,

mainly CW with some SSB using his Icom 756 Pro3. George will use a 80m OCFD antenna at 40 feet. The 20m antenna will be a full sized 20m delta loop right on the beach vertically polarized with the apex at 40 feet. QSL via KQ8Z.

ED8, CANARY ISLANDS. Jaime, WP3A, will be active as ED8P from Santa Cruz de Tenerife (AF-004, DIE S-012, WLOTA 1276, EAA TF) during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (15m)/Low-Power/ Assisted entry. QSL via NP3O.

HI, DOMINICAN REPUBLIC. Hiro, JA6WFM, will once again be active from here this time as HI3/NP3J during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (10m)/Low-Power entry. QSL via EA5GL, LoTW or eQSL.

HK, COLUMBIA. Lothar, DK8LRF, will once again return to Columbia and be active as HK3JCL between September 21st and November 23rd. Activity will mostly be on 20 and 40 meters using SSB. To see pictures from his last trip, see QRZ.com. QSL via his home callsign by the Bureau.

IOTA NEWS.....
EU-017. Members of the Calabria DX Team will be active as ID9Y from Salina Island (ARLHS ITA-020 and ITA-250, IIA ME-015, MIA MI-083) between October 3-6th. Operators mentioned are Alex/ IK8YFU, Domenico/IW8RAO, Sal/IZ8CZR, Maurizio/IZ8JSJA and Nicola/IZ8SKO. QSL via IK8YFI direct. QSL via the Bureau to HB9FHZ. Also, QSL via LoTW or eQSL. Visit their Web page at: http://www.calabriadxteam.it/salina

EU-129. By the time you read this, Mike, DO4ABA, will be active as DO4ABA/p from Usedom Island (DID O-013, WLOTA 1640) until September 26th. Activity will be on 20/15/10 meters, possibly on 80 meters using SSB, PSK31/63 and RTTY. Suggested operating times are during the evenings between 0400z and 1100z. Mike mentions to look at his Web site for updates on frequencies and times. He also states that this is his first IOTA operation. QSL by the DARC Bureau or eQSL. His Web site is: http://www.do4aba.de

OC-016. Jeff, K0UU, will be active as 3D2FJ from Beqa Island between March 23-31st, 2014. Activity will be holiday style on 80-10 meters CW only. QSL via K0UU, by LoTW (preferred) or direct.

JD1, MINAMI TORISHIMA (Update). If you missed Take, JG8NQJ, as as JG8NQJ/JD1 from Marcus Island in the Minami Torishima (OC-073, JCG 10007) group, you will have another chance sometime in the middle of December. He is usually there to work on the island's weather station. Activity will be limited to his spare time. He will be mainly on 17 meters but also on 15/12/10 meters CW. QSL via his home callsign, by the Bureau or direct to JA8CJY: Susumu 'Sin' Sanada, 5-17, 5-4, Shin-Ei, Toyohira, Sapporo 004, Japan. Online log is available at: http://dx.qsl.net/cgi-bin/logform.cgi?jd1-jg8nqj

KG4, GUANTANAMO BAY. Operators Bill/W4WV and Al/W6HGF will be active as KG4WV and KG4HF, respectively, from Guantanamo Bay (NA-015) between October 11-25th. Activity will be on all bands, 160-6 meters using SSB, RTTY, PSK, and some CW. They will be on the air for the JOTA to put the local Boy Scouts on the radio. They will complete the antenna repairs from damage by hurricane Sandy and a few minor repair items to the shack. QSL via their home callsigns.

KH2/NH2, GUAM. Dave, N2NL, will once again be active as NH2T from Guam (OC-026) this time during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. In mid August, Dave moved from his former QTH in Dededo and is now living at a hilltop QTH in Asan in central Guam. He states, "I am still working on installing antennas, but am currently QRV on 40-10m." Dave is usually active (outside of contests) as KH2/N2NL and during all contests as NH2T. QSL via LoTW, by the Bureau or via W2YC for both callsigns direct. Visit his Blog at: http://www.n2nl.net

KL7, ALASKA. Operators from the "KL7 NWR Amateur Radio Club" and "Moosehorn ARC" will celebrate "National Wildlife Refuge Week" and will be active as KL7NWR on October 5th. Activity will be on 15 and 20 meters using SSB with some CW. QSL via KL2HD to: Jeff Williams KL2HD, PO Box 1268, Homer, AK 99603.

LX, LUXEMBOURG. Members of the Radio Club Leuven (RCL) will be active as LX/OR5M during the CQWW DX RTTY Contest (September 28-29th) as a Multi-Single/High-Power entry. Twelve operators will be active from a log cabin near the village of Wiltz. QSL via ON4CP. Visit the RCL Web page at: http://www.radioclubleuven.be

NH0, MARIANA ISLANDS. Operators Yutaka/JQ2GYU/WS2Y and his wife Miho/ JJ2VLY/WS2M will be active as NH0J from Tinian Island (OC-086), Northern Mariana Islands, the special commemorative Tinian station of the "J-Tinian Radio Space Club, between October 17-21st. Activity will be on 80-10 meters including the 30/17/12 meter bands, using CW, SSB and RTTY. Miho will participate in the "JARTS WW RTTY Contest" between October 19-20th. See <http://jarts.jp/rules2013.html>. QSL via JJ2VLY, direct (SAE + 2 USDs) or by the JARL Bureau. Please don't send your QSL request to Tinian Island. For more details and updates, see: http://jq2gyu.blogspot.jp

OJ0, MARKET REEF (Cancelled). Pasi, OH3WS, was expected to be on Market Reef (EU-053) as a voluntary worker and be active as OJ0W during some time during September, but had to cancel his activity. Reason was not given.

P4, ARUBA. Valery, R5GA, will once again be active as P4/R5GA from Aruba (SA-036, WLOTA 0033). Activity will be on CW mainly on 160-10 meters, especially on the 30/17/12 meters. His activity will also include the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry using the contest callsign P40F. QSL via UA3DX. QSL P4/R5GA via R5GA, direct, by the Bureau or LoTW.

PACIFIC TOUR 2013 (By YT1AD and part of the "WW DX team"). Operators Hrane/YT1AD, David/WD5COV, Wasiliy/RW4NW, Sergey/ RZ3FW and Dragos/YU1AKV will activate the following Pacific island in November this year. Their tentative schedule, activations and callsign are as follows:

November 13-15th - Hawaii (KH6); YT1AD (KH6/N9YU), WD5COV (KH6/WD5COV) and RZ3FW (KH6/N7AFW); QSL via their home callsigns.
November 16-17th - Samoa (5W); YT1AD (5W7A or 5W6A); WD5COV (5W0OV), RZ3FW (5W0FW) and RW4NW (5W0NW); QSL via their home callsigns.
November 18-19th - American Samoa (KH8); YT1AD (KH8/N9YU); WD5COV (KH8/WD5COV) and RZ3FW (KH8/N7AFW); QSL via their home callsigns.
November 20-22th and
November 29-December 4th - Fiji (3D2); YT1AD (3D2AD), WD5COV (3D2OV), RZ3FW (3D2FW) and RW4NW (3D2NW); QSL via their home callsigns.
November 22-29th - Rotuma Island (3D2/R); Callsign will be 3D2R. QSL via YT1AD. The team will be active in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) as a Multi-Single or Multi-2 with the 3D2R callsign.

Activity will be mainly CW, SSB and RTTY, on all islands, probably on all bands. ADDED NOTE: During this trip, the team will be preparing for their next DXpedition for the periods of November 2014/April 2015. Their goal and wish is Palmyra Island (KH5/P) with Kingman Reef (KH5K) or Baker & Howland Islands (KH1). More news will be forthcoming in December 2013.

PJ2, CURACAO. Operators Jeff/K5JP, Jim/NT5V and Lanny/W5BOS will activate the Caribbean Contesting Consortium's (CCC) Signal Point PJ2T Station on Curacao (SA-099, WLOTA LH-0942) between October 8-15thth. Each operator will sign PJ2/homecall. Activity will be on all bands with an emphasis on 30/17/12 meters using CW and SSB. QSL direct via their home callsigns or by the Bureau. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW when they return home.

PJ4, BONAIRE. Nigel, G3TXF, will be active as PJ4/G3TXF from Bonaire (SA-006, WLOTA 1279, WWFF PAFF-024) between September 21-29th. He plans to be in both for the Scandinavian SAC-CW Contest (September 21-22nd) and for the CQWW DX RTTY Contest (September 28-29th). For activity outside of the contest, there will be some CW operations across the HF bands. QSL via G3TXF. Logs and an OQRS QSLing will be available on ClubLog. For more details and updates, visit:
http://www.g3txf.com/dxtrip/PJ4-Sep-13/PJ4.html

PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (September 23-29th)....
Sep/23rd HN Sep/26th AN Sep/28th AN
Sep/24th AN Sep/27th HN Sep/29th AN
Sep/25th AN

SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS/INDEXES AND GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE
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NORMALITY GEOMAG K Values Alpha

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AN - Above Normal Quiet K=0-1 0-7
HN - High Normal Unsettled K=2 8-15
LN - Low Normal Active K=3 16-29
BN - Below Normal Minor Storm K=4 30-49
DIS - Disturbed Major Storm K=5 50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed Severe Storm K=6-9 100-400

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (For September 22nd)

4L/UT5EO via UT5EO FY/OK1FFU via OK1FFU PX2F via PY2PT
4L9QQ via UR9QQ GB70RAF via M0XSD R70SO via RA3LV
4S7JHG via DL3JH HB0/OE9HRV/P via OE9HRV RA/F4CYZ via F4CYZ
4S7YSG via JA2BDR HP0INT/4 via F4BKV (d) F5CWU (B) SJ2W via SM2LIY (L/d)
4X0T via 4Z5FI HP0INT/9 via F4BKV (d) F5CWU (B) SV0XCC/9 via LZ1YE
8P9LJ via G0OPA II9IACR via IT9DTU T88GJ via JL1FUQ
9M2SKK via 9M2SGN IP1T via IZ5JLF TC2C via TA1HZ
9V1PW via JH4PHW JW/DL2JRM via DL2JRM TM90KOB via F5KOB
CO0TU via CO8IR K2IO/KH2 via JA2JWH V31MA via M0OXO
DL/RA2FF via RA2FF (d) OG4X via OH1MA V5/DL2GAG via DL2GAG
DL/RW2F via UA2FM (d) OH0Z via W0MM XV5HS via EA5ZD
EA7/PE1DMH via EA7/PE1DMH ON4USA via ON4GDV YN2PX via AI5P
ER0VB via ER1KAA ON70REDSTAR via ON4OSA Z38/YU1JF via YU1JF
FK8GX via W3HNK OV0V via OZ3ABE
FO/KH0PR via JJ8DEN OZ/DL1EBR via DL1EBR
(e) eQSL only (d) direct only (B) Bureau only (L) LoTW only

NEW QSL MANAGER. Mark, K2AU, is now the QSL Manager for Piju, 9M2PJU.
NO BUREAU QSLs, ONLY LOTW OR DIRECT TO K2AU.

NEW QSL MANAGER. Phil, G3SWH, reports that effective immediately he
is now the QSL Manager for Igor, TA4/UA9CDC. He also mentions, "Please
note that as Igor is not an RSGB member, proper QSLs are only available
direct. I will try to upload the log to LoTW in due course."

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 2E0GBK, 8P6NW, 9A4WY, BA4TB, BG2AUE, CT1EGF,
DL4MN, DL8FCL, EI8JX/P, F4EPR, F6BQX, HB9DNF, LU2IP, MM3LLU, RY7A,
R9MT, SQ7LRT, VK6ANC, VP9/WA4PGM, XE2YWH, XZ1Z, YF1AR/9, YS1RS and
YV4AR

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3B8/HB9ARY, 5X1NH, HC2AO, HQ8S, KG4RX, PT0S,
T2YY, T46RRC, T47RRC, T48RRC, T6LG, T6SM, TA3J/0, TT8JT, UW3HY/1,
VK3DOG/P, VK9AA, XZ1Z and ZK2C

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 8J1ING, 8J1RL, 9U7T, J28RO, JG8NQJ/JD1,
MU/PA9M, P40X, PJ2/K9QVB and V63MP

RTTY CONTEST. Just a reminder that the CQWW DX RTTY Contest is this
coming weekend (September 28-29th). Complete details on the rules can
be found at: http://www.cqwwrtty.com/rules.htm
Important notice: All entries must be sent WITHIN FIVE (5) DAYS after

the end of the contest: no later than 2359 UTC October 4, 2013.

S7, SEYCHELLES. Andrea, IZ1MHY, will be active as S79MHY from Praslin Island (AF-024) between October 7-17th. Activity will be on 160-10 meters. His radio is a Yaesu FT857 into a multi-band vertical, dipoles for 10/15/20m and half-wave sloper for 160m. QSL via his home callsign, direct, by the Bureau or LoTW.

SILENT KEYS.....
5Z4FM - Allan, G0IAS, reports that Jim Stewart, 5Z4FM, from Nairobi, became a Silent Key (SK) on September 16th. Jim was probably the most active of the 5Z's and will be missed on the bands. His XYL is Anne, 5Z4FM. Ted, 5Z4NU, tells Allan, G0IAS, there will soon be very few operators from 5Z... it doesn't look as if there are enough operators for anybody now to get the "BIG FIVE AWARD".....

5B8AD - Harry, RA3AUU/P33W, informed the contesting community on September 17th, that Alex Saveliev, 5B8AD (aka C4N, RA6LUX), became a Silent Key after a heart attack. He was just 45.

OPDX and its readers would like to send out our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of the above mentioned......

TC90, TURKEY (Special Event). The members of the TCSWAT (Special Wireless Activity Team) have been active with the special event TC suffix callsigns for some years now to celebrate the anniversary of Republic of Turkey. In 2013, Turkey will celebrate their 90th anniversary, and between October 14-31st, the TCSWAT group will be active once more on the air as TC90TC. More details will be available on QRZ.com in the coming days. Activity will be on all HF bands and all modes. Plans are ongoing for a Multi-Multi entry at CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th). QSL via TA1HZ. Please be aware that QSL cards will be printed in 2014, so DO NOT hurry to send direct requests. TCSWAT sends QSL cards 100% via the Bureaus every year.

TF, ICELAND. Members of the Icelandic radio amateurs called "Radíó Refir" (English: Radio Foxes) will be using their new contest callsign TF2R (ex-TF2RR) for the first time during the CQWW DX RTTY Contest (September 28-29th) from the QTH of TF2LL <http://www.qrz.com/db/tf2ll> as a Multi-Single entry. Operators will be the majority of Icelandic RTTYers. For more information see QRZ.com.

TI8, COSTA RICA. Operators Carlos/TI2KAC, Juan/TI3JCY, Mauricio/TI4ZM, Eddie/K4UN, Bob/W4BW, Keith/W4KTR and Lex/W4XO will be active as TI8M from Costa De Pajaros during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th) as a Multi-2 entry. The group will be active before and during the contest on 160-10 meters. QSL via TI2KAC, direct or by the Bureau.

TX5, AUSTRAL ISLAND. Operators Dave/K3EL and Don/VE7DS will be active as TX5RV Raivavae Island (OC-114) between October 30th and November 6th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using mostly CW, maybe some SSB and

RTTY. The Austral Islands are currently 44th on the ClubLog "most wanted" list, very high for a fly-in destination, with a particularly low percentage of ClubLog users having contacts on 10 or 12 meters. Suggested frequencies are:
CW - 3531, 7031, 10119, 14031, 18081, 21031, 24914 and 28031 kHz
SSB - 7065/7165, 14220, 18115, 21315, 24970 and 28475 kHz
RTTY - 7037, 10144, 14082, 18102, 21090, 24927 and 28090 kHz

This is not intended to be a full-on DXpedition (they are travelling with their XYLs, hence they□ll be spending some time away from the radios), but there will be significant on-the-air time for approximately one week, running two medium-power stations with vertical antennas on the beach. QSL via M0URX (OQRS preferred). Logs will be uploaded to LoTW quickly after their return. The OQRS will be available for direct and bureau card requests, and direct requests can also be sent by snail-mail. Full information on QSLing via M0URX is available at Tim's Web site at:
http://www.m0urx.com
For more details, visit:
http://k3el.wordpress.com/dx/raivavae-austral-islands

VI6WA100, AUSTRALIA. Members of the Hills Amateur Radio Group will be active as VI6WA100, a special event callsign to celebrate the centenary of amateur radio in Western Australia (VK6 prefix), between October 1st and December 31st. QSL Manager is VK6IR, via direct, by the Bureau or his OQRS on his Web page <http://www.vk6ir.com>.

VK9M, MELLISH REEF (Press Release #1). Members of the "The Perseverance DX Group" posted the following press release about plans to activate Mellish Reef as VK9MT in 2014 [edited]: "After their successful operation from Campbell Island in December 2012, six members of the ZL9HR team, and additional operators, are today announcing their intention to activate Mellish Reef in early 2014.
Mellish Reef is located in the Coral Sea, approximately 1100km north-east of Brisbane, Australia. Currently number 24 on ClubLog's Most Wanted List, Mellish Reef was last activated in 2009. An international team will operate for 12 days, using 6 stations with linear amplifiers and vertical antennas.
Discussions are underway with the appropriate authorities and potential transport suppliers. Additional information will be available on the team's soon to be activated web site after the documentation is finalized. Currently signed up for the project are: Pista/HA5AO, Dave/K3EL, Glenn/KE4KY, Jacky/ZL3CW, George/HA5UK, Gene/K5GS and Les/W2LK. As the project progresses we will announce additional operators and details.
Please direct questions to: Mellish2014@... "

XZ, MYANMAR. By the time you read this, Zorro, JH1AJT, should be going QRT as XZ1Z (September 23rs). Jay, JA1TRC, states that QSO data for all those who have requested via OQRS for the August operation are being uploaded to LoTW, and is planning to do the same for the September operation. Your generous donation to the children in Myanmar can be sent to their PayPal account at <xz@...>.

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** IMPORTANT NOTICE/REMINDER ** The Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin now has a new
FAX number. Contributors can now send/fax their DX information to the
following number: 1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)
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receiving bounced mail by sending mail to me via <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>,
please send mail to me via <kb8nw@...> ...... TNX de Tedd KB8NW
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President of the "Northern Ohio DX Association" (NODXA)
DX Chairman for the "Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society
ARRL Assistant Director of the Great Lakes Division
Sysop of the "Basic Amateur Radio Frequency BBS" (BARF80.ORG)

21662. RE: [DX-IS] A35JP/H - How do I log it?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-09-22 22:28:34 UTC
From: Ron Notarius W3WN
Topic: 21660 Message: 21662

Two suggestions:

(1) Log it in your log however you're comfortable. If you choose not to include the /H, I'd make a note in the comments field (or equivalent) so that you know the island distinction.

(2) When you do your upload to LotW, put in two entries - one with the /H, one without. That way, your covered regardless of how Masa uploads it.

That's what I'd do, at least. YMMV, of course.

73, ron w3wn

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Rick W
Sent: Sunday, September 22, 2013 11:30 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] A35JP/H - How do I log it?

Masa, JA0RQV, is in Tonga signing as A35JP/H. The "/H" designation is for the island he's on - it starts with an "H". He also gives the IOTA number. My logging software, understandably, has no idea what the "/H" is all about. So I've logged it as A35JP.

My problem is what happens when Masa uploads his logs to LoTW as A35JP/H. I would anticipate that the "/H" is not a normal callsign (it probably contravenes several ADIF rules) but will the "/H" be accepted, stripped or rejected by LoTW? If the op successfully loads as A35JY/H then my QSOs will not match. Should I change my logged calls to include the "/H" or just ignore it.

Of course to be really safe, I could duplicate the call in my logbook and add the "/H" and enter a time 2 minutes later. But that seems like a little overkill.

Thoughts appreciated. Thanks.

73,
Rick
VE7TK

Website: http://www.ve7tk.com <http://www.ve7tk.com/>

21663. Re: A35JP/H - How do I log it?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-09-22 23:37:26 UTC
From: ve7tk
Topic: 21660 Message: 21663

Thanks Ron.

I chose option #2 (belt and suspenders) and uploaded both to LoTW!

73, Rick
VE7TK

--- In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, "Ron Notarius W3WN" <wn3vaw@...> wrote:
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21664. RE: [DX-IS] Re: A35JP/H - How do I log it?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-09-23 00:59:05 UTC
From: Ron Notarius W3WN
Topic: 21660 Message: 21664

No sweat.

Just listen for me on 160 during contest season. <g>

73

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of ve7tk
Sent: Sunday, September 22, 2013 7:37 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] Re: A35JP/H - How do I log it?

Thanks Ron.

I chose option #2 (belt and suspenders) and uploaded both to LoTW!

73, Rick
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21665. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-09-23 14:01:05 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21665

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:Issued: 2013 Sep 23 1304 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30923
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 23 Sep 2013, 1309UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 23 Sep 2013 until 25 Sep 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Quiet conditions (<50% probability of C-class flares)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 23 Sep 2013 10CM FLUX: 115 / AP: 006
PREDICTIONS FOR 24 Sep 2013 10CM FLUX: 115 / AP: 004
PREDICTIONS FOR 25 Sep 2013 10CM FLUX: 115 / AP: 005
COMMENT: The X-ray background radiation decreased near the bottom of the B-level.
The probability for a C flare is low. The geomagnetic conditions are
quiet: the total magnetic field is around 5 nT. The solar wind speed is
below 400 km/s. We expect the quiet geomagnetic conditions to continue.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 052, BASED ON 17 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 22 Sep 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 111
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : ///
AK WINGST : 005
ESTIMATED AP : 005
ESTIMATED ISN : 056, BASED ON 20 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21666. wake island

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-09-23 14:41:35 UTC
From: dale cole
Topic: 21666 Message: 21666

any signs of wake? web site maybe?
Dale K8TS

21667. Re: [DX-IS] wake island

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-09-23 18:31:32 UTC
From: Tom - K4DRV
Topic: 21666 Message: 21667

See this site: http://www.wake2013.org/

Hope this is what you are looking for.

Tom
K4DRV

>_____
> From: dale cole <dchamguy@...>
>To: "dx-is@yahoogroups.com" <dx-is@yahoogroups.com>
>Sent: Monday, September 23, 2013 10:41 AM
>Subject: [DX-IS] wake island
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>any signs of wake? web site maybe?
>Dale K8TS
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21668. Re: [DX-IS] wake island

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-09-24 03:58:16 UTC
From: dale cole
Topic: 21666 Message: 21668

Yes Tom........Got them listed on my watch sheet, but had heard no talk on status
Dale K8TS

From: Tom - K4DRV <k4drv@...>
To: "DX-IS@yahoogroups.com" <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Monday, September 23, 2013 2:31 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] wake island

See this site: http://www.wake2013.org/

Hope this is what you are looking for.

Tom
K4DRV

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> From: dale cole <dchamguy@...>
>To: "dx-is@yahoogroups.com" <dx-is@yahoogroups.com>
>Sent: Monday, September 23, 2013 10:41 AM
>Subject: [DX-IS] wake island
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>any signs of wake? web site maybe?
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21669. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-09-24 14:01:03 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21669

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:Issued: 2013 Sep 24 1217 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30924
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 24 Sep 2013, 1209UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 24 Sep 2013 until 26 Sep 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Quiet conditions (<50% probability of C-class flares)
GEOMAGNETISM : Active conditions expected (A>=20 or K=4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 24 Sep 2013 10CM FLUX: 109 / AP: 017
PREDICTIONS FOR 25 Sep 2013 10CM FLUX: 109 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 26 Sep 2013 10CM FLUX: 109 / AP: 006
COMMENT: NOAA Active Region 1850 - Catania sunspot region nr 83 was the source of 4
B-flares yesterday and today. The X-ray background radiation is near the
bottom of the B-level. We can conclude that flaring activity was low. We
don't expect it to rise dramatically. The magnetic field changed
direction on September 23. ACE data show today, September 24 an interaction
region between a slow and fast solar wind. The total interplanetary
magnetic field (IMF) and the density increased. Since the Bz component of
the IMF has values below -5nT, the geomagnetic field can slightly be
disturbed resulting in possible active conditions: K=4.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 046, BASED ON 18 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 23 Sep 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 079
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 108
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 010
AK WINGST : 006
ESTIMATED AP : 006
ESTIMATED ISN : 050, BASED ON 27 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21670. RE: [DX-IS] XZ 10M

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-09-25 04:16:30 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 21659 Message: 21670

Hi Brian,

Congratulations on your 17m CW XZ1Z QSO!

Zorro was very active up till a couple of days ago.
He seemed to have two stations running at times, I don't know how he did that.

Great to see Burma back on air after so many years.

73, Lance - VK6DU

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Brian Alsop
Sent: Sunday, 22 September 2013 10:24 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] XZ 10M

XZ1Z was on 10M yesterday about 1300Z.

Was it a pirate?

Anybody show up in ClubLog for this? Logs for yesterday appear to have been uploaded there.

73 de Brian/K3KO

No virus found in this message.
Checked by AVG - www.avg.com
Version: 2012.0.2242 / Virus Database: 3222/6188 - Release Date: 09/21/13

Yahoo! Groups Links

21671. Re: [DX-IS] XZ 10M

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-09-25 13:47:19 UTC
From: Fred Souto Maior
Topic: 21659 Message: 21671

Hi Lance:

They had 3 ops JH1AJT E21EIC and JJ1LIB and 2 stns to be used so
they could put 2 signals on 2 different bands ...
73

Fred - PY7ZZ

Em 25/09/2013 01:16, Lance Martin escreveu:
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> Yahoo! Groups Links

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21672. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-09-25 14:01:03 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21672

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:Issued: 2013 Sep 25 1242 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30925
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 25 Sep 2013, 1209UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 25 Sep 2013 until 27 Sep 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Quiet conditions (<50% probability of C-class flares)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 25 Sep 2013 10CM FLUX: 110 / AP: 006
PREDICTIONS FOR 26 Sep 2013 10CM FLUX: 110 / AP: 005
PREDICTIONS FOR 27 Sep 2013 10CM FLUX: 110 / AP: 006
COMMENT: NOAA active region 1846/ Catania 79 produced a C1.1 flare on September 24.
Although the chances for more C-flares are small, we end the all-quiet-
alert. ACE data show now a clear coronal hole signature. The solar
wind plasma has a speed just below 450 km/s. It took this plasma around 4
days to bridge the distance Sun-Earth. On September 20, a northern coronal
hole passed the central meridian. The co-rotating interaction region (CIR)
followed by a fast wind measured by ACE, is probably linked to this hole.
The CIR was responsible for 1 interval of Kp=4 on September 24. We expect
quiet geomagnetic conditions, with Kp below 3.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 052, BASED ON 19 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 24 Sep 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 073
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 110
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 020
AK WINGST : 012
ESTIMATED AP : 011
ESTIMATED ISN : 046, BASED ON 24 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21673. FS: World atlas-great for DXers and County Hunters

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-09-25 18:51:18 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 21673 Message: 21673

I have for sale a Time magazine Hammond World Atlas from 1980. Now this does contain some countries that no longer exist (East Germany, Czechoslovakia, Yugoslavia) and doesn't have some that now exist (Eriteria) but overall it is a very nice atlas for DXing. It has many individual country maps, with different colors for each of the country's internal divisions (like states, regions, etc). It also has a map of each US state, with different colors for each county, which makes it very easy to distinguish between the different counties in that state-great for county hunters. It even contains the counties for the provinces in Canada that have counties. It also contains different facts about each country, like languages, population, area, and a picture of the flag. It is hard cover with 176 pages in all. Some damage to the bottom of the spine, but overall a very nice atlas.

I am asking $15 shipped by media mail for it and can take paypal/check/MO.

73 John AF5CC

21674. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-09-26 14:01:03 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21674

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:Issued: 2013 Sep 26 1209 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30926
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 26 Sep 2013, 1209UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 26 Sep 2013 until 28 Sep 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Quiet conditions (<50% probability of C-class flares)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 26 Sep 2013 10CM FLUX: 111 / AP: 004
PREDICTIONS FOR 27 Sep 2013 10CM FLUX: 109 / AP: 005
PREDICTIONS FOR 28 Sep 2013 10CM FLUX: 109 / AP: 007
COMMENT: The Sun is quiet when it comes to flaring activity. NOAA AR 1850=
/Catania 83
produced a few B-flares. We expect that the X-ray radiation stays at a lo=
w
level. The solar wind speed peaked on September 25 around 450 km/s and
decreased slowly to a speed of 350 km/s today, September 26. Late
September 25, the Earth crossed a sector boundary (SB). The interplanetar=
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magnetic field changed from an inward to an outward direction, the densit=
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of the solar wind plasma has changed slightly. The SB crossing did not ha=
ve
geomagnetic consequences. A small northern coronal hole (between 35=B0
and 50=B0 latitude) will pass the central meridian today, September 26.
We expect the geomagnetic conditions to stay quiet for the next 48 hours.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 038, BASED ON 13 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 25 Sep 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 099
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 111
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 005
AK WINGST : 004
ESTIMATED AP : 004
ESTIMATED ISN : 054, BASED ON 23 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES=20
NONE
END
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21675. ARLD039 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-09-26 22:17:10 UTC
From: jjreisert@...
Topic: 6312 Message: 21675

SB DX @ ARL $ARLD039
ARLD039 DX news

ZCZC AE39
QST de W1AW
DX Bulletin 39 ARLD039
>From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT September 26, 2013
To all radio amateurs

SB DX ARL ARLD039
ARLD039 DX news

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by I3VJW, N7QT, NC1L, W2GEZ, W3UR, QRZ DX, the OPDX Bulletin, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, DXNL, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

ROTUMA ISLAND, 3D2. Operators 3D2RA, 3D2GC/p and 3D2DD/p are QRV until October 11. Activity is on 160 to 6 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY, SSTV and PSK31. QSL 3D2RA via LZ2HM, 3D2GC/p via LZ1GC and 3D2DD/p direct to home call.

SENEGAL, 6V. Luc, F5RAV will be QRV as 6V7T/p from N'gor Island, IOTA AF-045, during October. Activity will be on 40 to 10 meters using SSB and PSK. QSL direct to home call.

CROATIA, 9A. Members of the Verona DX Team will be QRV as 9A/IQ3VO from Dugi Otok, IOTA EU-170, from September 28 to October 1. This includes being active from the Veli Rat Lighthouse, ARLHS CRO-183. Activity will be on all HF bands and 6 meters, except 160 meters, using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31. QSL via IQ3VO.

UGANDA, 9X. Nick, G3RWF is QRV as 5X1NH from the University of the Mountains of the Moon in Fort Portal, Western Uganda and occasionally from Kampala until November 16. QSL to home call.

TAIWAN, BV. A group of operators will be QRV as BV60V until the end of 2013 in celebration of the 60th anniversary of the Victory Broadcasting Company. This includes being a Multi/Multi entry in the CQ World Wide RTTY DX contest. QSL via operators' instructions.

BOLIVIA, CP. Peter, DF7NX is QRV as CP9/DF7NX until October 15. Activity is on the HF bands using only CW. QSL to home call.

MADEIRA ISLANDS, CT3. A group of operators will be QRV as CR3A in the CQ World Wide RTTY DX contest as a Multi Op entry. QSL via

operators' instructions.

SABLE ISLAND, CY0. Operators VE1RGB, AI5P and WA4DAN will be QRV as CY0P from October 1 to 11. QSL direct via VE1RGB.

ESTONIA, ES. Station ES9C will be QRV as a Multi/Multi entry in the CQ World Wide RTTY DX contest. QSL via operator's instructions.

AUSTRAL ISLAND, FO. Grant, KZ1W and Rob, N7QT will be QRV as TX5D from Raivavae Island, IOTA OC-114, from October 2 to 14. Activity will be on 80 to 10 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK. QSL via bureau.

JAPAN, JA. Special event station 8J9ECZEN is QRV during October to celebrate the 10th anniversary of Echizen's Railway. QSL via bureau.

MARIANA ISLANDS, KH0. Kazuo, JH8PHT plans to be QRV as AH0KT from Saipan from October 3 to 7. Activity will be on the HF bands and 6 meters using CW, SSB, various digital modes, along with AM and FM on 10 meters. QSL to home call.

LUXEMBOURG, LX. Members of the Radio Club Leuven will be QRV as LX/OR5M in the CQ World Wide RTTY DX contest. QSL via ON4CP.

FINLAND, OH. Members of the Reila Beachboys will be QRV as OH2ET and celebrating their 10th anniversary by participating in the CQ World Wide DX RTTY Contest as a Multi-2 entry. QSL via operator's instructions.

ICELAND, TF. Mike, W2GEZ, will try to be QRV as TF3IRA the early part of October. Activity will be on all bands. QSL via operator's instructions. In addition, look for the Radio Foxes to be QRV as TF2R as a Multi/Single entry in the CQ World Wide RTTY DX contest. QSL via operators' instructions.

COTE d'IVOIRE, TU. Dimitri, F5SWB is QRV as TU5DF until October 20. Activity is on 40 to 10 meters using mostly CW with some SSB. QSL to home call.

BERMUDA, VP9. Operators K3GP, WW3S and ND8L are QRV as VP9/home calls until September 30. In addition, they will be QRV as VP9I in the CQ World Wide RTTY DX contest. QSL VP9I direct via WW3S and all others to home calls.

NEW ZEALAND, ZL. To commemorate the 90th anniversary of the first antipodal QSO between Shag Valley, New Zealand and London, England, special event station ZM90DX will be QRV from October 1, 2013 to October 31, 2014. Activity will be on all bands and modes. QSL via M0OXO. In addition, look for ZM1A to be a Multi-2/High Power entry in the CQ World Wide RTTY DX contest. QSL via operators' instructions.

CHANGE IN OPERATING SCHEDULE. As reported in DX news ARLD038, the TN2MS Congo operation is scheduled for October 12 to 24.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The ARRL EME Contest, CQ Worldwide RTTY DX Contest, NCCC RTTY Sprint Ladder, NCCC Sprint, AGCW VHF/UHF Contest and the Texas QSO Party are all on tap for his upcoming weekend. The 222 MHz Fall Sprint is scheduled for October 1. Please see September QST, page 79, October QST, page 89, and the ARRL and WA7BNM contest web sites for details.
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21676. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-09-27 14:01:03 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21676

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:Issued: 2013 Sep 27 1247 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30927
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 27 Sep 2013, 1209UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 27 Sep 2013 until 29 Sep 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Quiet conditions (<50% probability of C-class flares)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 27 Sep 2013 10CM FLUX: 107 / AP: 006
PREDICTIONS FOR 28 Sep 2013 10CM FLUX: 105 / AP: 006
PREDICTIONS FOR 29 Sep 2013 10CM FLUX: 103 / AP: 008
COMMENT: Flaring activity is in the B-level. We don't expect it to change=
. A large
filament is now at the central meridian. It is stable up to now. A
coronal hole in visible in the northern hemisphere between 35=B0 and 50=B0
latitude, around 25=B0 wide. It reached the central meridian yesterday,
September 26. The coronal hole is not recurrent. Geomagnetic influence is
possible in 2-3 days. At the moment, the geomagnetic conditions are
quiet.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 041, BASED ON 19 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 26 Sep 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 090
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 110
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 003
AK WINGST : 001
ESTIMATED AP : 001
ESTIMATED ISN : 037, BASED ON 25 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES=20
NONE
END
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21677. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1130

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-09-27 14:12:15 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 21677 Message: 21677

SB DX @ WW < KB8NW $OPDX.1130
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DX Bulletin No. 1130
BID: $OPDX.1130
September 30, 2013
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

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** EDITOR'S SPECIAL NOTICE: This week's bulletin was sent out earlier than normal to accommodate the late CQWW DX RTTY Contest announcements. Also, we wanted to provide the OPDX readers with a consolidated listing of the CQWW DX RTTY Contest participants.

DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Friday, 20th-September, through Friday, 27th-September there were 230 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3B9, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5A, 5B, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5U, 5W, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7X, 8P, 8Q, 8R, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9V, 9X, 9Y, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C2, C3, C6, CE, CE0Y, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D6, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FH, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FS, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HC8, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J6, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JX, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OJ0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PY, PZ, S5, S7, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T5, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TR, TT, TU, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V3, V4, V5, V6, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK9L, VK9N, VP2E, VP2V, VP6, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XX9, XZ, YA, YB, YI, YJ, YK, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZD7, ZD8, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS, ZS8

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

5B, CYPRUS. Tony, RT9T, will once again be active as 5B4ALB from Pachyammos (AS-004, MIA MCI-002, WLOTA 0051) between October 17th and November 4th. Activity will be on all bands and modes. QSL via RT9T direct only.

5R, MADAGASCAR. Eric, F6ICX, will once again be active as 5R8IC from Saint Marie Island (AF-090) between November 16th and December 15th. Activity will be holiday style operating CW, RTTY, and PSK63, and using a FT450 with 100 watts into various GPs or Inverted-Ls and a Hexbeam for 20-10 meters. There will be no online log during his activity. QSL via his home callsign (QRZ.com).

5V, TOGO. Wim, ON4CIT, will once again be active as 5V7TH from Togo (Grid Square JJ06rf) sometime in November and December. Activity will be on 40-6 meters, including the 30/17/12 meter bands, using CW, SSB and RTTY. He plans to be on in the evening on 40 and 30 meters. Wim mentions that he will travel during the day to Benin to collect his TY1 callsign papers which is supposed to be ready. During that same day, he will try to search for a nice QTH in Grand Popo (Benin) for his TY1 DXpedition and move from Togo to Grand Popo, Benin, when everything is sorted out. QSL via his home callsign, direct (2 USDs/EU and 3 USDs/US), by the Bureau, LoTW (uploaded year later) or by the ClubLog's OQRS. For more details, visit: http://www.dxpedition.be/5V7TH.html

9Y, TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO. Jim, N6TJ, will be active as 9Y4W from Scarborough, Tobago Island (SA-009, WLOTA 0412), during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (20m) entry. QSL via DFL4MDO, direct or by the Bureau.

A2, BOTSWANA (Op Cancelled!). Donovan, ZS2DL, who was expected to lead a team of operators in April of 2014 to Botswana, has announced: "It is with tremendous disappointment, that we have had to cancel the A22D trip in April 2014. The main reason for this has been the breakdown of sponsorship from one of the main Japanese manufacturer of Radio equipment. These negotiations have been ongoing for nearly a year now, and business must be bad as we simply could not reach a workable solution. As a result we have no alternative but to cancel the A22D adventure. Please accept our most sincere apologies, but promise to be back from somewhere else soon, maybe even more sought after than A2."

A5, BHUTAN. Operators Junichi/JH3AEF, Ryo/JH7EQW and Jusei/JA3IVU will be active as A52AEF, A52EQW and A52IVU, respectively, from Dochula Pass between October 10-20th. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via their home callsigns.

AH0, MARIANA ISLANDS. Operators Jussi-Pekka/OH6RX and Esa/OH7WV will be active as AH0K from Northern Mariana Islands (OC-086) during both CQWW DX SSB (October 26-27th) and CQWW DX CW Contests (November 23-24th) as a Multi-2 entry. Activity outside the contest will be on the HF bands and possibly on the 6 meter band. QSL route TBA.

BV60, TAIWAN (Special Event). Members of the China Radio Association (CRA) will activate the special event callsign BV60V from Tainan between September 28th and December 31st. Activity is to celebrate the 60th anni-

versary of Victory Broadcasting Company. Operations will start during this coming weekend's CQWW DX RTTY Contest (September 28-29th) as a Multi-Multi entry. They also plan to operate between October 11-13th, from Lin Mo-Niang Park. Operators mentioned are Tang/BM2AAV, Eddie/BV2DD, Evan/BV2KS, Lee/BV2NT, Pro/BX4AN and Koshiro/JA3AQM. QSL route is available on QRZ.com or <http://www.cra.org.tw/amateur/qsl_en.aspx>.

C6, BAHAMAS. Rich, N0HJZ, will once again be active as C6ARW from Grand Bahama Island between October 22-29th. Activity will be on 30/17/12 meters this time using CW and RTTY. Operations will also include the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL via his home callsign direct.

CE0Y, EASTER ISLAND (Update). Operators Jose/CE0HYO, Gustavo/CX2AM, Humberto/CX3AN, Gustavo/CX3CE, Mario/CX4CR, Gen/EA5HPX, Francisco/EA7FTR and Carlos/LU2NI will be active as XR0YY from Hanga Roa, Easter Island, between November 1-7th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. They will have 3 stations operating simultaneously. QSL via EB7DX. They have a Web site available at: http://easterisland2013.com

CR3, MADEIRA. Members of the Madeira Contest Team will be active as CR3A during the CQWW DX RTTY Contest (September 28-29th) as a Multi-? entry. Operators mentioned are Joe/CT3BD, Luis/CT3DL, Joe/CT3DZ, Luis/CT3EE, Duarte/CT3EN, Jose/CT3IA, Tiago/CT3KU, Jose/CT3KY and Tony/CT1FFU. QSL via EA5GL or LoTW.

CR3/CT9, MADEIRA ISLANDS. The CR3L contest station in Santana on Madeira Island (AF-014) will be active during the CQWW DX RTTY Contest (September 28-29th) as a Multi-Multi entry. Operators mentioned are Juergen/DJ2VO, Walter/DJ6QT, Peter/DJ6XV, Hermann/DK1AQ, Tom/DL6TK, Kalle/DM3BJ, Han-J./DL1YFF and Andy/LX1DA. QSL CR3L via DJ6QT. Activity by operators, QSL via their home callsign. Visit the CR3L Santana, Madeira Island, Web page at: http://www.cq3l.de

CY0, SABLE ISLAND. Just a reminder that operators Gary/VE1RGB, Murray/WA4DAN and Rick/AI5P will be active as CY0P from Sable Island (NA-063, CISA NS004, WLOTA 0758, WWFF CYFF-001) between October 1-11th. Activity will be on all bands 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via VE1RGB, direct or by the Bureau. For more information and updates, visit: http://www.cy0dxpedition.com

D4, CAPE VERDE. Operators Babs/DL7AFS and Lot/DJ7ZG will be active as D44TXT from the Island of Santiago (AF-005) between October 19th and Novvember 7th. Operations will be near Praia, the capital town, and from a rented private house. Lot informs OPDX that the license was very difficult to obtain, and took over 10 months to get it. Originally, the DXpedition was planned for the spring of 2013. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using RTTY, PSK63 and SSB. If they have a great opening on 6 meters, they will be on air. With their baggage being limited, they will have 2 stations: 2x Elecraft K2 with 2x 600W PA and 1x FT857 for 6m; Data Interface "IF one" from "Funkamateur Magazine" and data

programs -MixW and WinTest; Triple Leg antennas and dipoles. QSL via LoTW, direct or by the Bureau.

FR/TO2, REUNION ISLANDS. Stephane, F5UOW, will once again be active from Reunion Island (AF-016). He will sign as FR/F5UOW between October 31st and November 21st, but between November 3-17th, he will sign TO2R. His activity will be mostly CW between 40-10 meters. QSL via F5UOW, direct or by the Bureau.

FW, WALLIS AND FUTUNA ISLANDS. Jean-Jacques, TK5JJ, will leave Corsica for 2 years and travel to Wallis Island where he will be active as FW5JJ. He hopes to be active very soon after his arrival with an Icom 756PRO and G5RV antenna. The rest of his equipement will arrive later. He will be active on SSB, CW and the Digital modes on all HF bands, 6m and 2m EME. QSL via F5RXL.

IOTA NEWS.....
AF-018. Aldo, IK2ANI will be active as IH9/IK2ANI from Isola di Pantelleria (IIA TP-001, MIA MI-124, WLOTA 0041) between September 27th and October 1st. Activity will be holiday style on 30-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. He will use 100 watts into a vertical antenna. Listen for QSL route.

AF-019. (Reminder/Update - Ops!) An international team of operators will be active as IG9Y from Lampedusa Island between October 17-30th. Operators mentioned currently are Gabor/HA1YA, Don/JH5GHM, Boyko/LZ1QN, Dale/N3BNA, Frederic/ON4LG, Aurelio/PC5A, Rob/PE1ITR, Vlad/RC0F, Silvo/S50X, Romeo/S52RU, Renato/S57UN, Slavc/S57DX, Drago/S59A and Konstantin/VE3LA. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB, and RTTY, with four stations on the air. The team will be in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th) as a Multi-2 entry. QSL via ON4LG. An OQRS will be available for direct and Bureau cards. Visit their Web page at: http://ig9.ii9p.com

AS-100. Operators Yuli/4X6HP, Vlad/4Z5IW and Ros/4Z5LA will be active as homecall/p, weather permitting, from Akhziv Island between October 18-19th. Activity will be on the HF bands. QSL via their callsigns.

EU-025. Members of the Arcibessi DX & Contest Group will be active as IQ9UI from Sicily Island during the CQWW DX RTTY Contest (September 28-29th) and CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Multi-Multi entry (for the first time!). QSL via IT9CHU or LoTW. Operators mentioned are Antonello/IT9EQO, Carmelo/IT9AUG, Fabio/IT9GSF, Marcello/IT9CJC, Vincenzo/IT9CHU, Giuseppe/IT9HBT, Carlo/IK1HJS, Andrea/IV3SKB, Flavio/IV3TMV and Domenico/IW9GTD. Special guests are Luis/IV3PRK and Peter/IV3YYK for support on the low bands. Visit the II9P Web page at: http://ii9p.com

EU-054. Operators Raffaello/IT9ATF, Renato/IT9NPR, Pippo/IT9PPG and Antonino/IT9RDG will be active as IF9A from Favignana Island

(IIA TP-011, MIA MI-025, WLOTA LH-1545) for the CQWW DX SSB Contest as (October 26-27th) as a Multi-Single entry. Activity will be on all bands and modes outside of the contest. QSL via IT9ATF, direct or by the Bureau.

EU-057. Operators Friedrich/DL4BBH, Matthias/DK7LV, Klaus/DL7UXG, Henning/DB5BZ, Peter/DJ4RU and Ric/DL2VFR will be active as DM50IOTA from Hiddensee Island (DID O-005, WLOTA 2371) between September 28th and October 4th. Activity will be on all HF bands using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via DL2VFR, by the Bureau or direct. For more details and updates, visit the QRZ.com Web site or: http://www.iota-expedition.com
ADDED NOTES: This is one of many German Island groups activated by DM50IOTA during the 50th IOTA Marathon. DM50IOTA will activate all German IOTAs during that time. If you have worked DM50IOTA from all German IOTAs by the end of 2013, you can apply for a special award. Also, this activation will also count for the Vorpommern Lagoon Area National Park WWFF (WorldWide Flora Fauna) reference DLFF-014. It also counts for the lighthouse Dornbusch (DLTD_GLHA #17, ARLHS FED-026, WLOTA 2371).

NA-060. Dan, HR2DMR, is planning to visit Tigre Island and hopes to be active as HQ4W (appending) between October 17-20th. His operating time on the island may be restricted due to the Honduran Navy exercises. Operations will be on the HF bands using CW and SSB. QSL via KD4POJ.

NA-130. Mike, VE2XB, had to cancel his VY0BRR operation to Broughton (Qikiqtarjuaq) Island, Nunavut, between September 23-27th.

ISWL CALLSIGNS (For October). The following ISWL club callsigns will be used throughout the month of October 2013:

GX4BJC/A & GX4BJC/P - Operated from Walton on the Naze, in Essex, by Herbie - G6XOU. (ISWL Council Member & QSL Bureau Manager) (The /A WAB Square = TM22 - England & IOTA = EU-005 & WLOTA = LH-1841); (If required, the GX4BJC/P WAB details will be given during QSOs).

MX1SWL/A - Operated /A from Hartford, in Cambridgeshire, by Tom, G3RPV. (/A WAB Square = TL27 - England, IOTA = EU-005 & WLOTA = LH-1841).

ALL QSLs will be handled by Herbie, G6XOU, and NOT the individual operator. The I.S.W.L. is a member of the European PSK Club. All QSL info is on <www.iswl.org.uk> or <www.qrz.com> or via <www.eQSL.cc>. NO LoTW. I.S.W.L. Awards are available to all Hams and SWLs, see <www.iswl.org.uk> for full details. The eQSL.cc cards ARE welcomed for their awards.

J7, DOMINICA. Operators Charlie/K1XX, George/K5KG, Jim/WI9WI and Gus/VO1MP will be active as J79XX, J75KG, J79WI and J79MP, respectively, from

Dominica (NA-101) between November 16-25th. The group plans to also be in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) signing J7A as a Multi-2 entry. QSL J75KG via K5KG, J79XX via K1XX, J79WI via WI9WI, J79MP via VO1MP and J7A via NX4N.

KH9, WAKE ISLAND (Press Release #5). Joe, W8GEX, sent out the following press release on September 24th [edited]: "The Wake Atoll commemorative team is in the final phase of preparation. All equipment has been received in Hawaii and will be transported to Hickam AFB for delivery to Wake Island. Thanks, Kimo, KH7U for your invaluable assistance!
The plan is for the team to assemble in Hawaii on or before 3rd October, depart 4th October and arrive on 5th October. The following day will be dedicated to station set-up.
There will be two CW and two SSB stations on the air. The CW site will be located across from the Arrivals terminal and the SSB site will be housed in a 'beach house' near downtown Wake.
We are planning on being QRV 7th October through 18th October (Wake time). If there are any changes, they will be posted on our website. <http://wake2013.org/pages/bandplan.html> Logs will be uploaded to ClubLog as time and internet access allows.
This is a commemorative DXpedition. Our prime objective is to honor the lives and contributions of the Forgotten 98 civilian contractors who lost their lives on Wake during WWII. Some of these men have yet to be identified and are interred in Honolulu. If you know any of the Forgotten 98 or their relatives, modern DNA testing may identify their remains and provide for a proper burial. Please take a moment to look through their names. <http://wake2013.org/pages/forgotten98.html>
The team wants to thank the DX community, including generous worldwide Foundations, Clubs, Individuals, Equipment manufacturers and outlets for their outstanding support of the Wake commemorative efforts. These DXpeditions are extremely expensive and could not be accomplished without the support of the entire DX community. Visit the <http://wake2013.org> website to view our sponsors and make your personal donation.
Please note! A few other DXpeditions will be on the air during the Wake operation. To avoid the dreaded 'not in the log', please be sure which DXpedition you are working! Our operators will announce the K9W callsign often to help identify your contact.
Please check our website frequently for updates. <http:/wake2013.org/>
And don't forget to sign our guestbook!
73, K9W Wake Atoll Management Team"

ADDED NOTE FROM W8GEX TO THE 60 METERS GANG: "As you may know, I am part of the K9W Wake Island team. Our plans are to leave Hawaii on Oct. 5 for Wake. If all goes well, we will be QRV late on the 6th. After we get into our routine, I'll send an email to let you know my 60m operating times. I am planning to listen for Europe around 0430z at their sunrise as well as South America, then the East coast of North America about 1000z.
I'll be using an IC-706 into an inverted vee. After we get K9W set up and we have our operating schedules working, I'll start setting up my 60m station. I am a phone operator and will be on 5.403.5 unless QRN, and then I'll go to 5.371.5.

I might be able to get one on the team CW ops to get on as well. As always give your call many times so we can pull it through. Give your call many times because with the distance and low power and high QRN, it's hard to pick these calls out..... Joe W8GEX, K9W team member"

KP2, U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS. Operators Philip/KT3Y, Frederick/K9VV and Robert/WP2XX will once again be active from the KP2M rental shack on St. Croix Island (NA-106) during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via AI4U (DIRECT ONLY) OR LoTW. NO BUREAU QSLs.

P4, ARUBA (Correction/Update). Valery, R5GA, will once again be active as P4/R5GA from Aruba (SA-036, WLOTA 0033) between November 16-26th. Activity will be on CW mainly on 160-10 meters, especially on the 30/17/12 meters. His activity will also include the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) [not the CQWW DX SSB Contest] as a Single-Op/All-Band entry using the contest callsign P40F. QSL via UA3DX. QSL P4/R5GA via R5GA, direct, by the Bureau or LoTW.

PJ4, BONAIRE. Operators Paul/K1XM, John/K4BAI, Jeff/KU8E, Martin/W1MD and Dennis/W1UE will be active as PJ4A from the "PJ4G Radio House" on Bonaire (SA-006, WLOTA LH-1279) during CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) as a Multi-2 entry. The team will be on the island between November 18-26th. Outside the contest, operators will be active as PJ4/homecall. QSL PJ4A, PJ4/K4BAI and PJ4/KU8E via K4BAI. QSL PJ4/K1XM, PJ4/W1MD and PJ4/W1UE via their home callsigns. Check out the "PJ4G Radio House" at: http://www.pj4g.com

PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (September 30th-October 6th)....
Sep/30th AN Oct/03rd AN Oct/05th AN
Oct/01st HN Oct/04th AN Oct/06th AN-HN
Oct/02nd AN-LN

SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS/INDEXES AND GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE
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NORMALITY	GEOMAG K Values	Alpha
AN - Above Normal	Quiet K=0-1	0-7
HN - High Normal	Unsettled K=2	8-15
LN - Low Normal	Active K=3	16-29
BN - Below Normal	Minor Storm K=4	30-49
DIS - Disturbed	Major Storm K=5	50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed	Severe Storm K=6-9	100-400

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (For September 27th)

4A2I via XE2I JW/DO6XX via DO6XX PJ4/G3TXF via G3TXF
A35JQ via JF6QIP LB1A via LA5ZV R863LC via R3LC
CO0DO via CO-Bureau LX/DF8XC via DF8XC S5/OE3MHU/P via OE3MHU (d)
CO0SK via EA5GL (d) OH/DJ9DZ via DJ9DZ SM6/V63YM via SM6FJY
CO6RD via EA5GL OJ0H/MM via OH2BH SV8/HB9AAI via HB9AAI

EA6/G3SZU via M0OXO ON40C130H via ON2KFJ SV9/OE6YRG via OE6YRG
HB0/DL3TU/P via DL3TU OZ/DF2BR via DF2BR T48LT via CO8IR
HB0/DL4AAE/P via DL4AAE OZ/DO5MCL via DO5MCL YT0WFF via YU7CM
II0GMC via M0OXO OZ/PD0HLA via PD0HLA
(e) eQSL only (d) direct only (B) Bureau only (L) LoTW only

3B7RF & 3B6RF LOGS NOW ON LoTW. George, K5KG, reports: "I am pleased to announce that the logs from 3B7RF (1998 St. Brandon, 53K QSOs) and 3B6RF (2001 Agalega, 61K QSOs) have finally been uploaded to Logbook of The World. It has taken many years to get this done, and thanks goes to Karl, HB9JAI/4X1DF, Hanspeter, HB9BXE, and Kurt, HB9AFI, for making it happen."

WF5E DX QSL SERVICE (Closing). Les, WF5E, informed OPDX that after 20 years he will be retiring his service at end of October due to health problems. All incoming QSLs after that date will be forwarded to his clients. See: http://www.qsl.net/wf5e
However, Jim, K3FN, will be taking over his service, but under a new name - Airmail Postage QSL Service. Look for Jim to start promoting the service immediately. His E-mail address is <k3fn@...> and his Web site can be virwed at: http://www.airmailpostage.com

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 9N7MD, BU2AW, F4FEP, FG4NO, H40T, H44G, KH7X, LA5FHA, RU3EJ, US1UX, UT5EO, VK9CZ, XZ1Z, YD1NAA/5 and ZL1LC

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: HH5/KC0W, HU2DX, TJ3SN, T2YY, UA7A and YW5X

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 5B/UW2M, 5V7SI, 5W1SA, 7Z1HL, 8P9UR, 8Q7SO, 9G5SI, 9H9BH, 9H3JR, 9H9OB, 9M2DVR, A35XG, CE1DY, CE1YI, DU1IST, HB0CC, J79WE, JG8NQJ/JD1, JH1LET/JD1, LX/DL2JRM, LX7X, MD/DL9MWG, OA7/DF7NX, OX5AA, OX3KQ, PJ2/DL5MFL, PJ4/K5KG, PJ4/W9NJY, T5TC, T88XC, TC150RC, TY2SI, V31YN/P, V5/DF2UU, VK9XS and W8XGI/KH2

T32, EAST KIRIBATI (Update/Callsign). It has been announced: "In honor of the Russian Robinson Club's twentieth anniversary, a callsign of T32RRC was requested for this DXpedition. As of September 9, 2013, our team was advised that the originally confirmed callsign (T32RRC) is not available. On September 24, 2013, the Communications Commission of The Republic of Kiribati advised Dean - KW7XX that they will issue T32RC for our DXpedition group. As of September 25, 2013, the T32RC license has been issued and is in our possession. We will be using T32RC for the expedition." Also announced are the operators of this DXpedition. Operators mentioned at this time are Tim/NL8F, Dick/N7RO, Dean/KW7XX, David/AH6HY and Paula/NX1P. More details and updates, visit: http://www.t32-2013.com

T33, BANABA ISLAND (Update). The T33A DXpedition to Banaba Island (OC-018), which will be active between November 5-18th, announced on their Web page: "The drums of gasoline needed for our generating capacity have arrived on Banaba. KOIL, the Kiribati Oil Company Limited, has a rep on the island and our provision is under his watch to make sure our dxpedition has the fuel we need for sustained operation." Also, the DXpedition now has a

Blog page: http://banaba2013.wordpress.com
For more details about the DXpedition, visit the T33A Web page at:
http://www.t33a.com/index.htm

TO3/FM, MARTINIQUE. Operators Tatsuo/JA3ARJ and Kunio/JA1CJA will be active as TO3JA (appending) from Martinique (NA-107) between January 13-19th, 2014. If they can not get TO3JA, they may sign FM/homecall. Look for more details to be forthcoming.

TU2, COTE D'LVOIRE. Dimitri, F5SWB, who will be active as TU5DF til October 20th, has put more than 8000 QSOs in his log and hopes to have 12000 QSOs before he leaves. His activity has been on 40-10 meters on CW with some on SSB. QSL via F5SWB.

V2, ANTIGUA. Bud, AA3B, will once again be active as V26K from Antigua (NA-100) between November 21-25th. Activity will include the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. Outside of the contest, activity will be all CW on the HF bands only. QSL via AA3B.

V2, ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA. Kei, KG2A/JJ1RJR will once again be active as V25A from Antigua (NA-100) between November 21st and December 1st. Activity will be on 160-10 meters, including the 30/17/12 meter bands, and using CW and SSB. He will also be in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) as a Single-Op/All-Bnand entry. QSL direct only with SASE to KG2A. PLEASE NOTE: Kei informs OPDX that his callsign V25A is a reissued callsign. QSL ONLY TO KG2A and not to W9NJB listed on QRZ.com.

VK9M, MELLISH REEF (Press Release #2 from the VK9MT Web Site): "Planning continues for the previously announced Mellish Reef DX-pedition scheduled for late March ☐ early April, 2014. Landing Authority: Australia's 'Commonwealth Marine Reserve Operations Department' reviewed our DX-pedition project plan and requires that we follow their documented environmental protection regulations. Effective July 1, 2014, Mellish Reef becomes part of Australia's new Coral Sea Marine Reserve proposal which implements additional restrictions to further protect the area's ecology; we appreciate the Australian government's cooperation and spirit of partnership in making this DX-pedition possible."

The VK9MT Web site lists the following suggested frequencies:
CW - 1826.5, 3523, 7023, 10103, 14023, 18079, 21023, 24894 and 28023 kHz
SSB - 3790, 7082, 14145, 18140, 21295, 24955 and 28495 kHz
RTTY - 7035, 10142, 18099, 21080, 24912 and 28080 kHz

QSL Manager is M0URX. An OQRS will be available for direct and Bureau QSLs. LoTW upload will be done at the earliest opportunity. There will be NO eQSL. For more details on QSL info, see their Web page. For more details and updates, visit the VK9MT Web page at: http://www.vk9mt.com

VP9, BERMUDA. Les, N1SV, will once again be active as VP9I from Ed/VP9GE's QTH for the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL VP9I via WW3S. Outside of the contest, look for him to be active as VP9/N1SV starting October 23rd. QSL via his

home callsign.

XT, BURKINA FASO. Harald, DF2WO, will be active as XT2AW from Ouagadougou between the last week of January and the end February 2014. Activity will be holiday style on CW and SSB. QSL via M0OXO.

XV, VIETNAM. Take, JA6CNH, will be active as XV2CNH from Ho Chi Minh City between November 1-9th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via JA6CNH direct only.

XW, LAOS. "The Daily DX" reports that Bruce, AA4XR (3W3B, HS0ZCY), will be returning to his home in Laos to do some antenna work and be active as XW4XR between September 30th and October 9th. Activity is usually on CW and RTTY. QSL via E21EIC.

ZL, NEW ZEALAND. Members of the Quake Contesters Group will be active as ZL3X during the CQWW DX RTTY Contest (September 28-29th) as a Multi-2/ High-Power entry. QSL via ZL3PAH or LoTW. Operators mentioned are Mark/ ZL3AB, Andrew/ZL3CC, Byron/ZL3DXT, Geoff/ZL3GA, Graeme/ZL3GK, Chris/ZL3LF and Phil/ZL3PAH.

The following stations are expected to be active in the
CQ World Wide DX RTTY Contest (September 28-29th, 2013)

Thanks to Bill, NG3K, for providing OPDX readers with the following consolidated listing of the participants in the 2013 CQWW DX RTTY Contest. For a more detailed listing (and up-to-date changes/corrections) in HTML format, please visit Bill's Web page at:
http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/cqr2013.html (By call sign)
http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/cqrd2013.html (By entity)
http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/cqrz2013.html (By zone)

Contest DXCC CQZ Class QSL
Callsign Entity Route

3B8/G0TSM Mauritius 39 LP LoTW
3D2RA Rotuma 31 TBD LZ2HM
4O/HG3IPA Montenegro 15 HA3JB Direct
BV60V Taiwan 24 M/M BV60V
CE1RPW Chile 12 SOSB 15M CE1RPW
CR3A Madeira 33 M/? LoTW; QSL via EA5GL
CR3L Madeira 33 M/M DJ6QT
EI/M5RIC Ireland 14 SOAB HP M0OXO
ES9C Estonia 15 M/M LoTW
HK1NA Colombia 09 M/M K6PIM
IQ9UI Sicily 15 M/M IT9CHU
IS0/YL7A Sardinia 15 SOSB 15M YL7A
LX/OR5M Luxembourg 14 M/S ON4CP
LX7I Luxembourg 14 M/2 LX2A
MJ5Z Jersey 14 SOAB LP LoTW

OH2ET Finland 15 M/2 OH2ET
OH5Z Finland 15 M/S LoTW
OL3A Czech Republic 15 M/S OK1MR
PJ4/G3TXF Bonaire 08 SO G3TXF
SW9XB Crete 20 SOSB 15M LoTW; QSL via DJ9XB
TF2R Iceland 40 M/S
TM1A France 14 M/S F6KOP Bureau
UU7J Ukraine 16 SOAB HP LoTW
VE2CSI Canada 02 M/2 M0URX
VP9I Bermuda 05 M/? WW3S
YS1/NP3J El Salvador 07 SO LP LoTW; QSL via EA5GL
ZL3X New Zealand 32 M/2 ZL3PAH

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**** DX INFORMATION ****
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4X - Look for 4X6HP/p, 4Z5IW/p and 4Z5LA/p to be active from Akhziv Island (AS-100) on 18-19 October. QSL via home calls. [TNX DX world]
5R - Once again Eric, F6ICX will be active as 5R8IC from Sainte-Marie Island (AF-090) from 16 November to 15 December. He will operate mainly CW, with some RTTY, BPSK and SSB, on 40-10 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau, and LoTW. Logsearch and OQRS on Club Log.
8R - Alex, W1CDC will be active as 8R1A from Guyana from 13 October to 1 November. He will operate holiday style with an emphasis on 80, 30, 17, 12 and 6 metres CW. QSL via W1CDC, direct or bureau. [TNX The Daily DX]
6W - Once again Luc, F5RAV will be active as 6V7T from Le Calao, Senegal on 8-17 October. He will operate PSK and SSB on 40-10 metres. On 11-14 October he and 6W7RV will operate as 6V7T/p to N'gor Island (AF-045). QSL via F5RAV, direct only. [TNX F8REF]
9A - Sergio, IZ3NXC will be active as 9A8NXC from Krk Island (EU-136) on 28-29 September. He will operate SSB and RTTY on 40, 20 and 15 metres. QSL via IK3GES. Logsearch and OQRS on Club Log. [TNX DX Coffee]
A5 - JA3IVU (A52IVU), JH3AEF (A52AEF) and JH7EQW (A52EQW) will be active from Dochula, Bhutan on 10-20 October. They are part of a medical volunteer team, and in their spare time will be QRV on the HF bands SSB, digital modes and some CW. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. [TNX The Daily DX]
C6 - Rich, N0HJZ will be active as C6ARW from Grand Bahama (NA-080) on 22-29 October, including full time participation in the CQ WW DX SSB Contest. Outside the contest he will be QRV on 30, 17 and 12 metres, as well on CW and RTTY on other bands. QSL via N0HJZ, direct or bureau. [TNX N0HJZ]
CE0Y - CX2AM, CX2FR, CX3AN, CX3CE, CX4AAJ, CX4CR, CX8FB, CE0YHO, EA5HPX, EA7FTR and LU2NI will be active as XR0YY from Easter Island (SA-001) on 1-7 November. They plan to have three stations active on 160-6 metres CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL via EB7DX. Further information can be found at http://easterisland2013.com
CY0 - Rick AI5P is joining Gary VE1RGB and Murray WA4DAN for the CY0P

DXpedition (www.cy0dxpedition) to Sable Island (NA-063), which is
still scheduled for 1-11 October [425DXN 1143]. They will operate
CW, SSB and RTTY on 160-10 metres. QSL via VE1RGB, direct only.
"To save aircraft weight, logging will be on paper", he says, "and
therefore will not be uploaded to LoTW, Club Log or eQSL.
D4 - Babs, DL7AFS and Lot, DJ7ZG (www.qsl.net/dl7afs (http://www.qsl.net/dl7afs)) will be
active as
D44TXT from Ilha de Sao Tiago (AF-005) from 19 October to 7
November. They will be QRV on 80-10 metres SSB, RTTY, PSK31 and
PSK63. QSL via DL7AFS, direct or bureau.
FH - Target frequencies for the 3-17 October TO2TT expedition to
Mayotte (AF-027) [425DXN 1155] are:
CW 1835 3535 7031 10118 14035 18068 21035 24900 28035 50102
SSB - 3780 7103 - 14260 18155 21310 24975 28420 50123
RTTY - - - - 14087 - - - - -
QSL via I2YSB (direct), IK2CIO (bureau) and LoTW. Further details,
including real-time logsearch, QSLling details and OQRS for direct
cards, can be found at www.i2ysb.com/idt (http://www.i2ysb.com/idt). The pilot stations
will
be IK7JWY and (for 6m) IK0FTA; there will be a dedicated forum on
www.hamradioweb.org (http://www.hamradioweb.org).
FM - Thierry, F4BDG will be active as TO4FM from Martinique (NA-107) on
5-20 October. QSL via EA5GL, plus LoTW and eQSL.
FR - Stephane, F5UOW will be active from Reunion Island (AF-016) in
October-November. He will be signing FR/F5UOW on 31 October-2
November and again on 18-21 November, while on 3-17 November he
will use TO2R. He expects to operate mainly CW on 40-10 metres.
QSL via F5UOW, direct or bureau. [TNX Les Nouvelles DX]
FW - Jean-Jacques, TK5JJ will spend two years on Wallis Island (OC-054)
and will be active as FW5JJ on the HF bands, as well as on 6
metres and 2m EME. QSL via F5RXL, direct or bureau, and LoTW. [TNX
The Daily DX]
GU - A team from the Martello Tower Group (namely 2E0DBY, G0MBA, G6NHU,
G7HJK, M0GWE, M0YNK and M1EAK) will be active as GP0PKT from Herm
Island (EU-114) on 4-8 October. They will run three stations on
80-10 metres SSB and digital modes. QSL via G6NHU, direct or
bureau, and LoTW. Logsearch and further information at
http://martellotowergroup. com/gp0pkt/ (http://martellotowergroup.com/gp0pkt/)
HR - Dan HR2DMR plans to visit and operate CW and SSB as HQ4W from
Tigre Island (NA-060) on 17-20 October. "Operating time on the
island could be restricted, due to Honduran Navy exercises". QSL
via KD4POJ. [TNX DX World]
I - Alex IK8YFU, Domenico IW8RAO, Salvatore IZ8CZR, Maurizio IZ8SJA
and Nicola IZ8SKO will be active as ID9Y from Salina Island
(EU-017) on 3-6 October. QSL via IK8YFU (direct) or HB9FHZ
(bureau), LoTW and eQSL. Further information and logsearch on
www.calabriadxteam.it/salina/ (http://www.calabriadxteam.it/salina/)
I - Alessandro, IZ4AMS will be active as IZ4AMS/p from the island of
Tinetto (EU-083) on 12 October. He will operate QRP on 20 metres
SSB. QSL via home call, direct or bureau (OQRS on Club Log). [TNX

rsgbiota.org (http://rsgbiota.org)]
J8 - Gerd, DL7VOG will be active as J87GU from Union Island (NA-025) on 7-27 November, including entries in the WAE DX RTTY (9-10 November) and CQ WW DX CW contests. He will be QRV on 160-6 metres mainly CW and RTTY. QSL via home call, bureau preferred (OQRS on Club Log).
KH0 - Kazuo, JH8PHT will be active as AH0KT from Saipan (OC-086) on 3-7 October. He will operate digital modes, SSB and CW on the HF bands and 6 metres, and will also be QRV on 10 metres AM and FM (29600 kHz). QSL via JH8PHT and LoTW.
KH9 - Target frequencies for the K9W DXpedition to Wake Atoll [425DXN 1165] are:
CW 1826.5 3523 7023 10103 14023 18079 21023 24894 28023
SSB - 3790 7082 - 14185 18140 21285 24955 28485
RTTY - 3580 7035 10142 14080 18099 21080 24912 28080
Frequencies for 60m are 5405 (CW) and 5403.5 (SSB), while on 6m K9W will use 50107 (CW and SSB).
The team expects to depart Hawaii on 4 October and arrive on the 5th. The following day will be dedicated to station set-up. Plans are to be QRV with two CW and two SSB stations from 7 through 18 October (Wake time) and to upload logs to Club Log as time and Internet access allow.
An OQRS for direct an bureau cards will be activated on Club Log after the DXpedition ends. Traditional requests should be sent direct to Wake Island DXpedition, P.O. Box 5005, Lake Wylie SC 29710, USA, or via bureau to AA4NN. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW six months after the conclusion of the DXpedition. Bookmark www.wake2013.org (http://www.wake2013.org) for further information and updates. [TNX W8GEX]
KL7 - Operators from the KL7 NWR Amateur Radio Club and Moosehorn ARC celebrate National Wildlife Refuge Week and will be active as KL7NWR on 5 October. Activity will be on 15 and 20 metres SSB with some CW. QSL via KL2HD. [TNX KL2HD]
PJ4 - Look for PJ4/K1XM, PJ4/K4BAI, PJ4/KU8E, PJ4/W1MD and PJ4/W1UE to be active from Bonaire (SA-006) on 18-26 November. They will participate in the CQ WW DX CW Contest as PJ4A. QSL PJ4/K4BAI, PJ4/KU8E and PJ4A via K4BAI, others via home call. [TNX NG3K]
TA - Celebrating the 90th anniversary of the Republic of Turkey, the TCSWAT (TC Special Wireless Activity Team) will be active on all bands and modes as TC90TC on 14-31 October. They also plan to participate in the CQ WW DX SSB Contest as a Multi-Multi entry. QSL via TA1HZ (as usual with TCSWAT operations, all of the QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau). [TNX TA1HZ]
V2 - Bud, AA3B will be active as V26K from Antigua (NA-100) on 21-25 November, including an entry in the CQ WW DX CW Contest. This will be an all CW operation on the contest HF bands only. QSL via home call. [TNX AA3B]
VE - Mike, VY0BRR reports that his 23-27 September activity from Broughton Island (NA-130) [425DXN 1167] has been postponed to sometime in October. Keep an eye on http://vy0brr.jimdo.com/

VE - Robert, VE3RHE will use special callsign VX31763 from 6 October to
5 November for the 250th anniversary of the Royal Proclamation of
1763. QSL via home call, direct or bureau, and LoTW.
VK - The Hills Amateur Radio Group will be active as VI6WA100 from 1
October to 31 December to celebrate the centenary of organized
amateur radio in Western Australia. QSL via VK6IR (OQRS for direct
and bureau requests on http://www.ham-radio.biz/qsl- instructions/
(http://www.ham-radio.biz/qsl-instructions/))
W - Jacek, SP5APW plans to be active holiday style as W4/SP5APW from
five IOTA groups between 13 and 22 October as follows:
13 October Talbot NA-138
14-15 October Jekyll NA-058
16-17 October Okaloosa NA-142
17-18 October St. George NA-085
20-22 October Cedar Key NA-076
He will operate SSB on 20, 15 and 10 metres, and he might also give
digital modes a try on 40 metres. QSL via home call, direct or
bureau. See http://na-142.blogspot.com/ for possible updates.
XE - Special event station XE3FMRE will be active on 2-7 October during
the Federacion Mexicana de Radioexperimentadores' national
convention to be held in Cancun. Activity will be on 80-6 metres
SSB, CW, RTTY, PSK31 and probably WSJT. QSL via XE3RCC.
XV - Mike, N0ODK will be active as XV4MN from Phu Quoc Island (AS-128)
on 24-29 October, including an entry in the CQ WW DX SSB Contest.
On 17-23 October and again on 30 October-2 November he will be QRV
as 3W2DK from mainland Vietnam. He will be QRV on 20, 17, 15 and
10 metres. QSL via N0ODK, direct or bureau (Mike is a QSL card
collector, so if you work him and don't need his card, send one
anyway). [TNX N0ODK]

PACIFIC TOUR ---> Hrane YT1AD (N9YU), Dragos YU1AKV, Vasiliy RW4NW, Sergey
RZ3FW (N7AFW) and David WD5COV will visit Hawaii, Samoa, American Samoa,
Fiji and Rotuma between mid November and early December. This will be a
reconnaissance trip in preparation for a future DXpedition.
13-15 November Hawaii KH6/N9YU, KH6/WD5COV, KH6/N7AFW
16-17 November Samoa 5W7A or 5W6A, 5W0OV, 5W0FW, 5W0NW
18-19 November Am. Samoa KH8/N9YU, KH8/WD5COV, KH8/N7AFW
20-22 November Fiji 3D2AD, 3D2OV, 3D2FW, 3D2NW
22-29 November Rotuma 3D2R
29 November-4 December Fiji 3D2AD, 3D2OV, 3D2FW, 3D2NW
Activity from Rotuma will include a m/S or M/2 emtry in the CQ WW DX CW
Contest. QSL via YT1AD (for 3D2AD, 3D2R, 5W7A or 5W6A, KH6/N9YU and
KH8/N9YU), via WD5COV (for 3D2OV, 5W0OV, KH6/WD5COV and KH8/WD5COV), via
RZ3FW (for 3D2FW, 5W0FW, KH6/N7AFW and KH8/N7AFW), via RW4NW (for 3D2NW and
5W0NW). [TNX YT3W]

CQ WW RTTY DX CONTEST ---> This year's event will run from 00.00 UTC on 28
September through 24.00 UTC on the 29th (rules at www.cqwwrtty.com
(http://www.cqwwrtty.com)). Please
Visit www.ng3k.com/Misc/cqrz2013. html (http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/cqrz2013.html) for the
Announced Operations listing

maintained by Bill NG3K. The following stations are expected to participate:

ZONE	CALL	CATEGORY	COUNTRY	QSL VIA
02	VE2CSI	M/2	Canada	M0URX
05	VP9I	M/?	Bermuda	WW3S
07	V31WI	SO	Belize	WI9WI
07	YS1/NP3J	SO LP	El Salvador	EA5GL
08	PJ4/G3TXF	SO	Bonaire	G3TXF
09	HK1NA	M/M	Colombia	K6PIM
12	CE1RPW	SOSB 15m	Chile	CE1RPW
14	EI/M5RIC	SOAB HP	Ireland	M0OXO
14	LX/OR5M	M/S HP	Luxembourg	ON4CP
14	LX7I	M/2	Luxembourg	LX2A
14	MJ5Z	SOAB LP	Jersey	M0CFW
14	TM1A	M/S	France	F6KOP
15	4O/HG3IPA	SO	Montenegro	HA3JB
15	ES9C	M/M	Estonia	LotW
15	IQ9UI	M/M	Sicily	IT9CHU
15	IS0/YL7A	SOSB 15m	Sardinia	YL7A
15	OH5Z	M/S	Finland	LotW
15	OL3A	M/S	Czech Republic	OK1MR
16	UU7J	SOAB HP	Ukraine	LoTW
20	SW9XB	SOSB 15m	Crete	DJ9XB
24	BV60V	M/M	Taiwan	qrz.com (http://qrz.com)
31	3D2RA		Rotuma	LZ2HM
32	ZL3X	M/2	New Zealand	ZL3PAH
32	ZM1A	M/?	New Zealand	ZL3CW
33	CR3A	M/?	Madeira	EA5GL
33	CR3L	M/M	Madeira	DJ6QT
40	TF2R	M/S	Iceland	TF3AO

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K3FN CUSTOM QSL SERVICE ---> The DX QSL Service run by Les Bannon, WF5E will suspend operations on 31 October [425DXN 1168]. Effective 1 November, it will be taken over by Jim Mackey, K3FN under the new name of "The K3FN Custom QSL Service". Look for the details to be published on www.airmailpostage.com/ qslservice.html (http://www.airmailpostage.com/qslservice.html) in the coming weeks. [TNX QRZ DX]

MELLISH REEF 2014 ---> After their successful operation from Campbell Island in December 2012, members of the ZL9HR team and additional operators have announced their intention to be active from Mellish Reef (requested callsign VK9MT) between late March and early April 2014. Plans are for a multi-national team to be QRV for 12 days, using six stations with linear amplifiers and vertical antennas. Currently signed up for the project are

Pista HA5AO, George HA5UK, Dave K3EL, Gene K5GS, Glenn KE4KY, Luke VK3HJ and Les W2LK. QSL via M0URX. The organizers estimate a budget in the range of USD 110,000. "We will exercise full financial transparency in all aspects of the project", they say, "When the books are closed, clubs and foundations that supported the project will receive a financial accounting". Bookmark http://vk9mt.com/ for further information, updates and donations. [TNX K5GS]

T33A BLOG ---> This is the place to be for up to the minute news regarding the 5-18 November T33A DXpedition to Banaba Island [425DXN 1153]. "We will post information before, during and after the actual DXpedition radio operations", the team says,. "It will be as 'live' as possible". Bookmark http://banaba2013.wordpress. com/ (http://banaba2013.wordpress.com/) as "you will not see any fresher news and
information than what you will see here".

WRTC2014 ---> WRTC2014, Inc., host of the 2014 World Radiosport Team Championship (www.wrtc2014.org (http://www.wrtc2014.org)), is proud to announce the operators that
have been invited to form teams for the competition to be held in July 2014. In addition to the 51 Team Leaders who emerged from the qualifying process, the announcement includes two Wild Card selections, a Youth team, and the defending champion from WRTC2010:

Area	Team Leader	Name
AF	3V/KF5EYY	Achraf Chaabane
AS1	R9DX	Vadim Ovsyannikov
AS2	RC9O	Anatoly Polevik
AS3	5B4WN	Marios Nicolaou
AS4	BA4ALC	Jie Zheng
AS5	JH5GHM	Katsuhiro "Don" Kondou
EU1	CT1ILT	Filipe Monteiro Lopes
EU1	F8DBF	Sebastien Le Gall
EU1	M0CFW	Kazunori Watanabe
EU1	G0CKV	Olof Lundberg
EU1	F4DXW	Stephane Van Langhenhoven
EU2	LX2A	Philippe Lutty
EU2	IK2NCJ	Luca Aliprandi
EU2	DJ5MW	Manfred Wolf
EU2	IK1HJS	Carlo De Mari
EU2	DL1QQ	Sandy Raeker
EU3	ES5TV	Tonno Vahk
EU3	OH2UA	Toni Linden
EU3	LY9A	Gediminas Lucinskas
EU3	YL1ZF	Kaspars Uztics
EU4	OE3DIA	Ivan Dobrocky
EU4	OM2VL	Vegh Laszlo
EU4	OM3BH	Rastislav Hrnko
EU4	OE2VEL	Wolfgang "Wolf" Klier
EU4	S50A	Tine Brajnik
EU5	E77DX	Emir "Braco" Memic

EU5 UU4JMG Andriy Kotovsky
EU5 4O3A Ranko Boca
EU5 UR0MC Roman Tkachenko
EU5 9A6XX Hrvoje Horvat
EU6 RL3FT Iurii Khmelenko
EU6 RX3APM Sergey Dyachenko
EU6 UA3DPX Andrey Melanin
NA1 K1LZ Krassimir Petkov
NA2 W2RE Ray Higgins
NA3 KE3X Ken Low
NA4E NN3W Richard DiDonna
NA4W AD4Z Julio Henriquez
NA5 N5DX Kevin Stockton
NA6 N6MJ Daniel Craig
NA6 K6AM John Barcroft
NA7 K7RL Mitch Mason
NA8 K8MR Jim Stahl
NA9 W9RE Michael Wetzel
NA10 KU1CW Alex Tkatch
NA11 VY2ZM Jeffrey Briggs
NA12 VE7CC Lee Sawkins
NA13 K9VV Fred Kleber
OC KH6ND Michael Gibson
SA1 PY2YU Hamilton Oliveira Martins
SA2 CX6VM Jorge Diez
WILD LZ4AX Alexander Avramov
WILD DK6XZ Suad Zukic
YOUTH IZ1LBG Filippo Vairo
CHAMP RW1A Vladimir Aksenov
Each Team Leader will select one Team Mate for the competition. Team Leaders must accept their invitation to WRTC2014 and nominate their Team Mate by October 15, 2013. If a Team Leader is unable to accept, the invitation will go to the next highest qualifying applicant from the selection area.
Once all of the Team Leader invitations are accepted, there will only be one other way to gain entrance to the WRTC2014 competition - through a Team Sponsorship. A Team Sponsor donation earns the right to select a team. Only two Team Sponsorships are currently available. Contact Doug, K1DG (k1dg[@]wrtc2014.org (http://wrtc2014.org)) or Randy, K5ZD (k5zd[@]wrtc2014.org (http://wrtc2014.org)) for details.
Sponsored Teams will be announced at a later date.

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CY0, SABLE ISLAND (Update/Dates). The following was posted September 26th [edited]: "As of today, 26th September, a potential 'show-stopper' regarding total DXpedition costs nearly halted the group in its tracks, one of them (Murray) being at the top of a 2,000 foot tower at the time. Fortunately, through the cooperation of a couple of Canadian government agencies (Environment Canada and Parks Canada), a very suitable arrangement was been made that resolved the financial barriers to going to Sable on 30th September. The only change to the trip now is its duration. Rather than returning on 11th October, for a number of safety (wx) and cost consider-ations, the return date will be on either 7th, 8th, or 9th October.
All required gear has been mustered except for the personal hand luggage that Murray and Rick, who are making their ways separately from NC and NM, respectively, will be bringing. Early weight estimates show us to be roughly 50-75 pounds below the 1,400 pound safety limit.
All freight for the Britten-Norman-Island will be transported to the departure point by Rick and me, weighed, then loaded on the aircraft on Sunday night in time for an early departure on Monday morning.
Operation will be on 160M ☐ 10M on CW and SSB. Unfortunately, due to equipment limitations, there will be no RTTY operation.
On a lighter note, Rick, AI5P, was making threatening noises about staying home if I could not locate Dr. Pepper soda for him to have on Sable. The XYL here, Bev, finally found a case on sale for $3 and change, a near give-away because Canadians won☐t drink the wretched stuff.
A note only to small station owners (little pistols). Please do not ignore trying to work us just because propagation conditions seem to provide discouraging numbers. We conducted a ☐test☐ with a station nearly identical to one of the ones going to CY0P, using 100 CW and wires, during a ten-day period in September. We chose the calendar period that represented what we should see 27 days later in October on Sable. Playing in the CQ Marathon competition but being only moderately active, the test station

worked 45 countries in 24 CQ Zones. Contacts were made from Halifax to all points of the globe. The largest quantity and most impressive contacts were on 17M and included ASIA, and PAC. Since listening conditions should be better on CY0 in all respects than where the test was conducted, this empirical data suggests that if you can hear us, then you should try to work CY0P no matter how weak you think your signal may be. One of the CY0P CW operators is a small-station operator himself and has a distinct fondness for his 100W and wire counterparts elsewhere in the world, and he will try very hard to work the deserving typical small-time operator with limited station resources. He also likes the QRP copy challenge.
Our long wait and much planning is almost over. Wish us good weather and safety in our flight from the mainland of Canada to Sable Island. If all goes well, we should be QRV, late Monday in the early evening.
73, Gary, VE1RGB"

IOTA NEWS (Update). Members of the Calabria DX Team will be active as ID9Y from Salina Island (IIA E-015, MIA MI-083, WLOTA 1005, WWFF IFF-677), Eolie Islands (EU-017), between October 3-6th. They will also activate the following lighthouses: Capo Faro (WAIL SI-035, ARLHS ITA-020, WW Loc. JM78KN) and Punta Lingua (WAIL SI-040, ARLHS ITA-250, WW Loc. JM78KM). Activity will be on all HF bands, plus 6 and 2 meters. Operators mentioned are Alex/IK8YFU, Domenico/IW8RAO, Sal/IZ8CZR, Maurizio/IZ8JSJA and Nicola/ IZ8SKO. QSL via IK8YFI direct. QSL via the Bureau to HB9FHZ. Also, QSL via LoTW or eQSL. Visit their Web page at:
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CY0, SABLE ISLAND (Update/Dates). The following was posted September 26th [edited]: "As of today, 26th September, a potential 'show-stopper' regarding total DXpedition costs nearly halted the group in its tracks, one of them (Murray) being at the top of a 2,000 foot tower at the time. Fortunately, through the cooperation of a couple of Canadian government agencies (Environment Canada and Parks Canada), a very suitable arrangement was been made that resolved the financial barriers to going to Sable on 30th September. The only change to the trip now is its duration. Rather than returning on 11th October, for a number of safety (wx) and cost consider-ations, the return date will be on either 7th, 8th, or 9th October.
All required gear has been mustered except for the personal hand luggage that Murray and Rick, who are making their ways separately from NC and NM, respectively, will be bringing. Early weight estimates show us to be roughly 50-75 pounds below the 1,400 pound safety limit.
All freight for the Britten-Norman-Island will be transported to the departure point by Rick and me, weighed, then loaded on the aircraft on Sunday night in time for an early departure on Monday morning.
Operation will be on 160M ☐ 10M on CW and SSB. Unfortunately, due to equipment limitations, there will be no RTTY operation.
On a lighter note, Rick, AI5P, was making threatening noises about staying home if I could not locate Dr. Pepper soda for him to have on Sable. The XYL here, Bev, finally found a case on sale for $3 and change, a near give-away because Canadians won☐t drink the wretched stuff.
A note only to small station owners (little pistols). Please do not ignore trying to work us just because propagation conditions seem to provide discouraging numbers. We conducted a ☐test☐ with a station nearly identical to one of the ones going to CY0P, using 100 CW and wires, during a ten-day period in September. We chose the calendar period that represented what we should see 27 days later in October on Sable. Playing in the CQ Marathon competition but being only moderately active, the test station

worked 45 countries in 24 CQ Zones. Contacts were made from Halifax to all points of the globe. The largest quantity and most impressive contacts were on 17M and included ASIA, and PAC. Since listening conditions should be better on CY0 in all respects than where the test was conducted, this empirical data suggests that if you can hear us, then you should try to work CY0P no matter how weak you think your signal may be. One of the CY0P CW operators is a small-station operator himself and has a distinct fondness for his 100W and wire counterparts elsewhere in the world, and he will try very hard to work the deserving typical small-time operator with limited station resources. He also likes the QRP copy challenge.
Our long wait and much planning is almost over. Wish us good weather and safety in our flight from the mainland of Canada to Sable Island. If all goes well, we should be QRV, late Monday in the early evening.
73, Gary, VE1RGB"

IOTA NEWS (Update). Members of the Calabria DX Team will be active as ID9Y from Salina Island (IIA E-015, MIA MI-083, WLOTA 1005, WWFF IFF-677), Eolie Islands (EU-017), between October 3-6th. They will also activate the following lighthouses: Capo Faro (WAIL SI-035, ARLHS ITA-020, WW Loc. JM78KN) and Punta Lingua (WAIL SI-040, ARLHS ITA-250, WW Loc. JM78KM). Activity will be on all HF bands, plus 6 and 2 meters. Operators mentioned are Alex/IK8YFU, Domenico/IW8RAO, Sal/IZ8CZR, Maurizio/IZ8JSJA and Nicola/IZ8SKO. QSL via IK8YFI direct. QSL via the Bureau to HB9FHZ. Also, QSL via LoTW or eQSL. Visit their Web page at:
http://www.calabriadxteam.it/salina

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21682. ARLP039 Propagation de K7RA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-09-27 21:28:16 UTC
From: jjreisert@...
Topic: 6355 Message: 21682

SB PROP @ ARL $ARLP039
ARLP039 Propagation de K7RA

ZCZC AP39
QST de W1AW
Propagation Forecast Bulletin 39 ARLP039
>From Tad Cook, K7RA
Seattle, WA September 27, 2013
To all radio amateurs

SB PROP ARL ARLP039
ARLP039 Propagation de K7RA

Our sun is still very quiet, but solar flux and sunspot numbers were higher this week than last. Average daily sunspot numbers rose from 42.3 to 75.6, and average daily solar flux rose from 95.3 to 109.6. There were no big geomagnetic events this week.

Predicted solar flux is 110 on September 27 through October 2, then 105, 100, 95, 100, 105 and 100 on October 3-8, 95 on October 9-10, then 100, 105 and 100 on October 11-13, 95 on October 14-15, and all the way down to 90 on October 16-19.

Predicted planetary A index is 5 on September 27-28, then 8, 10, 12 and 8 on September 29 through October 2, 5 on October 3-9, 8 on October 10-11, 5 on October 12-13, then 8, 10 and 8 on October 14-16, and 5 on October 17-19. This is unchanged from the forecast in Thursday's ARRL Letter.

F.K. Janda, OK1HH of the Czech Propagation Interest Group predicts active to disturbed conditions September 27, quiet to active September 28, mostly quiet September 29, quiet on September 30, quiet to active October 1, quiet October 2-5, quiet to unsettled October 6-7, mostly quiet October 8, back to active to disturbed conditions October 9, as it was on the first day of this forecast.

David Moore, a shortwave listener in Moro Bay, California is a frequent contributor here, and sends a New York Times article titled "The Sun That Did Not Roar", about our current quiet sun. In reference to a weak solar event last week, it characterized a CME as what "seemed like the halfhearted effort of a slacker star." See it at http://nyti.ms/1fd48GT .

But 160 meter operators are not despairing a dearth of solar activity to come, as more solar activity correlates with higher geomagnetic activity, and they like things nice and quiet.

Often the declining years of a solar cycle are marked by heightened geomagnetic activity (see http://www.spacew.com/gic/guidance.pdf for a treatise on this) and I can recall times during the decline of cycle 22 in the 1990s when it seemed like geomagnetic disturbances were constant. Although the record in its most easily accessible form doesn't go back as far as we would like, check out this geomagnetic index record from 1994:

http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/ftpdir/indices/old_indices/1994_DGD.txt

Check out February 5-15, February 21-22, March 3, March 7-21, April 1-18 (especially April 17, with a huge planetary A index of 130!), May 1-17, May 28-31, Jun 25 to July 7, September 7-10, October 3-7, 23-24, and 29-31, and November 26-27. Note the very large planetary A index values throughout the year, and this represents week after week buffeted by high absorption and even radio blackouts. As if this wasn’t bad enough in the middle latitudes, I recall Vince Van Der Hyde, K7VV was living in Alaska at the time (possibly near the 65th parallel) and told me later that his favorite HF bands were unusable for months at a time, due to the concentration of geomagnetic energy toward the poles.

In the table above, check out the College A index, which is measured near Fairbanks at the University of Alaska. It is in the middle column. See all those asterisks where there should be numerals? Those are periods when the magnetometer was unusable due to being swamped with too much energy from a coronal mass ejection, for instance. Now compare the numbers in 1994 to more recent readings:

http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/ftpdir/indices/old_indices/2012_DGD.txt

http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/ftpdir/latest/DGD.txt

There are a few relatively high numbers, but nothing like what we observed and sometimes suffered with two decades ago.

A glance at this graph shows how far down we were on cycle 22 during 1994:

http://standeyo.com/Geo_Solar/Solar_Cycles_22_23/cycle_22_review_01.gif

By the way, the exact location for the magnetometer which generates the college A and K index is at 64.8742 degrees North latitude and 147.8597 degrees West longitude, roughly one half mile northeast of Smith Lake, 400 yards south of Yankovich Road, and one half mile east of Miller Hill Road in Fairbanks. This is about 117 miles or 188 km south of the Arctic Circle.

You can see photos of the geomagnetic observatory at http://geomag.usgs.gov/monitoring/observatories/college/#photos and also at http://www.bing.com/maps/default.aspx?cp=64.8742|-147.8597style=hlvl=17

Note on the overhead view on Bing Maps you can zoom in, and by clicking on Aerial, then the Bird's Eye dropdown you can see highly detailed images from four different directions. Just click on the arrows outside the compass rose in the upper right to see the observatory from a point of view in each direction.

Dave Greer, N4KZ of Frankfort, Kentucky wrote about 10 meter openings on the autumnal equinox, last Sunday.

"Ten meters was open to southern Europe and South Africa on the morning of September 22, the first day of fall. For the past couple of weeks, various European operators had been telling me on lower bands after I got home from work that 10 meters had been open to the States earlier in the day. But I was at work in each instance and missed out. So I made an effort on Sept. 22 to be on the band and it didn't disappoint. I copied numerous stations but primarily they were from France and Spain. I copied a British station but he was weak. I worked S58WW at 1510 UTC and he had a good signal but not as strong as others. CU7MD from Azores was copied too but with several prior QSOs in our logs, I let others work him. ZS3Y from South Africa had a big signal as did EA8YB in the Canary Islands. But I passed on them as well because of our previous QSOs on the band."

"But my most interesting QSO on Sept. 22 was with F4DSD in France. I think they call this the 10-meter deja vu mode of propagation because Mario and I had worked exactly one year earlier. And I do mean almost exactly a year ago. Our two QSOs, both on 10 meters on Sept. 22, occurred in 2012 and again in 2013 and were only 12 minutes apart in time and only 5 KHz apart in frequency. Now that really is deja vu!"

Thanks, Dave. That really must have been an odd feeling and quite a fun topic of conversation.

You may be surprised to hear of 10 meter openings given the paucity of sunspots, but given seasonal variations, right around the equinox is the ideal time. Run a projection with a program such as W6ELprop from Dave's location (38.205 deg N, 84.896 deg W) to France, for instance, and on September 22 with low sunspot or solar flux numbers, we can see some possibilities for openings around 1530-2100 UTC, and especially between 1900-2030 UTC. But change the date back or forward a month or two, and the opening disappears.

More mail on 10 meters, from Rol Anders, K3RA in Elkridge, Maryland: "Ten has been opening to EU from Maryland more and more, starting in mid September. I worked IW1CHX on September 11 at 1438 UTC on CW. The KD4D team at N3HBX worked 54 EU stations on Sunday of the WAE (Worked All Europe DX Contest) on September 15. Then on September 17 I ran about 15 EU stations between 1600 and 1700 UTC. I was not on for several days, but on September 23 I worked about 25 EU stations on ten meters from 1440-1520 UTC. On September 24 I worked about a dozen EU's in the hour starting at 1640 UTC. Then on September 25 I worked about 100 EU stations between 1300-1600 UTC. On September 26

I worked about 125 EU between 1200-1440 UTC. Many Eastern Europeans and Russians, with occasional Asiatic Russian and Middle-East stations calling in. Also on September 26, with such good conditions in the morning, I checked ten meters for JA's before my sunset, and worked JM7OLW. So, the fall ten meter season is well underway. Station is a 3 element SteppIR at 50 feet, and about 900 watts out."

Great report, Rol. And a little bit of internet searching shows JM7OLW may have been using his 7 element 10 meter Yagi at 100 feet. That must help. Check out the evidence and maybe guess which antenna at http://www.geocities.jp/jm7olw_suke/ . I wouldn't be surprised if he were using a half-wave dipole on his roof.

At the last minute, early Friday, we received this VHF report from Lawrence, GJ3RAX, in Jersey, one of the Channel Islands. He wrote, "The VHF bands over here were a bit more interesting this week. A tropo opening had been predicted due to the high pressure region and that happened on Monday. I was not able to spend very much time on the radio but I was on for an hour or so during the early afternoon and again from 11:30 pm at night. My afternoon QSOs were into Germany at distances of between 600 and 700 miles. Most were on 2 m and one on 70 cm. The later QSOs got me into Germany again on 2 m and 70 cm and also Switzerland on both bands which was about 440 miles. I tried with some of them on 23 cm but nothing was heard this time."

"One of my friends in Guernsey said that he had a large pileup on 23 cm with quite a lot of countries worked. He has a tower with much higher gain antennas than my log periodic and a better take-off to the east where I am looking at the local school building which is about 100 yards away."

"One of the members of the VHF and UHF group said that he was too far north, being in Scotland, to be able to take advantage of that opening which seemed to be mostly at my latitude."

"On Tuesday I was not hearing anything on those bands. During the evening there was an RSGB contest on 6 m which ran from 8 pm to 10:30 pm BST. Normally I would be lucky to get a couple of QSOs but, after starting late at 9 pm, I had 17 QSOs. Most were to England with one GW, one GJ and two in GU. The best distance was 299 miles which is normally not a good distance for me on 6 m. Typical 6 m QSOs are much closer or much more distant during the Sporadic E season but that is now over."

"I am anticipating more and better tropo openings during the next month as I used to find them best during October each year. Last year when I had just got back on those bands in November I caught one opening when I worked into Germany on 2 m, 70 cm and 23 cm."

This weekend is the CQ World Wide RTTY DX Contest. They have a nice countdown clock along with rules at http://www.cqwwrtty.com/. As I

write this early Friday morning, the clock shows the contest starts in 16 hours.

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service at http://arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals. For an explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin, see http://arrl.org/the-sun-the-earth-the-ionosphere. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at http://arrl.org/w1aw-bulletins-archive-propagation. More good information and tutorials on propagation are at http://k9la.us/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://arrl.org/propagation.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of ARRL bulletins are at http://arrl.org/bulletins.

Sunspot numbers for September 19 through 25 were 85, 85, 79, 98, 65, 56, and 61, with a mean of 75.6. 10.7 cm flux was 107.9, 108.8, 110.3, 111.2, 107.8, 110.2, and 111.1, with a mean of 109.6. Estimated planetary A indices were 11, 6, 7, 5, 5, 9, and 4, with a mean of 6.7. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 14, 5, 8, 6, 4, 9, and 4, with a mean of 7.1.
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21683. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-09-28 14:01:03 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21683

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21684. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-09-28 15:16:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21684

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:Issued: 2013 Sep 28 1447 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30928
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 28 Sep 2013, 1409UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 28 Sep 2013 until 30 Sep 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Quiet conditions (<50% probability of C-class flares)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 28 Sep 2013 10CM FLUX: 108 / AP: 006
PREDICTIONS FOR 29 Sep 2013 10CM FLUX: 106 / AP: 006
PREDICTIONS FOR 30 Sep 2013 10CM FLUX: 106 / AP: 006
COMMENT: X-ray background radiation is in the B-level. No C-flares occurr=
ed. Catania
sunspot group 83/NOAA AR 1850 has the potential of producing a C-flare. I=
t
is located between 30=B0 and 45=B0 longitude. A large filament (longitu=
dinal,
between 5=B0 and 30=B0) passed the central meridian. Up to now, it seems =
to be
stable. Two coronal holes (CH) are visible on the solar disk: a small
northern CH (between 35=B0 and 50=B0 latitude, 20=B0 wide) crossed the ce=
ntral
meridian on September 27 and a small equatorial CH (between 5=B0S and 5=B0=
N,
10=B0 wide) that crosses the central meridian today. Unsettled geomagnet=
ic
conditions are possible from October 1-2. The geomagnetic conditions are
quiet at the moment.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 036, BASED ON 15 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 27 Sep 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 073
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 108
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 005
AK WINGST : 001
ESTIMATED AP : 001
ESTIMATED ISN : 044, BASED ON 29 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES=20
NONE
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END
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21685. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-09-29 14:01:03 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21685

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:Issued: 2013 Sep 29 1231 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30929
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 29 Sep 2013, 1209UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 29 Sep 2013 until 01 Oct 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=3D50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 29 Sep 2013 10CM FLUX: 105 / AP: 005
PREDICTIONS FOR 30 Sep 2013 10CM FLUX: 106 / AP: 011
PREDICTIONS FOR 01 Oct 2013 10CM FLUX: 103 / AP: 008
COMMENT: Solar activity has slightly increased: both NOAA AR 1853/Catania=
90 and
NOAA AR 1850/Catania 83 produced a C1.6 flare. NOAA AR 1853/Catania 90 is
ready to rotate behind the west limb, NOAA AR 1850/Catania 83 is located =
in
the longitudinal segment between 45=B0 and 60=B0. NOAA AR 1853/Catania 9=
0 has
the highest probability producing C-flares. NOAA AR 1854 (near the east
limb) is new on the solar disk and is another candidate to produce
C-flares, although with a lower probability. We predicted eruptive
conditions, i.e. more than 50% probability for C-flares. The filament, n=
ow
situated between 15=B0 and 30=B0 longitude is still stable. The geoma=
gnetic
conditions are quiet. Tomorrow, unsettled conditions are possible when th=
e
equatorial coronal hole becomes geoeffective.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 031, BASED ON 14 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 28 Sep 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 106
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 005
AK WINGST : 001
ESTIMATED AP : 001
ESTIMATED ISN : 037, BASED ON 19 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES=20
NONE
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END
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21686. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-09-30 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21686

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:Issued: 2013 Sep 30 1259 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 30930
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 30 Sep 2013, 1209UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 30 Sep 2013 until 02 Oct 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Quiet conditions (<50% probability of C-class flares)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Proton event in progress (>10 MeV)
PREDICTIONS FOR 30 Sep 2013 10CM FLUX: 103 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 01 Oct 2013 10CM FLUX: 097 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 02 Oct 2013 10CM FLUX: 097 / AP: 007
COMMENT: A yet unnumbered, flux emerging region in the South-Eastern solar quadrant
might develop flaring potential in the coming days. A large filament in
the solar north-western hemisphere erupted Sunday evening around 21:45UT.
The event was associated with a long duration C1.2 flare peaking at 23:39.
The GOES proton flux level has crossed the event threshold (> 10 pfu for
10 MeV). LASCO observed a full-halo CME. In STEREO-B Cor2, the plane-of the
sky speed is of the order of 600km/s. In the coming 3 days, we expect
quiet geomagnetic conditions. The halo-CME of midnight Sept 29/30 is
expected to arrive midnight October 2/3.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 037, BASED ON 17 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 29 Sep 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 103
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 007
AK WINGST : 003
ESTIMATED AP : 003
ESTIMATED ISN : 032, BASED ON 26 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21687. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-10-01 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21687

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:Issued: 2013 Oct 01 1251 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 31001
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 01 Oct 2013, 1210UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 01 Oct 2013 until 03 Oct 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Quiet conditions (<50% probability of C-class flares)
GEOMAGNETISM : Minor storm expected (A>=30 or K=5)
SOLAR PROTONS : Proton event in progress (>10 MeV)
PREDICTIONS FOR 01 Oct 2013 10CM FLUX: 106 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 02 Oct 2013 10CM FLUX: 106 / AP: 019
PREDICTIONS FOR 03 Oct 2013 10CM FLUX: 106 / AP: 026
COMMENT: The flaring probability is low. Only the newly emerging active regions on
East limb and and NOAA AR 1855 have a small chance for a C-class flare.
NOAA AR 1855 (now at central meridian, northern hemisphere) is a new flux
emerging region and has developed a transequatorial connection with an
old decaying active region in the Northern hemisphere. The arrival of the
CME of midnight Sept 29/30 is still expected for midnight Oct 2/3 with an
uncertainty range of +/- 6 hours. The CME is expected to trigger a minor
geomagnetic storm (Kp=5) early Oct 3. Meanwhile the 10 MeV proton levels
are still above the event threshold as a consequence of the same event.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 032, BASED ON 11 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 30 Sep 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 105
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 003
AK WINGST : 002
ESTIMATED AP : 002
ESTIMATED ISN : ///, BASED ON /// STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21688. Wake Ise

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-10-02 03:02:55 UTC
From: dale cole
Topic: 21688 Message: 21688

I'm not sure I am getting all the posts, but info on site says operation is on "hold" until government shutdown has ended.
Dale K8TS

(If I am posting previous postings please disregard)

21689. Posts

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-10-02 03:56:39 UTC
From: dchamguy@att.net
Topic: 21689 Message: 21689

I sent a message to the group a little over a half-hour ago, and it has yet to appear in my mail box. I can go over to the groups page and find it, but it is not showing in my personal box.

This being sent from the groups page.

Any ideas anyone?

Dale Cole K8TS
dchamguy at att dot net

(I had an older email of k9ttt@..., but that is no longer in service since changeing carriers.)

21690. monteritor (sp)?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-10-02 04:10:21 UTC
From: dchamguy@att.net
Topic: 21690 Message: 21690

Some of my messages are comming right through, but others never show up in my personal mailbox at att.net

Last one about this question was sent within about 15 minutes ago. My one on the current status of Wake Island never showed up.
Currently, I am writing messages from yahoogroups rather from my email address of <dchamguy@...
Dale K8TS

21691. Re: [DX-IS] Posts

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-10-02 04:24:56 UTC
From: Radio K0HB
Topic: 21689 Message: 21691
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

As we used to say in Navy communications:

“The problem is leaving here OK.”

From: dchamguy@...
Sent: Wednesday, October 02, 2013 3:56 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] Posts

I sent a message to the group a little over a half-hour ago, and it has yet to appear in my mail box. I can go over to the groups page and find it, but it is not showing in my personal box.

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Any ideas anyone?

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dchamguy at att dot net

(I had an older email of k9ttt@..., but that is no longer in service since changeing carriers.)

21692. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-10-02 14:01:03 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21692

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:Issued: 2013 Oct 02 1241 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 31002
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 02 Oct 2013, 1210UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 02 Oct 2013 until 04 Oct 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Quiet conditions (<50% probability of C-class flares)
GEOMAGNETISM : Major magstorm expected (A>=50 or K>=6)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 02 Oct 2013 10CM FLUX: 107 / AP: 034
PREDICTIONS FOR 03 Oct 2013 10CM FLUX: 107 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 04 Oct 2013 10CM FLUX: 107 / AP: 007
COMMENT: Solar activity is low, a small chance for C-class flaring can come from
NOAA AR 1555/Cat 91 or from the newly emerging active regions on the East
limb (Cat 93 and Cat 94). This morning from 01:00 UT onwards, the ACE
spacecraft recorded a small jump in the solar wind speed, up to 600 km/s,
and a gradual increase in the solar wind density. Together with Southward
fluctuating IMF, this had generated a Kp=6 geomagnetic storm. The event is
probably a consequence of the halo CME that left the Sun on midnight Sept
29/30, which arrived earlier than expected. By now, the IMF is back
steadily Northward so we expect the worst of the storm has passed. Later
today we expect a return to quiet geomagnetic conditions.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 042, BASED ON 09 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 01 Oct 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 042
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 107
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 036
AK WINGST : 006
ESTIMATED AP : 005
ESTIMATED ISN : 033, BASED ON 15 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
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21693. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-10-03 14:01:04 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21693

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21694. Report SIDC Ursigram

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# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
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SIDC URSIGRAM 31003
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 03 Oct 2013, 2010UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 03 Oct 2013 until 05 Oct 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Quiet conditions (<50% probability of C-class flares)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Proton event in progress (>10 MeV)
PREDICTIONS FOR 03 Oct 2013 10CM FLUX: 108 / AP: 008
PREDICTIONS FOR 04 Oct 2013 10CM FLUX: 108 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 05 Oct 2013 10CM FLUX: 108 / AP: 007
COMMENT: A long duration C1.5-flare occurred yesterday evening (Oct 2, 23:29 UT)
from behind the Solar North-West limb. The event triggered a CME, which is
not Earth directed. We forecast a 50% chance for continued C-class flaring,
this time from NOAA AR 1855 and AR 1856. The proton flux levels have
dropped below event threshold. Quiet geomagnetic conditions are expected.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 047, BASED ON 16 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 02 Oct 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 059
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 108
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 045
AK WINGST : 048
ESTIMATED AP : 050
ESTIMATED ISN : 044, BASED ON 17 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21695. ARLD040 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-10-03 22:44:49 UTC
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Topic: 6451 Message: 21695

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ARLD040 DX news

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DX Bulletin 40 ARLD040
>From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT October 3, 2013
To all radio amateurs

SB DX ARL ARLD040
ARLD040 DX news

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by K5JP, NC1L, QRZ DX, the OPDX Bulletin, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, DXNL, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

NEPAL, 9N. Pekka, OH2YY is QRV as 9N2YY until October 5. Activity is during his free time during the evening and night hours on 17, 15 and 12 meters. QSL to home call. In addition, Fred, DL8BF is QRV as 9N7BF until October 12. Activity is on 40, 20, 15 and 10 meters using QRP power. QSL to home call.

BHUTAN, A5. After his Nepal activity, Pekka, OH2YY will be QRV as A52YY from October 6 to 10. Activity will be on 40 to 10 meters. QSL to home call.

PHILIPPINES, DU. Al, DU1KA is now QRV from Luzon, IOTA OC-042. Activity is generally between 2200 to 0200z, and 0800 to 1200z, on 20 to 6 meters using mainly CW. He will soon be active on 80, 40 and 30 meters. QSL via NR6M.

MAYOTTE, FH. A large group of operators are QRV as TO2TT until October 17. Activity is on 160 to 6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY with four stations active. QSL direct via I2YSB.

AUSTRAL ISLANDS. FO. Grant, KZ1W and Rob, N7QT are QRV as TX5D from Raivavae, IOTA OC-114, until October 14. Activity is on 80 to 10 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK. QSL via N7QT.

WALLIS AND FUTUNA ISLANDS, FW. Jean-Jacques, TK5JJ is QRV as FW5JJ from Wallis, IOTA OC-054, for the next two years. Activity is on the HF bands using CW, SSB and digital modes, with EME on 6 and 2 meters. QSL via F5RXL.

GUERNSEY, GU. A group of operators are QRV as GP0PKT from Herm Island, IOTA EU-114, until October 8. Activity is on 80 to 10 meters using SSB and digital modes with three stations. QSL via G6NHU.

SOLOMON ISLANDS, H4. Bernard, DL2GAC and Hermann, DL2NUD are QRV as H44MS and H44HP, respectively, from Honiara until November 26. Activity is on the HF bands with EME as well. QSL to home calls.

ST. VINCENT, J8. Fred, DH5FS will be QRV as J8/DH5FS from Union Island, IOTA NA-025, until October 10. He will be active on the HF bands using mostly CW. QSL via DM5JBN.

CURACAO, PJ2. Jeff, K5JP, James, NT5V, and Lanny, W5BOS will be QRV as PJ2/home calls from October 8 to 15. Activity will be on the HF bands with an emphasis on the newer bands. QSL to home calls.

UKRAINE, UR. A group of operators are QRV using special event call EN50N until October 30 to commemorate 50 years of the Vinnitsa TV tower, one of the tallest structures in Europe. Activity is on all bands and modes. QSL via operators' instructions.

CANADA, VE. Robert, VE3RHE will be QRV as VX31763 in celebration of the 250th anniversary of the Royal Proclamation of King George III from October 6 to November 5. Activity will be on 40, 20, 15 and 10 meters. QSL to home call.

MEXICO, XE. Special event station XE3FMRE is QRV until October 7 during the national Mexican ham radio convention in Cancun. Activity is on 80 to 6 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY, PSK31 and possibly WSJT. QSL via XE3RCC.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The Oceania DX Phone Contest, NCCC Sprint, YLRL DX/NA YL Anniversary Contest, 15-Meter SSTV Dash Contest, TARA PSK Rumble Contest, EPC Russia DX BPSK63 Contest, GTC CW Cup, TRC DX Contest, WAB HF Phone Contest, EU Autumn SSB Sprint, California QSO Party, International Hell-Contest, UBA ON SSB Contest and RSGB 21/28 MHz Contest will certainly keep contesters busy this upcoming weekend. The ARS Spartan CW Sprint is scheduled for October 8. The NAQCC Straight Key/Bug CW Sprint, CWops Mini-CWT CW Test, 432 MHz Fall Sprint and RSGB 80-Meter Club CW Sprint are all scheduled for October 9. Please see October QST, page 89, and the ARRL and WA7BNM contest web sites for details.
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21696. Report SIDC Ursigram

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# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
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SIDC URSIGRAM 31004
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 04 Oct 2013, 1210UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 04 Oct 2013 until 06 Oct 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 04 Oct 2013 10CM FLUX: 108 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 05 Oct 2013 10CM FLUX: 108 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 06 Oct 2013 10CM FLUX: 108 / AP: 007
COMMENT: C-class flaring is expected from NOAA AR 1856 and NOAA AR 1857 in the
Eastern solar hemisphere. Quiet geomagnetic conditions (K<4) are expected.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 058, BASED ON 14 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 03 Oct 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 114
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 006
AK WINGST : 004
ESTIMATED AP : 005
ESTIMATED ISN : 049, BASED ON 21 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
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21697. 425 DX News - #1170

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05 October 2013 A.R.I. DX Bulletin
No 1170
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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** DX INFORMATION ****
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4X - Yulik 4X6HP, Vlad 4Z5IW and Ros 4Z5LA will be active as homecall/p from Akhziv Island (AS-100) [425DXN 1169] from about 4 UTC on 18 October until around 12 UTC on the 19th. They will run two stations and operate CW and SSB. QSL via home calls. [TNX 4X1VF]
6W - Luc, F5RAV (6V7T) has cancelled the announced side trip to N'gor Island (AF-045) [425DXN 1169] and will be active only from mainland Senegal on 8-17 October. QSL direct to F5RAV.
C9 - Target frequencies for the C82DX expedition to Mozambique [425DXN 1163] are:
CW 1820.5 3513 7013 10113 14013 18072 21023 24900 28013 50105
SSB 1845 3780 7075 - 14200 18140 21285 24945 28470 50105
RTTY - 3580 7035 10140 14075 18102 21075 24910 28075 -
The group (JN1THL, K6RB, K6TD, K8EAB, N1DG, N4NX, N4XP, N9JA, NF4A, VA7DX, W6OAT, WF4W, ZS6P, ZS6PJH and ZS6RI) plans to be operational by 14 October, and the operation will run until the morning of the 23rd.
An OQRS for direct an bureau cards will be activated on Club Log after the DXpedition ends. Traditional requests should be sent direct to C82DX, P.O. Box 333, Bethlehem GA 30620, USA. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW six months after the conclusion of the DXpedition. Logsearch and further information can be found at www.c82dx.com (http://www.c82dx.com)
E5_sc - Once again Bill, N7OU will be active as E51NOU from Rarotonga (OC-013), South Cook Islands between 14 October and 9 November. He will be QRV in his spare time on 160-10 metres CW. QSL via N7OU. [TNX DX World]
I - Look for Augusto IA5/IK4RQJ, Vanni IA5/IK4RUX and Sergio IA5/IZ4BBF to be active from Isola del Giglio (EU-028) on 8-13 October. They will operate SSB and digital modes on the HF bands. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. [TNX IK4RUX]
J8 - Fred, DH5FS is active as J8/DH5FS from IOTA group NA-025 until 9 October. From 30 September to 4 October he operated from Bequia Island, while on 5-9 October he will be on Union Island. QSL via Club Log's OQRS (preferred method), otherwise via DM5JBN.
KG4 - Bill, W4WV (KG4WV) and Al, W6HGF (KG4HF) will be active from Guantanamo Bay between 11 and 25 October. They plan to operate

SSB, RTTY, PSK and some CW on all bands. QSL via home calls. [TNX
The Daily DX]
S2 - S21ZBC and S21ZBB are the callsigns for the Mediterraneo DX Club's
DXpedition to Bangladesh [425DXN 1156]: S21ZBC will be used on
16-22 November, while S21ZBB will be used on 23-26 November, CQ WW
DX CW Contest included. A large multi-national team (I2VGW, I8YGZ,
IK2LTR, IK4MTK, IT9ZZO, IZ2GNQ, IZ2KXC, IZ5GST, IZ8CCW, DF7TT,
DJ7JC, DJ9RR, DL3GA, DL5DSM, DL8OBF, F1HRE, F5EOT, HB9OCR, OE3JAG,
ON7RN, RA9USU, S21AM, S21D, S21RC, YO5OED and YO9XC) will be
active on 160-6m with six stations - two for SSB, two for CW and
two for RTTY. QSL via IK2VUC, direct or bureau. Logs will be
uploaded to LoTW six months after the conclusion of the DXpedition
Further information, including logsearch and OQRS in due course,
can be found on www.mdxc.org/bangladesh2013/ (http://www.mdxc.org/bangladesh2013/) [TNX
MDXC]
T8 - Kiichi, JF1LUT will be active as T88IK from Koror (OC-009), Palau
on 8-15 October. He will operate SSB only on the HF bands and 6
metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau.
V4 - Once again John, W5JON will be active as V47JA from St. Kitts
(NA-104) from 10 October to 10 November. He will operate SSB and
digital modes, and will participate in the CQ WW DX SSB Contest as
V49J. All QSLs via W5JON (direct only) and LoTW. His wife Cathy
(W5HAM) will also operate occasionally as V47HAM. [TNX The Daily
DX]
VK9L - Fred, VK3DAC will be active as VK9DAC from Lord Howe Island
(OC-004) on 14-20 October. He expects to be QRV on or around 3595,
7105, 14250, 21250, 28450 and 50150 kHz, during his early mornings
and into the evenings as time and conditions allow QSL via home
call, direct or bureau.
W - Special event callsigns N1A, N2A, N3A, N4A, N5A, N6A, N7A, N8A,
N9A and N0A will be activated from each of the US call areas on
6-12 October to celebrate the 9th anniversary of the North
American QRP CW Club (NAQCC). QSL direct to KK1X. Details on the
event can be found at http://naqcc.info/ [TNX VA3RJ]
W - Jacek, SP5APW (http://na-142.blogspot.com/) has revised his
schedule [425DXN 1169] and now plans to be active as W4/SP5APW
from five IOTA groups as follows:
14-15 October Jekyll NA-058
16-17 October Okaloosa NA-142
17-18 October St. George NA-085
19 October Talbot NA-138
20-22 October Cedar Key NA-076
He will be QRV holiday style mainly on 20, 15 and 10 metres SSB.
QSL via home call, direct or bureau.
XE - Manuel XE2HUQ, Saul XE2HQI, Craig XE2HWJ and Felix XE2I will be
active as XF1P from Isla Partida (NA-124) on 9-16 November. They
plan to operate SSB and CW on 160-10 metres. QSL via XE2HUQ
(direct only).
YB - Before returning to the Philippines, Leo, YC9MLL [425DXN 1165]
will concentrate his last operations from Flores Island (OC-151)

on 5-6, 12-13, 19-20 and 26-27 October. Look for him on or around 21260 kHz. QSL via M0OXO. [TNX rsgbiota.org (http://rsgbiota.org)]
YB - Joni, YB9WZJ and Lucky, YD9RQX plan to be active from Waigeo Island (OC-239) between 16 and 22 October. Expect them to operate SSB on 40, 20 and 15 metres. [TNX JN6RZM]
YO - Special event station YR900ORA will be active until 15 October to celebrate the 900th anniversary of the city of Oradea. Local amateur radio operators are using special prefix YO900. Information on the relevant award can be found at http://www.qrz.com/db/ YR900ORA (http://www.qrz.com/db/YR900ORA)

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** GOOD TO KNOW ... ****
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CY0P ---> Operations from Sabe Island will stop earlier than planned. "Rather than returning on 11 October", the team said, "for a number of safety (WX) and cost considerations, the return date will be on either 7, 8, or 9 October". Activity is on 160-10 metres CW and SSB. Due to equipment limitations, there will be no RTTY operation.

HP0INT ---> The HP0INT story (32188 QSOs from the six Panama IOTA groups between 5 and 19 September), along with pictures and statistics, can be found at http://www.invokerteam.com/ hp0int/ (http://www.invokerteam.com/hp0int/)

HQ4W ---> Dan, HR2DMR was active as HQ4W from Isla El Tigre (NA-060) for a few hours between 2-3 October. This was a reconnaissance trip in preparation for the main activation on 17-20 October [425DXN 1169]. QSL via KD4POJ. [TNX DX World]

K9W ON HOLD ---> On 1 October the K9W Management team announced that "due to the U.S. Government shutdown, the Wake Island K9W Forgotten 98s Commemorative DXpedition is now on hold pending a revised schedule. We will announce new dates for the DXpedition as soon as possible. Thank you for your patience and understanding." Keep an eye on www.wake2013.org (http://www.wake2013.org).

LY PREFIX HUNTER TROPHY ---> This plaque is issued for working 25 Lithuanian stations with different LY prefixes. Details can be found on the Vytautas Magnus University Radio Club's website (http://rk.vdu.lt). [TNX LY5W]

NOT THE QSL MANAGER ---> Con, DF4SA is not the QSL manager for 7X2ARA. "I ONLY manage my contacts that I made during 2003 CQ WW DX CW Contest from this club station", he says. Please refrain from sending QSL requests to him, as "it is a waste of money and time for everybody". [TNX DF4SA]

QSL 9K2MA ---> "I am still the QSL Manager for 9K2MA", Russ WA3FRP says, "and I am happy to report that Mohammad has, once again, become active and

on-the-air. I have the logs from 1983-1995 plus 2013 - present".

W/VE ISLANDS ---> The W/VE Islands QSO Party will take place from 16 UTC on
19 October through 23.59 UTC on the 20th. Complete information can be found
at www.usislands.org/contest_ rules.html (http://www.usislands.org/contest_rules.html).

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3D2RA LZ2HM FH4VOS DL7BC T6TM KB2RLB
3G3O CE3OP FR5FC EA7FTR T88GJ JL1FUQ
3Z2X SP2YWL GB13NH G5FZ TF2R TF3AO
3Z5N SP5GRM H7H EB7DX TM1A F6KOP
4A1SG XE1EE HB9SPACE HB9ACA TM24FIG F6CSQ
4A1TD XE1GZU HF160JMHW SP3PWL TM63ISS F5KDC
4O/HG3IPA HA3JB HF17TRD SP9PTA TM6BRE F4EUG
5C5W EA5XX HF715BRO SQ2OMB TO2TT I2YSB [d]
5N53EAM IK2IQD HK1NA K6PIM TO2TT IK2CIO [b]
5X1NH G3RWF HP7VNB HP1AVS TX5D N7QT
5Z4/EA4ATI EA4YK HQ4W KD4POJ UK8OAR W3HNK
6V1A 6W7JX HS0ZKG F6AXX UN8LWZ RW6HS
6V7X IK2FIL IB2PDT IQ2LZ UP44WFF UN6QC
8P2K KU9C ID9Y HB9FHZ [b] UP50A DL8KAC
8P9LJ G0OPA ID9Y IK8YFU [d] UV5U UX1UA
9H3JK ZB2JK IL3V I3BQC V31MA M0OXO
9HOHSJ 9H1VC IP1T IZ5JLF V31WI WI9WI
9K2MA WA3FRP IQ9UI IT9CHU V63SC JM1LBO
9N2YY OH2YY J8/DH5FS DM5JBN V73AY BD4DYH
9N7BF DL8BF JW8DW LA8DW VE2CSI M0URX
A35JQ JF6QIP JY9FC E73Y VI6WA100 VK6IR
A41KJ NI5DX KH0/KW2X JG7PSJ VK9LL VK2CCC
A60A IZ8CLM KP4RV AI4U VP9I WW3S
AH0BT 7L1FPU LT0H EA7FTR W0CXX N3SL
AY8A LU8ADX LX/OR5M ON4CP W4CRC N3SL
C6ADL LA9DL LX7I LX2A W5ROK N3SL
C91GBA EA4GBA LZ8E LZ2BE W6CXX N3SL
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CE2AWW VE7WY MJ0CFW M0CFW WH7Z W0CN
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CO0SK EA5GL NP4A W3HNK XU7AEU M6CFW

CO0SM CO2FRC OD5PL HB9CRV XV5HS EA5ZD
CO0SS CO2FRC OD5PY KU9C XW4XR E21EIC
CO2IZ EA1EAU OD5RW K8NA YO900AIR YO5AIR
CO6CAC PY4WAS OG20YL OH2YL YO900ALI YO5ALI
CO6HLP EA7FTR OH0R OH2PM YO900AMF YO5AMF
CO6RD EA5GL OH0V OH6LI YO900BRE YO5BRE
CR2T CU2AF OH0Z W0MM YO900BRZ YO5BRZ
CR3A EA5GL OL3A OK1MR YO900BYV YO5BYV
CT9/CT1FFU CT1EEB ON40C130H ON2KFJ YO900OAW YO5OAW
CW7T K5WW ON70REDSTAR ON4OSA YO900OBA YO5OBA
CW90A CX2ABC OQ2MRS ON4RCN YO900ODL YO5ODL
CX/AL4Q DJ8QP OX3LX OZ1PIF YO900ODT YO5ODT
CX7CO EA5GL OX5M OZ0J YO900OED YO5OED
CY0P VE1RGB P29LL EA7FTR YO900OVM YO5OVM
D2EB IZ3ETU P29NO EA5GL YR900ORA YO5OFP
DM50IOTA DL2VFR P49X W0YK YS1/NP3J EA5GL
DU1KA NR6M PP5/AL4Q DJ8QP YT0WFF YU7CM
EA6/G3SZU M0OXO R2FAA RW6HS YW2LV YV5YMA
ED1R EC1KR R863LC R3LC YW5T YV5JBI
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21698. 425 DX Calendar - #1170

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
******* CALENDAR *******
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PERIOD CALL REF
till 05/10 9N2YY: Nepal 1168
till 05/10 EJ0M: Aran Island (EU-121) 1168
till 05/10 OU1RAEM: Romo Island (EU-125) 1168
till 05/10 SW9XB: Crete (EU-015) 1167
till 06/10 EA6/SP2QCW: Mallorca Island (EU-004) 1166
till 06/10 IB2PDT: special callsign 1153
till 06/10 ID9Y: Salina Island (EU-017) 1169
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21699. ARLP040 Propagation de K7RA

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Date: 2013-10-04 20:57:31 UTC
From: jjreisert@...
Topic: 6471 Message: 21699

SB PROP @ ARL $ARLP040
ARLP040 Propagation de K7RA

ZCZC AP40
QST de W1AW
Propagation Forecast Bulletin 40 ARLP040
>From Tad Cook, K7RA
Seattle, WA October 4, 2013
To all radio amateurs

SB PROP ARL ARLP040
ARLP040 Propagation de K7RA

Solar activity weakened again, with the average daily sunspot number dropping from 75.6 to 52, and average daily solar flux down three points to 106.6, when compared to the previous week, September 19-25.

Geomagnetic activity was up, with planetary A index at 39 on October 2, mid-latitude A index at 29, and the high latitude college A index at 64.

The cause of the upset was a coronal mass ejection barreling toward Earth at 2,000,000 MPH on September 30, triggering a G2 class geomagnetic storm on October 2 and aurora displays well south of the Canadian border.

Predicted solar flux values are 110 on October 4-5, 105 and 100 on October 6-7, 95 on October 8-13, 100 on October 14-15, 105 on October 16-18, and 110 on October 19-24.

Predicted planetary A index is 20 on October 3, 8 on October 4, 5 on October 5-9, 8 on October 10-11, 5 on October 12-13, then 8, 10 and 8 on October 14-16, 5 on October 17-20, 10 on October 21, and 5 on October 22-26.

OK1CC predicts a quiet to unsettled geomagnetic field on October 4, mostly quiet October 5, quiet on October 6, quiet to active October 7-10, quiet to unsettled October 11, quiet on October 12-13, quiet to active October 14, active to disturbed on October 15-16, quiet to active October 17-18, quiet October 19-20, active to disturbed October 21, mostly quiet October 22, quiet October 23-27, quiet to active October 28, and active to disturbed October 29-30.

I've been keeping an archive of the 45-day solar flux and planetary A index predictions from NOAA/NASA, and it is interesting to see how they change over time. Conditions 30-45 days out must be pretty hard

to predict, but I've noticed that the outlook seems to be increasingly pessimistic recently, suggesting weakening sunspot activity.

For instance, the 45 day prediction for September 16 began on August 2, with a solar flux of 125. Then over time it drifted around, within a few days down to 105 (August 5-11), then back up to 125 on August 19-25, then the prediction begins to wither to 115 August 26 to September 8, declining again to 100 (September 9-12), then in the few days before the target date September 13-15 at 95, which was right on the nose with the end result being 94.5. This of course rounds up to 95, the whole number used in the prediction.

I keep seeing predictions with solar flux values dropping below 100, even down to 90. Take a look at, http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/ftpmenu/forecasts/45DF.html.

You can also see my own longer term archive in spreadsheet format at http://snurl.com/27xfhcg. Password is k7ra. This particular archive goes back to April 19.

The column on the left shows the dates of the forecasts, and across the top are the dates that the data correspond to. The numbers in blue across the bottom are the actual flux values recorded on the dates for each column, or when the column and row intersect on the same date.

A similar spreadsheet for the planetary A index can be downloaded from http://snurl.com/27xfgtc. Same password, k7ra.

Today we have an addition to our three-month moving average data set, and I am now convinced that we may have already passed the now classic double-peak for Cycle 24 that some have predicted based on activity in previous cycles. As others have suggested, those peaks seem to be clearly centered around October to November 2011, and April to May 2013. For the 3-month period ending September 30 the average was 77.4

Starting from a three month average centered on January 2011 (data from December 1, 2010 through February 28, 2011), averages for that year were 35.3, 55.7, 72.3, 74.4, 65.9, 61.5, 63, 79.6, 98.6, 118.8, 118.6 and 110.

For 2012 it was 83.3, 73.7, 71.2, 87.3, 91.5, 96.5, 91.9, 89.9, 81.2, 82.3, 74.4, and 82.8.

So far in 2013 the averages are 73.6, 80.7, 85.2, 106.4, 106.4, 97.5, 85.6 and 77.4.

Some solar scientists suggest a possible subsequent peak in 2014. I certainly hope so, but have no way of knowing. Our nearest star remains baffling and full of surprises. The body of knowledge and available tools expanded tremendously over the past couple of

decades, yet accurate predictions elude us. Remember a few years ago when one of the more optimistic scientific papers suggested a record-breaking Cycle 24, perhaps approaching the levels of Cycle 19 in the late 1950s? The future looked bright.

There is this interesting theory that the first cycle following the beginning of any century is weak. Could there also be a 100 year recurrence of Cycle 19? Tell your children or grandchildren. That would be over a century after my birth, and planning for it now would be a fool's errand.

Thanks to Jimmy Mahuron, K9JWJ for reminding us about the 2007 book by Stuart Clark, "The Sun Kings: The unexpected tragedy of Richard Carrington and the tale of how modern astronomy began." I suggested it in this bulletin several years ago, checked it out from the library, but it joined the tall stack of non-fiction to read and I finally returned it. I just reserved it again, and if you happen to be in Seattle, I see it is currently on display at the Green Lake Branch of Seattle Public Library. I guess that our librarians selected a number of books about astronomy or the Sun for a themed display, but these are never locked in display cases. These books can be picked up, perused and even checked out.

Jimmy also noted on September 27 that 40 meters was good for him the previous Saturday, September 21.

Emil Pocock, W3EP reported on September 29, "It is a bit early in the Fall DX season and solar activity is still low, but 10 meters has come alive. The band opened to Western Europe at the unusually late time of 1920-2000 (I assume he means UTC, rather than local time) September 13. There were teaser openings to Europe on the mornings of September 17, 18, and 21. I was surprised to work 3B8/G0TSM on the September 18 among the European callers.

"The first significant opening from here in Connecticut was on September 22 and then every morning to September 29. Eastern European stations dominated, especially UR and UA. Interesting stations worked included FR5FC, HZ1SK, FH4VOS and OD5ZZ on September 24, all on SSB. The following day, snagged on CW 5A1AL and SU9AF. On September 25, logged 4Z5SG, 4Z5ML, ZA1G, 4K9W and UP5OA. Stations worked on the September 27 included some real surprises, including EW8O and EW3AN (EW not worked on previous days), but also VU3KPL and XV4Y. XV4Y was worked on direct path over the pole. What a thrill to hear Vietnam through the European callers! Eastern Europeans continued to dominate QSOs on September 28 and 29, including UA9XO.

"Hope this bodes well for the rest of the Fall season, even if solar activity remains sluggish."

Hope so too, Emil, and thanks for sending an uplifting counterpoint to my gloomy assessment earlier in this bulletin.

Jim Smith, K3RTU of Aston, Pennsylvania wrote on October 2 about another hike in one of his favorite parks, taking along a portable HF radio and antenna, of course: "Despite the less than desirable predicted solar flux for Monday September 30, I went on a hike in Ridley Creek State Park here in Southeast Pennsylvania (FM29). In one of my favorite spots I tried a different antenna instead of my trusty Buddistick vertical. I was using an end fed wire of 30' with a 9:1 UNUN matching transformer. I got the end of the wire up into a tall tree at about a 50 degree angle and attached the other end with the matching transformer to a plastic tent peg. Then I ran the coax back to my KX3. I was running the KX3 with AA lithium batteries so I kept the power cut back to just under 3 watts. Even with this less simple setup I was able to work CO0CW in Havana and received a RST of 579 at about 1540 UTC on 17 meters. I wasn't hearing many station, however, so I tried 15 meters. I was delighted to then work SM5NZG near Stockholm at about 1620 UTC. I only received an RST of 539 from Heide, but was still able to chat for about 10 minutes. Heide's 6 element Yagi was obviously doing the heavy lifting, but it was still good to see that less than 3 watts from a simple end fed wire could make the trip across the Atlantic even without much help from the Sun."

Thanks to Max White, M0VNG in the UK for this interesting piece on some space weather research:

http://newsroom.ucla.edu/portal/ucla/lunar-orbiters-discover-source-247774.aspx.

And finally, Jeff Hartley, N8II of West Virginia wrote to us last evening, "Conditions on September 27-30 were good on the high bands with October 2 being the poorest day. Throughout the period the SFI ranged from low 100's to around 115.

"On September 27, 12 meters was open well to Europe by 1300 UTC (sunrise is just after 1100 UTC, sunset around 2345 UTC) working many Ukrainians. By 1330 UTC, 10 meters was open to southern Europe and especially the UA6 area and Ukraine. At 1500 UTC, JW9JKA on Bear Island, EU-027 was easily worked S5 on 10 phone followed by OZ1BTE, OH5UZ, several Germans, Polish, Austrians and a few Southern Europeans, mostly with S7-S9 signals going QRT at 1533 UTC. Andy, UA0BA was found on my return at 1828 UTC a solid 599 on 10 CW from far northern zone 18, which is well after midnight there, with some auroral Es probably involved. Then I found him on 12 meter CW at 1846 UTC about 559. Both UA0ZC and R0FA were loud on 12 CW at 2103/2124 UTC, but the band every day seems to close to Asia by sunset. About an hour after sunset RA/KE5FA, HL2XUM, and DU2US were around S5 on 17 CW.

"On September 28, my first morning QSO was UA9FAR on 12 meter CW, and he was 589. By 1318 UTC, 10 meters opened to RA1QD and YL2TQ. DXing took a back seat to the Texas QSO Party for most of the rest of the weekend. 20 meters was in pretty good shape to Texas most of the time except Sunday after about 1730 UTC when absorption was

high. 15 meters opened to Texas well by about 1540 UTC both days and stayed open until past 2230 UTC Saturday, but activity could have been better.

"10 meters opened on Sunday well to Europe at 1308 UTC when I turned on the radio, with many UA3 area stations logged. Conditions actually seemed to favor Russia with about 25 stations logged before QRTing for the Texas QSO Party at 1352 UTC; western EU was weak at best. This was the best day into Russia and surprisingly good conditions considering the fairly low SFI.

"On September 30, 10 meters did not open well to Europe, but again there was some propagation to RU3EG (1506 UTC) and UA3YDH (1335 UTC). And surprisingly, Kumar, VU2BGS was worked S5 on 10 CW using a 6 element yagi on his end and 5 el on my end. Twelve meters was open well to UR and Russia as far as RQ4F. Outside of India, Central Asia conditions have not been good above 20 meters. 8Q7AM was 57 on 15 meter phone at 1653 UTC, but he is far south. Since October 2, 10 has sounded poor except to the south and even 12 meters has been quite poor or closed to Europe.

"Today, Oct 3, conditions seemed to improve later in the day with a good 12 meter opening to JA around 2220 UTC and a good signal from TO2TT on Mayotte in the Indian Ocean on 17 phone at 1942 UTC. There was some sporadic-E into New England as well as to county activator W0GXQ in eastern Oklahoma, logged on 12 and 10 meters with S5 signals or better (1540-1722 UTC) and still loud on 15 most of the time on F2 thru 2046 UTC."

If you would like to make a comment or have a tip for our readers, email the author at, k7ra@....

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service web page at, http://arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals. For an explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin, see http://arrl.org/the-sun-the-earth-the-ionosphere. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at http://arrl.org/w1aw-bulletins-archive-propagation. More good information and tutorials on propagation are at http://k9la.us/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://arrl.org/propagation.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of ARRL bulletins are at http://arrl.org/bulletins.

Sunspot numbers for September 26 through October 2 were 63, 54, 58, 39, 42, 49, and 59, with a mean of 52. 10.7 cm flux was 109.9, 107.9, 105.7, 103.1, 104.9, 106.8, and 108.1, with a mean of 106.6. Estimated planetary A indices were 2, 2, 2, 3, 3, 5, and 39, with a mean of 8. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 2, 2, 2, 3, 3, 6,

and 29, with a mean of 6.7.
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21700. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-10-05 14:01:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21700

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:Issued: 2013 Oct 05 1259 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 31005
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 05 Oct 2013, 1210UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 05 Oct 2013 until 07 Oct 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Quiet conditions (<50% probability of C-class flares)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 05 Oct 2013 10CM FLUX: 109 / AP: 005
PREDICTIONS FOR 06 Oct 2013 10CM FLUX: 109 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 07 Oct 2013 10CM FLUX: 109 / AP: 007
COMMENT: None of the active regions on the solar disk poses a serious potential for
flaring. In total, we estimate there is a 30% for a minor C-flare. Quiet
(K<4) geomagnetic conditions are expected in the coming day. A partial halo
CME was observed by LASCO, leaving the Sun towards the SE quadrant on Oct
4, 19:18. This event is determined to be back-sided and will thus not have
geomagnetic consequences.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 039, BASED ON 09 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 04 Oct 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 109
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 003
AK WINGST : 001
ESTIMATED AP : 001
ESTIMATED ISN : 056, BASED ON 18 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21701. K9W (Wake Island operation) on hold

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-10-06 04:10:43 UTC
From: <w2zk@...>
Topic: 21701 Message: 21701

From the K9W website (www.wake2013.org) ...

"Due to the U.S. Government shutdown, the Wake Island K9W Forgotten 98's
Commemorative DXpedition is now on hold pending a revised schedule.
We will announce new dates for the DXpedition as soon as possible.
Thank you for your patience and understanding.

The K9W Wake Management Team"

Really too bad,

Ted, W2ZK

21702. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1131

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-10-06 12:30:00 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 21702 Message: 21702

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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 29th-September, through Sunday, 6th-October there were 220 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3B9, 3D2, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5A, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5W, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8Q, 8R, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9U, 9V, 9X, 9Y, A4, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C9, CE, CE0Y, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, CY0, D2, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, F, FG, FH, FK, FM, FO, FO/a, FR, FS, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HZ, I, IS, J2, J6, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JY, K, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PY, PY0F, PZ, S5, SM, SP, SU, SV, SV/a, SV5, SV9, T7, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TN, TR, TT, TU, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V6, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK9N, VP2E, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XW, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, Z8, ZA, ZB, ZD7, ZD8, ZF, ZL, ZL9, ZP, ZS, ZS8

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

6W, SENEGAL. Mark, AA1AC, will once again be active as 6W/AA1AC from La Somone, between December 8-14th. QSL direct or by the Bureau to his home callsign.

8R, GUYANA. Alex, W1CDC, will once agin be active as 8R1A from Guyana between October 13th and November 1st. Activity will be holiday style on 80-10 meters using CW and SSB. There will be an emphasis on 80/30/17/12/6 meters. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

9N, NEPAL. Fred, DL8BF, is now active as 9N7BF from Nepal until October 12th. His activity will be QRP on 40/20/15/10 meters. QSL via his home callsign.

C3, ANDORRA. Members of the "Andorran Amateur Radio Union (URA)" will once again be active as C37NL during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th). QSL via C37URA.

C6, BAHAMAS (Update). Rich, N0HJZ, will once again be active as C6ARW from Grand Bahama Island (NA-080) between October 22-29th. Activity will be on 30/17/12 meters this time using CW and RTTY. Operations will also include the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL via his home callsign, direct (with sufficient postage) or by the Bureau.

C82, MOZAMBIQUE (Press Release, Dated September 29th) [edited]: "This marks the last benchmark for C82DX to be operational by October 14th. They will be active until the morning of October 23rd giving us 9 evenings of low band opportunities.
Operators depart from Japan, Canada and the U.S. next week to convene in Pretoria on the 12th for loading the caravan for the trip to Xai at 5 AM on the 13th. Upon arrival the first antennas to go up are the low band Titanex, Battle Creek and Big IR verticals. After that the listening loops and beverages, beams, and VHF antennas will be erected.
Our final team consists of: JN1THL, K6RB, K6TD, K8EAB, N1DG, N4NX, N4XP, N9JA, NF4A, VA7DX, W6OAT, WF4W, ZS6P, ZS6PJH, and ZS6RI.
Team C82DX wishes to thank our Foundation, Club and individual donors, and all the support by lead sponsor ICOM for assisting us in making this happen. Please visit <http://www.c82dx.com/pages/sponsors.html> for a list of all our great and generous supporters.
Hope to see all of you in the logs, especially the low bands!
Don, N1DG, and Tom, N4XP, Co Leaders of Team C82DX
<www.c82dx.com>"

CY0, SABLE ISLAND. By the time you read this, operators Gary/VE1RGB, Murray/WA4DAN and Rick/AI5P should be almost or preparing to go QRT as CY0P from Sable Island (NA-063,CISA NS004, WLOTA 0758, WWFF CYFF-001). They announced just before leaving to go to Sable that they were expected to be on the air until October 8th (not October 11th as planned - see details special bulletin OPDX.1130.1). OPDX received the following from the team on Saturday [edited]: "As of 0200z on October 5th, the CY0P DXpedition team had approximately 16,000 Q's in the log. We will continue to work the very large pile-ups over the weekend. Updates to be posted at <www.cy0dxpedition.com>.
(Not sure about departure date yet....all depends on the WX and condition of the sand 'runway' on the beach)..... 73, Murray, Gary, Rick CY0P"
QSL via VE1RGB, direct or by the Bureau. For more information and

updates, visit: http://www.cy0dxpedition.com

D2, ANGOLA. João, CT2HPM, is once again active as D2CT from Luanda until November 15th. Activity is on 20/17/15/12/10 meters using mostly PSK31 and RTTY. His equipment is a Kenwood TS-480SAT into a EzWire antenna. QSL via CT2HPM.

E5, SOUTH COOK ISLANDS. Bill, N7OU, informs OPDX that he will once again be active as E51NOU from the South Cook Islands on Rarotonga Island (OC-013) between October 14th and November 9th. Activity will be on 160-10 meters CW only; during his spare time as his volunteer work allows. QSL via N7OU.

E5, SOUTH COOK ISLANDS. Just a reminder that Fabio, IZ0YIV, will be active as E51YIV from the following islands between October 9-17th. His tentative schedule is:
October 9-13th - Rarotonga Island (OC-013)
October 13-17th - Aitutaki Island (OC-083)
Activity will be holiday style, possibly on 20/17/15m (he has not yet decided), using SSB and the Digital modes (RTTY, PSK, JT65 and JT9 mainly). QSL via his home callsign, direct, by the Bureau or via eQSL or LoTW.

E6, NIUE, Operators Sasi/JA1KJW (E6AK), Mat/JA1JQY (E6AY) and Kuni/JA8VE (E6AA) will be active from Niue Islands (OC-040) between November 3-9th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. Suggested SSB frequencies are: 3798, 7080/7155, 14170, 18130, 21270, 24940 and 28470 kHz. Radios are an Elecraft K2/100w and K3/100w, and an Icom IC-726, with an Ameritron ALS-500M into a Spider Beam?and Hex Beam. QSL via their home callsigns.

FY, FRENCH GUIANA. Marc, F1HAR, will be active as FY5KE during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (15m) entry. QSL via LoTW or direct to FY5KE. NO MORE QSLs by the Bureau.

FY, FRENCH GUIANA. Didier, FY5FY, will be active as FY5KE during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (20m)/Low-Power entry. QSL via FY1FL, by the Bureau or direct.

GB0, ENGLAND (Special Event). Look for special event station GB0TWY to be activated by the 2nd Twyning Scout Group, as part of the 56th Jamboree on-the-Air (JOTA) event, for one day on October 19th. Operations will be from the Twyning School. Twyning is a small village on the banks of the River Avon, 3 km north of Tewkesbury in the county of Gloucestershire, England. The village has around 70 Beavers, Cubs and Scouts ☐ many of which will be visiting the station to take part in JOTA/JOTI 2013. They will also be joined by other Scout groups from Tewkesbury District. Activity will be on the HF bands (40/20/15 meters) as well as 2m and 70 cm. QSL via info on QRZ.com.

GB2, ENGLAND (Special Event). Special event callsign GB2NZ came on the air on Saturday, October 5th, as part of the preparation for the commemoration of the 90th anniversary this October of the first-ever Europe/Oceania radio communication, between Z4AA in southern New Zealand and

2SZ in London, in 1924. The main object is to make some G/ZL contacts on 80 meters, close to the 3 MHz frequency used in 1924. Laurie Margolis, G3UML, will be on first with the special callsign GB2NZ on October 5th and 6th (UK time). Other operators, including Don/G3BJ, Chris/G3SJJ and John/G3XRJ, will keep it going throughout most of October. The schedule is as follows:
October 5-6th - Op G3UML SSB
October 7-11th - Op G3XRJ SSB and CW
October 12-18th - Op G3BJ SSB and CW
October 19-25th - Op G3SJJ CW (Team Leader & Webmaster)

See the following URL links for more details: http://zm90dx.com
http://gb2nz.com
QSL via M0OXO's OQRS (preferred) for direct and Bureau QSLs.

H4, NICARAGUA (Reminder/Update). Members from the Spanish Aitana DX Group (ADXG) are now active as H7H from Octavio, YN2N, radio shack in Nicaragua until October 16th. Operators mentioned are Javi/EA5KM (CW), Fer/EA5FX (CW), Eugen/EA5HPX (CW), Fran/EA7FTR (SSB/RTTY), Jose/EA1ACP (SSB/RTTY) and Carlos/EA1DVY (SSB/RTTY). Pilot station named is Ismael/EA1AZ. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via EB7DX, direct or by the Bureau. An OQRS will be available for direct and Bureau QSLs. All QSOs will be confirmed via LoTW. For more details and updates, visit: http://nicaragua2013.com

IA0, ANTARCTICA. Max, IW0HEU, will be leaving for the Antarctica on October 14th, and he expects to operate as IA0MZ from the Mario Zucchelli Base Station (WAP ITA-01) until January 31st, 2014. Activity will be limited to his spare time. Suggested frequency and time of operation is 14333 kHz between 1730-1830z or watch your local DXCluster. Full information and a preview of the QSL (Managed by IW0EFA) is posted on the WAP Web site at:
http://www.waponline.it/NewsInformation/tabid/225/Default.aspx

II8, ITALY (Special Event). Look for special event station II8IDXC (suffix "International DX Convention") to be active between November 2013 and May 2015. Activity is to publicize the 10th anniversary of "International DX Convention" that will be held in Paestum, Italy, in April 2015. Operations will be on the HF bands and 6 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. QSL Manager is IZ8EDJ. For more info, see, http://www.dxitalia.it

IOTA NEWS.....
EU-028. Members of the MOdena DXpedition Italian Team (MODXIT) will be active as IA5/homecall from Giglio Island (Tuscany Archipelago, IIA T002, WLOTA 0564 and D.C.I. GR-056) October 8-13th. Operators mentioned are Augusto/IK4RQJ, Vanni/IK4RUX and Sergio/IZ4BBF. Activity will be on the HF bands (including 30/17/12 meters) using SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via their home callsigns (direct or through ARI Bureau).

EU-125. Ric, DL2VFR, will be active as OU1RAEM from Romo Island (DIA NS-001), Wadden Sea National Park (WWFF OZFF-004) between December 28-31st. Activity will be on the HF bands, mainly CW and include an entry in the RAEM Contest (December 29th). QSL via DF5LW, direct or by the Bureau. Also, QSLs will be sent automatically by the Bureau. PLEASE NOTE: Ric will also continue to be active between January 1-3rd, but as OZ/DL2VFR. This activity will be a CW only operation. For more details, see: http://www.iota-expedition.com

NA-060. Dan, HQ4W, was only active for one day this past week to Tigre Island in celebration of the Honduran Armed Forces Day. He is expecting/hoping to return to operate between October 17-20th. QSL via KD4POJ.

NA-124. (Update) Operators Manuel/XE2HUQ, Saul/XE2HQI, Craig/XE2HWJ and Felix/XE2I will be active as XF1P from Partida Island between November 9-16th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via XE2HUQ.

NA-144. Benjamin, KK6FUT, will be active on Santa Cruz Island (USI CA-012S, WLOTA 0813), in the Channel Islands National Park (WWFF KFF-014, Santa Barbara County, CA) between October 19-20th. He will be there with a Boy Scout Troop for the Jamboree-On-The-Air (JOTA). Activity will be on 20 and 15 meters, possibly 40 meters. Operations will be QRP (50w or less), intermittent operating times. QSL via KK6FUT, direct (preferred) or by the Bureau.

OC-109/ Operations YE5T from Tambelan Island (OC-122) and YE5S from OC-122. Natuna Selatan (OC-109) have now been postponed until Spring of 2014.

OC-177. Budi, YF1AR, will be active as YF1AR/0 from Payung Besar Island in the Seribu IOTA Group between October 12-15th. Activity will be on 40-10 meters using mainly SSB with some CW. QSL via N2OO. For more details and update, see: http://www.yf1ar.com/2013/10/payung-besar-island-oc-177-ido-236.html

OC-239. Operators Joni/YB9WZJ and Lucky/YD9RQX will be active as homecall/p from Waigeo Island between October 16-22nd. Activity will be on 40/20/15 meters SSB only. QSL via their home call-signs.

OC-244. James, KJ6YAP, will be active as DV1/KJ6YAP from Masbate Island (WLOTA 0900), Philippines, between October 28th and November 24th. Activity will be holiday style on the HF bands using mainly SSB and with some CW. QSL via his home callsign, by the Bureau or direct.

J8, ST. VINCENT (IOTA Op). Fred, DH5FS, who was active this past week from Bequia Island (NA-025), is now active as J8/DH5FS from Union Island (NA-025) until October 10th. Activity is mostly CW and on the low bands.

QSL via ClubLog's OQRS or direct to DM5JBN.

JD1, OGASAWARA. Take, JA1UII, will be active as JD1BON from Chichijima Island (AS-031) between November 1-4th. Activity will be on HF bands. QSL via his home callsign.

K5, UNITED STATES (LH and Special Event Op). Members of the Jackson County Amateur Radio Association, Inc. (JCARA) will be active as K5R from the Round Island Lighthouse (USA-711) between October 18-20th. Team Leaders are Fred/N5GJ and Dan/AE5JG. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY/PSK31. The suggested frequencies are:
CW - 3535, 7035, 10115, 14035, 18075, 21035 and 28035 kHz
SSB - 3855, 7255, 14255, 18155, 21355 and 28455 kHz
RTTY/PSK31 - 3585, 7045, 10145, 14085, 18105, 21085 and 28085 kHz

QSL request should be sent to: Dan Miller AE5JG, K5R QSL Manager, 18724 Reese Drive, Saucier, MS 39574. QSL cards will have pictures of the Round Island Lighthouse at its various stages, as well as some of its history. USA: Please include SASE with request. Outside USA: Please include SAE and 3 USDs or current IRC with request.

KG4, GUANTANAMO BAY (Reminder). Operators Bill/W4WV and Al/W6HGF will be active as KG4WV and KG4HF, respectively, from Guantanamo Bay (NA-015) between October 11-25th. Activity will be on all bands, 160-6 meters using SSB, RTTY, PSK, and some CW. They will be on the air for the JOTA to put the local Boy Scouts on the radio. They will complete the antenna repairs from damage by hurricane Sandy and a few minor repair items to the shack. QSL via their home callsigns.

KH9, WAKE ISLAND (Press Release). Joe, W8GEX, sent out the following press release on October 1st: "Due to the U.S. Government shutdown, The Wake Island K9W Forgotten 98's Commemorative DXpedition is now on hold pending a revised schedule. We will announce new dates for the DXpedition as soon as possible. Thank you for your patience and under* standing..... The K9W Wake Management team" Please check their Web site frequently for updates: http:/wake2013.org
ADDED NOTE: See "Bloomberg" for an interesting story about the DXpedition at: http://www.bloomberg.com/news/2013-10-04/shutdown-upends-ham-radio-buffs-trip-marking-massacre.html

NEW DX MAILING LIST. There is a new DX mailing list available online from "YB Land DX Club" from Indonesia on YAHOO Groups called YBDXC_News.

P29, PAPUA NEW GUINEA (Update/Rescheduled). Akira, JA1NLX, reports on his Web page that he will be active as P29VNX from Lissenung Island (New Britain Island), in the Bismarck Archipelago IOTA Group (OC-008) between December 1-6th. Activity will be mostly on the IOTA frequencies on 3010 meters using CW, RTTY and PSK31. His transceiver is a Elecraft KX3 with a small 100w amp into a 1/4 wave vertical with elevated radials. QSL via JA1NLX, direct (w/SASE & 2 USDs) or OQRS (direct (3 USDs) or Bureau). Do not send your QSL via Bureau. He is no longer a member of JARL. All logs will be uploaded on LoTW and the Online Log search available on ClubLog.

Akira states, "I will send you QSL via Bureau from GlobalQSL if you request OQRS_Buro." For more details and updates, watch Akira's Web and Blog pages at: http://www.asahi-net.or.jp/~yy7a-ysd/P29VNX-2013.htm http://ja1nlx-aki.blogspot.jp

PJ2, CURACAO (Ops Needed). Geoff, W0CG/7 (PJ2DX), the Rental Coorinator for the Caribbean Contesting Consortium's (CCC) Signal Point PJ2T Station on Curacao (SA-099, WLOTA LH-0942), reports: "None of the members of the CCC group are able to be at the QTH for the December ARRL 10 meter contest except for me. If you would like to come as a single op, or would like to put together a team to operate the contest during that time, let me know. I could operate with you if you wish, or turn it all over to you if that's your preference. (We will be signing PJ2T, and that letter of permission has already been issued.) The station is very capable on 10, with seven yagis available on 10 in various configurations and aimed in various directions. You would have two bedrooms available, each with a private bathroom and two beds. Questions? Drop me an E-mail for details." Geoff's E-mail address is: ghoward@...

PJ4, BONAIRE. Members of the "PJ4 Contest Club" will once again be active as PJ4X from Bonaire (SA-006, WLOTA LH-1279) during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th) as a Multi-Op entry. Check the low bands (160m) on the hour. QSL via LoTW or direct to W1MD.

PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (October 7-13th)....
Oct/07th AN Oct/10th AN Oct/12th AN
Oct/08th AN Oct/11th AN Oct/13th AN
Oct/09th AN

SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS/INDEXES AND GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE
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NORMALITY GEOMAG K Values Alpha
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AN - Above Normal Quiet K=0-1 0-7
HN - High Normal Unsettled K=2 8-15
LN - Low Normal Active K=3 16-29
BN - Below Normal Minor Storm K=4 30-49
DIS - Disturbed Major Storm K=5 50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed Severe Storm K=6-9 100-400

PR0F, FERNANDO DE NORONHA. Miguel, PY3MM, will be active as PR0F from Fernando de Noronha (SA-003) between October 18-28th. The main activity will be the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (40m)/High-Power entry. Possible activity outside of the contest as PY0F/PY3MM. QSL via PP5VB.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (For September 29th and October 3rd)

1B/DF8AN via DF8AN D2EB via IZ3ETU (d) RI1ANU via ZS1OIN
3B8BAE via K5XK DU1KA via NR6M SJ2W via SM2LIY (d/L)
3Z2X via SP2YWL E7TT via E73DPR SN8N via SP8KAF

5C5W via EA5XX (d) EE3R via EA3OR (d/L) SP/DU1EV via DU1EV
5N53EAM via IK2IQD EG8LG via EA8TC SV0XCA/5 via SV0XCA (d)
6V7X via IK2FIL EM0I via UT2IZ SW3JH via DJ5JH
8P2K via KU9C ES9C via ES5RY SW9XB via DJ9XB
9A/DG1RYC via DG1RYC EY0A via UA4LCH TI2ERS via TI0RC
9N7BF via DL8BF HB0/DL2SBY via DL2SBY TK/DL1FDH via DL1FDH
AY8A via LU8ADX HF160JMHW via SP3PWL UN8LWZ via RW6HS (d)
CP9/DF7NX via DF7NX HK1NA via K6IPM UV5U via UX1UA
CR2T via CU2AF IQ9UI via IT9CHU V63SC via JM1LBO
CT9/CT1FFU via CT1EEB KH7XS/W4 via K4XS (d) WH7Z via W0CN
CT9/DJ6XV via DJ6XV LT0H via EA7FTR YO900OBA via YO5OBA
CT9/DK1AQ via DK1AQ LZ8E via LZ2BE YO900ODT via YO5ODT
CT9/DL6TK via DL6TK N2WQ/VE3 via N2WQ YO900OVM via YO5OVM
CT9/DM3BJ via DM3BJ OP7M via ON4SA (d) ZM90DX via M0OXO
CW90A via CX2ABC P49X via W0YK
(e) eQSL only (d) direct only (B) Bureau only (L) LoTW only

9K2MA UPDATE. Russ, WA3FRP, reports, "I am still the QSL Manager for 9K2MA and I am happy to report that Mohammad has, once again, become active and on-the-air. Therefore, please modify any 9K2MA listing to show that I have the logs from 1983-1995 plus 2013 - present."

PIRATE ALERT. Huy, XV2B, reports, "It seems my callsign has been pirated. PSKReporter spotted PSK63 QSOs from 'me'. I do very few digimode!"

QSL UP44WFF via LoTW, by the Bureau or direct (see QRZ.com). Activity was by the "Travelling Radio Amateurs" (Art/UN6QC, Sergey/UN6GAO and Viktor UN7GIT) between October 4-6th, from the following references: UNFF-025 (Almaty State natural reserve), UNR□039 (Talgar River - NEW ONE), UNM□047 (Mount Camel 1659m - NEW ONE), KDA Q-13 (Talgar) and WW Loc. MN83OG.

U.S. POSTAL INCREASE PROPOSED FOR 2014. The United States Postal Service announced on September 25th proposed price changes, including an increase in the price of a First-Class Mail single-piece letter from 46 cents to 49 cents. The proposed changes, which would go into effect in January 2014, are intended to generate $2 billion in incremental annual revenue for the Postal Service. Highlights of the new single-piece First-Class Mail pricing, effective Jan. 26, 2014, include:
Letters (1oz.) - 3-cent increase to 49 cents
Letters additional ounces - 1-cent increase to 21 cents
Letters to all international destinations (1 oz.) - $1.15
Postcards - 1-cent increase to 34 cents

VE2CSI QSL STATUS. Tim, M0URX, reports: "I have now uploaded VE2CSI to LoTW confirming CQ Zone 2 for the deserving. 16,600 QSOs uploaded."

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 3B8/G0TSM, 4X6HP, 4Z5MU, 5B4AIF, 6V7O, 6V7X, 6W/UN7LZ, 8Q7CF, 9H1SP, 9M6XRO, A92IO, AO8LH, BG2AUE, C31PP, CR2F, CX5CBA, DJ0QN, DO1DXX, DO6NIK, DS3HWS, DU3/N0QM, EA5AR, EX2B, F5NTZ,

FG8OJ, H40T, H44G, H44KW, HP0INT, HP0INT/2, HP0INT/3, HP0INT/4, HP0INT/9, LT1F, LW7DUC, LX7I, LY2MM, OD5ZZ, OG3I, OK1WCF, ON8RH, OX3LX, OY4TN, PJ2/G3TXF, RX6AM, T88TV, TF3ZA, TX5K, UA3OA, UT5UGR, UY1HY, VE2CSI, VK6IR, XW1YC, XW0JYJ, YB1C, YD1CSV, YD2MDU, YE1C and ZS3Y

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 2W0VOW, 9G5TT, A71CM, A71CT, AO5FX, ES1QD, FO/UT6UD, H40IOTA, H44IOTA, HH5/KC0W, HK1X, HK1XX, HP1RIP, HQ3W, HQ8D, HQ8S, JY5HX, KL7NWR, SZ7SER, T6SM, TT8/US3EZ, V5/DF2UU, VK5CE/p, VP2V/W9DR, VP9/AA1AC, YB3MM/p, YB3MM/7 and YV5EED

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: NONE REPORTED THIS WEEK!!

S2, BANGLADESH (Project 2013 by MDXC - Press Release #4). The Mediterraneo DX Club (MDXC) announced on Tuesday, October 1st, that they received two callsigns for their Bangladesh operation [edited]: "Great news from the Mediterraneo Dx Club International Team. The leader Antonio, IZ8CCW, and the co-leader Gabriele, I2VGW, are happy to announce to the Dxer Community that, after many months of hard work and with the great help of a local friend, Manjur, they became able to obtain a wonderful couple of twin callsigns that will accompany the team during their new DXpedition in Bangladesh: S21ZBC and S21ZBB
As a matter of fact, they are going to use the first one (S21ZBC) from the DXpedition starting (November 16th) to November 22nd included, and then they'll shift on the other call (S21ZBB) that they'll use starting from November 23rd for the CQ WW CW CONTEST week-end and the remaining days till they leave the Country.
For any further news and updates please visit the official web site of Bangladesh 2013 adventure: http://www.mdxc.org/bangladesh2013
Any donation will be,of course,very very appreciated by the team.
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'support DXpedition'
<www.mdxc.org>"

T6, AFGHANISTAN. Jean-Marc, ON4JM, just received his official T6 license from the ISAF HQ. Look for him to be active as T6JR from Camp Marmal, near Mazar e Sharif, in the northern part of Afghanistan, until the end of December. Activity will be on CW and SSB. QSL via ON4JM, direct or by the Bureau.

T8, PALAU. Kiichi, JF1LUT, will once again be active as T88IK from Arakabesan Island, Koror (OC-009), between October 8-15th. Activity will probably be on 17-6 meters SSB only. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

TK, CORSICA. Mek, SP7VC, will be active as TK/SP7VC from Corsica Island (EU-014) between October 22-28th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using SSB and FSK441 via meteor scatter on 6m from WW Loc. JN42. Also, he will be in the CQWW DX SSB Contest ((October 26-27th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/ High-Power entry. QSL via LoTW or direct to SP7VC.

TO1, FRENCH GUYANA. Herve, F5HRY, will be active as TO1A during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (10m)/High-Power entry. QSL via LoTW.

TO2, MAYOTTE (Reminder). Members of the "Italian Dxpedition Team" are now active as TO2TT from Mayotte Island until October 17th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. They will have with them four Elecraft K3 w/amps, one Spiderbeam (20-10m), two yagis (20-10m), three vertical antennas (80/40/30m), longwire for 160m and 3 element Cubical Quad for 6m. For more details and updates, see the following related Web pages: Official website: http://www.i2ysb.com
Official forum: http://www.hamradioweb.org

TO4, MARTINIQUE (Reminder). By the time you read this, Thierry, F4BDG, will be active as TO4FM from Martinique (NA-107) until October 20th. Activity will be on the HF bands. QSL via EA5GL or on eQSL and LoTW.

VK9L, LORD HOWE ISLAND. Fred, VK3DAC, will be active as VK9DAC from Lord Howe Island (OC-004) between October 14-20th. His suggested frequencies are on or around 3595, 7105, 14250, 21250, 28450 and 50150 kHz, but during his early mornings and into the evenings as time and conditions permit. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

VK9M, MELLISH REEF (News from the VK9MT Web Site): "We are pleased to announce the selection of a boat and crew. Steve Kafka, owner and skipper of the expedition yacht Evohe <http://www.expedition-sailing-vessel.com/> has agreed to be our transportation partner for Mellish Reef 2014. Steve's pricing and willingness to negotiate a fair price is very much appreciated. Evohe and crew are experienced in doing DX-peditions, we are very happy to again have Steve and his crew on the team." For more details and updates, visit the VK9MT Web page at: http://www.vk9mt.com

YJ, VANUATU. Operators Kanno/JA2AAU, Iwao/JA2LSS, Iku/JA2ATE and Tug/JA2ZS (team leader) will be active as YJ0AU, YJ0CJ, YJ0TE and YJ0ZS, respectively, from the Iririki Island Resort, Port Villa, between November 1-11th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via the following: YJ0AU and YJ0CJ via JA2ATE direct only; YJ0TE via JA2ATE and YJ0ZS via JA2ZS.

ZF2, CAYMAN ISLANDS. Curt, N0OK, will be active as ZF2OK from Grand Cayman Island (NA-016) between December 1-8th. Activity will be holiday style mostly on the Digital modes. QSL via N0OK.

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21703. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-10-06 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21703

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:Issued: 2013 Oct 06 1201 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 31006
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 06 Oct 2013, 1210UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 06 Oct 2013 until 08 Oct 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Quiet conditions (<50% probability of C-class flares)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 06 Oct 2013 10CM FLUX: 108 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 07 Oct 2013 10CM FLUX: 109 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 08 Oct 2013 10CM FLUX: 111 / AP: 007
COMMENT: Flaring activity is expected to be below C-class. Quiet (K<4) geomagnetic
conditions are expected. A partial halo CME was observed by LASCO, leaving
the Sun towards the SE quadrant on Oct 4, 19:18 UT and an homologous event
on Oct 5 07:09 UT. From STEREO imagery, the last event is determined to be
back-sided and will thus not have geomagnetic consequences. Arrival at
STEREO-B is expected in the coming days. For the first event this is not so
clear (STEREO data gap) but we presume it is back-sided too, given its
similarity and absence of on-disk associated phenomena.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 038, BASED ON 13 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 05 Oct 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 106
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 003
AK WINGST : 000
ESTIMATED AP : 001
ESTIMATED ISN : 042, BASED ON 16 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
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21704. Ohio/Penn DX Special Bulletin #1131.1

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-10-06 21:57:37 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 21704 Message: 21704

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**** NOTE FROM EDITOR: These items would have been included into today's bulletin, but I was on the road early this morning heading back to Ohio (arrived 5:00 PM EDST) from Tennessee.

CY0, SABLE ISLAND (Update). OPDX received the following from the team on Sunday [edited]: "As of 0000z on October 6th, the CY0P DXpedition team has 18,203 contacts in the log including 900 to Japan where CY0 is in the Top 20. Not sure on the departure date as it depends on the weather and the condition of the beach landing. We are scheduled for a Tuesday flight but schedules mean nothing when dealing with the weather and landing conditions! Right now Parks Canada advises the landing area has too much loose sand. We have been experiencing strong winds but nothing out of the ordinary for Sable. One of the fiberglass antenna masts broke in the strong winds but we were able to make repairs and it is operational again. We will keep operating until the last possible hour. Will keep you posted..... Murray Gary Rick CY0P Team"

NCDXF PRESS RELEASE (W7OO Contribution Challenge) [edited]: "The Northern California DX Foundation is pleased to announce the establishment of the W7OO Contribution Challenge.
Long-time DXer Bill Everett, W7OO, has issued a challenge to the world-wide DX community to contribute to NCDXF: Bill will match contributions received by NCDXF from October 15th to the end of December 2013.
This is a terrific opportunity to make your contribution count. If your employer has a matching contribution program your gift of $50 will result in $200 to NCDXF! There are many DXpeditions coming on the air over the next year, so please take this unique opportunity to have your dollars count and make it possible for NCDXF to support additional DX expeditions.
As a reminder, for those contributors who file United States income tax returns, contributions to NCDXF are tax-deductible as NCDXF is a Section 501(c)(3) entity with the IRS.
For over 50 years, NCDXF has funded major DXpeditions to many Most

Wanted countries. The credit for these large grants goes to the NCDXF
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Glenn Johnson, W0GJ
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21705. DXpeditions 2014

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-10-06 22:07:34 UTC
From: Frosty
Topic: 21705 Message: 21705

DXpeditions for the year 2014

I have had several inquiries about going over to Southern Africa and doing a DXpedition. Everyone asks when the next trip is. In looking over the 2014 calendar I have thought about the following times.

· Feb: CQ WW WPX RTTY CONTEST

ARRL INTERNATIONAL CW DX CONTEST

· March: CQ WPX SSB CONTEST

ARRL INTERNATIONAL SSB DX CONTEST

· May: CQ WPX SSB CONTEST

· July: IARU HF WORLD CONTEST

· Sept: CQ WW RTTY CONTEST

· Oct: CQ WW SSB CONTEST

· Nov: CQ WW CW CONTEST

· Dec: ARRL 160 CONTEST

ARRL 10 METER CONTEST

Aside from the above suggestions, if you or a group have something else in mind as a preference for either dates or to cover a specific contest, please feel free to reach out to me via email at 3da0cf@... so we can talk about possibilities. I can cover various destinations and have plenty of experience coordinating these trips.

With fixed infrastructure in places at some venues for 7P8, A2, and 3DA, I can also cater for different venues with some upfront planning, such as C9. We are potentially looking at a 9J operation in the not-too-distant future as well.

Non radio activities are available, such as game viewing at Kruger National Park, hunting, Victoria Falls and other tourist attractions, as add-ons to the DXepidition.

Charles Frost

Frosty K5LBU

21706. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-10-07 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21706

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:Issued: 2013 Oct 07 1223 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 31007
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 07 Oct 2013, 1210UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 07 Oct 2013 until 09 Oct 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Quiet conditions (<50% probability of C-class flares)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 07 Oct 2013 10CM FLUX: 107 / AP: 009
PREDICTIONS FOR 08 Oct 2013 10CM FLUX: 105 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 09 Oct 2013 10CM FLUX: 105 / AP: 007
COMMENT: We expect essentially quiet conditions for the solar activity with a risk
for an isolated C class flare from NOAA AR 1856. It produced on October 7 a
C6.2 flare, peaking at 0414 UT. Current coronagraphic observations do not
show a CME related to this event, but data are scarce and this will be
checked in the coming hours. A C1.1 flare occurred on October 6, in Catania
region 95, east of NOAA AR 1859. Peaking at 1424 UT, it was associated with
a dimming and a faint halo CME observed in LASCO C2. This event might have
a weak effect on the geomagnetic activity, triggering active conditions by
the end of Oct. 10. For the current 48 hours, the geomagnetic activity is
expected to remain mostly quiet with possibly an isolated period of
unsettled conditions. Current ACE observations show weak excursions of the
Bz component of the magnetic field down to -5 nT, corresponding to a sector
boundary crossing.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 053, BASED ON 15 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 06 Oct 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 107
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 007
AK WINGST : 002
ESTIMATED AP : 002
ESTIMATED ISN : 036, BASED ON 21 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21707. Old QSL Help

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-10-08 09:34:41 UTC
From: Luciano
Topic: 21707 Message: 21707

My local friend PT7DX is trying to find who
has the logs for K9AJ/KH5 (King Reef1988) . He has
already sent e-mail to all operators involved in the expedition
but nopositive response. The QSL Manager was WA2MOE SK.
Thank you all for any information.

73 de Luciano PT7WA

21708. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-10-08 14:01:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21708

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:Issued: 2013 Oct 08 1228 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
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# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 31008
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 08 Oct 2013, 1210UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 08 Oct 2013 until 10 Oct 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 08 Oct 2013 10CM FLUX: 114 / AP: 010
PREDICTIONS FOR 09 Oct 2013 10CM FLUX: 117 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 10 Oct 2013 10CM FLUX: 120 / AP: 016
COMMENT: Solar activity has been rather low in the past 24 hours, with a C2.3 flare
occurring in NOAA AR 1856, on October 07, 1540 UT (peak time). It doesn't
appear to be associated with a CME. A filament eruption occurred on October
8, after 0800 UT, close to the North-East limb. It is associated with a
CME, which is not geoeffective. We expect eruptive conditions (C flares
possible) for the next 48 hours, as AR 1856 is still capable of an isolated
C-class flare. To a lesser extent, NOAA AR 1861 might also produce a
isolate C-class event. Geomagnetic activity is currently very low and is
expected to remain so for the next 48 hours. Unsettled to active conditions
are foreseen by the end of October 10, due to the possible arrival of the
CME observed on October 6, combined with the influence of a small coronal
hole in the northern hemisphere.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 066, BASED ON 14 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 07 Oct 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 136
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 112
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 006
AK WINGST : 004
ESTIMATED AP : 004
ESTIMATED ISN : 052, BASED ON 26 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21709. Re: [DX-IS] Old QSL Help

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-10-08 14:41:46 UTC
From: Frank T Brady
Topic: 21707 Message: 21709

Hi Luciano
Dave, WJ2O had a web site wj2o.com that helped me get a rare old Kp1
dxpedition qsl.
Give him a try
73 and GL
Frank W0ECS

On 10/8/2013 5:34 AM, Luciano wrote:
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21710. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-10-09 14:01:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21710

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:Issued: 2013 Oct 09 1303 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 31009
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 09 Oct 2013, 1310UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 09 Oct 2013 until 11 Oct 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Minor storm expected (A>=30 or K=5)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 09 Oct 2013 10CM FLUX: 115 / AP: 027
PREDICTIONS FOR 10 Oct 2013 10CM FLUX: 117 / AP: 011
PREDICTIONS FOR 11 Oct 2013 10CM FLUX: 120 / AP: 003
COMMENT: An M2.8 flare peaking at 01:48 UT today was detected in the Catania sunspot
group 5 (NOAA AR 1865) near the south-east solar limb. The associated CME
was narrow and is not expected to arrive at the Earth. This sunspot group
is expected to provide more flaring on the C-level and possibly even up to
the M-level. An interplanetary shock wave was detected by ACE and
SOHO/CELIAS around 20:00 UT on October 8. The solar wind speed in the post-
shock solar wind flow reached 700 km/s, and the interplanetary magnetic
field (IMF) magnitude reached 35 nT, with brief intervals of strong (up to
-20 nT) southward fields. Dourbes, NOAA, and IZMIRAN reported minor storm
conditions (K = 5). This interplanetary disturbance is most probably
associated with the halo CME observed on the Sun on October 6. Currently
the solar wind speed is around 590 km/s. The IMF magnitude is around 10 nT,
but the north-south Bz component is close to zero. The decrease of the
proton temperature might indicate the imminent arrival of the magnetic
could. Due to high solar wind speed and IMF magnitude, disturbed
geomagnetic conditions up to the minor storm level (K = 5) are still
possible.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 077, BASED ON 08 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 08 Oct 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 112
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 043
AK WINGST : 015
ESTIMATED AP : 017
ESTIMATED ISN : 066, BASED ON 21 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
09 0123 0148 0156 ////// M2.8 05/1865 VI/1III/1II/1IV/1
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21711. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-10-10 14:01:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21711

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:Issued: 2013 Oct 10 1230 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 31010
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 10 Oct 2013, 1210UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 10 Oct 2013 until 12 Oct 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Active (M-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Active conditions expected (A>=20 or K=4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 10 Oct 2013 10CM FLUX: 118 / AP: 021
PREDICTIONS FOR 11 Oct 2013 10CM FLUX: 122 / AP: 010
PREDICTIONS FOR 12 Oct 2013 10CM FLUX: 126 / AP: 007
COMMENT: Despite up to eight active regions, solar activity has been rather low in
the past 24 hours, with moderate C class flares from NOAA AR 1861 and 1865.
We foresee active conditions for the next 48 hours with a fair chance for
an isolated M class event from these two regions. AR 1861 quickly evolved
in the past 24 hours, with the leading spot developing a delta magnetic
configuration. AR 1865 remains a complex region, and is still capable of
producing M flares. C flares are possible from NOAA ARs 1862 and 1856. We
expect geomagnetic activity to stay at unsettled to active conditions
levels for the next 24 hours (as a sector boundary crossing is expected by
the end of Oct. 10) and then return to mostly quiet conditions in the
second half of October 11. Current ACE observations show a very slow return
to quiet solar wind conditions after the shock of late Oct. 8, and the
subsequent crossing of the associated ICME, which started on Oct. 9 around
1000 UT.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 083, BASED ON 11 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 09 Oct 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 145
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 113
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 031
AK WINGST : 025
ESTIMATED AP : 028
ESTIMATED ISN : 080, BASED ON 17 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21712. ARLD041 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-10-10 22:11:37 UTC
From: jjreisert@...
Topic: 6519 Message: 21712

SB DX @ ARL $ARLD041
ARLD041 DX news

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QST de W1AW
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>From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT October 10, 2013
To all radio amateurs

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VIET NAM, 3W. Look for Mike, 3W2DK to be QRV from October 17 to November 2. Activity will be on 20, 17, 15 and 10 meters. QSL via N0ODK.

GUYANA, 8R. Alex, W1CDC plans to be QRV as 8R1A from October 13 to November 1. Activity will be holiday style on 80 to 10 meters with a focus on 80, 30, 17, 12 and 6 meters using CW. QSL to home call.

SIERRA LEONE, 9L. Jerry, K4ZIN and William, N4WDT will be QRV as 9L1JT from October 15 to 22. Activity will be on the HF bands with a focus on 30, 17 and 12 meters with two stations active 12 hours each day. QSL direct via N4WDT.

BHUTAN, A5. Operators JH3AEF, JH7EQW and JA3IVU are QRV as A52AEF, A52EQW and A52IVU, respectively, until October 20. Activity is on 160 to 10 meters using CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL to home calls.

MOZAMBIQUE, C9. A large group of operators plan to be QRV as C82DX from October 15 to 22. Activity will be on 160 to 6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via operators' instructions.

ANGOLA, D2. Joao, CT2HPM is QRV as D2CT from Luanda until November 15. Activity is on 20, 17, 15, 12 and 10 meters using mostly RTTY and PSK31. QSL to home call.

SOUTH COOK ISLANDS, E5. Fabio, IZ0YIV is QRV as E51YIV from Rarotonga Island, IOTA OC-013, until October 13 and then Aitutaki Island, IOTA OC-083, from October 13 to 17. Activity is on the HF

bands using SSB and various digital modes. QSL to home call.

ANTARCTICA. Max, IW0HEU will be QRV as IA0MZ from the Mario Zucchelli Base Station beginning after October 14 until January 31, 2014. Activity will be mainly on 20 meters SSB in his spare time. QSL via IW0EFA.

SVALBARD, JW. LA9DL and LA7XK are QRV as JW9DL and JW7XK, respectively, until October 14. They will be active as JW5X in the Scandinavian Activity SSB contest. QSL via operators' instructions.

LITHUANIA, LY. The national Lithuanian ham radio organization Lietuvos Radijo Megeju Draugija is QRV as LY75RMD during October in celebration of its 75th anniversary. QSL via bureau.

SEYCHELLES, S7. Andrea, IZ1MHY is QRV as S79MHY from Praslin Island, IOTA AF-024, until October 17. Activity is on 160 to 10 meters using all modes. QSL to home call.

PALAU, T8. Kiichi, JF1LUT is QRV as T88IK from Arakabesan Island, IOTA OC-009, until October 15. Activity is on 17 to 6 meters using only SSB. QSL to home call.

TURKEY, TA. Special event station TC90TC will be QRV from October 14 to 21 to celebrate the 90th anniversary of the Turkish Republic. Activity will be on the HF bands with all modes. QSL via TA1HZ.

CONGO (REPUBLIC OF), TN. Operators PA3A, PD1AEG, PA8AD and PA8AN will be QRV as TN2MS from October 12 to 24 while part of the 4th DAGOE Mercy Ships Radio DX-Pedition. Activity will be on the HF bands using CW, SSB and RTTY as time permits. QSL via PA3AWW.

EUROPEAN RUSSIA, UA. Special event station R100MFF will be QRV from October 15 to December 15 to commemorate the 100th birthday of the legendary radio operator Michail Fjodorowitsch Feofanov. QSL via UA4AM.

ST. KITTS AND NEVIS ISLANDS, V4. John, W5JON and Cathy, W5HAM are QRV as V47JA and V47HAM, respectively, from St. Kitts until November 10. Activity is on the HF bands using SSB and digital modes. W5JON will be QRV as V49J in the upcoming CQ WW SSB contest. QSL via operators' instructions.

MICRONESIA, V6. Yuki, JH1NBN is QRV as V6P from Pohnpei until October 17. Activity is on 80 to 6 meters using SSB in his free time. QSL to home call.

LORD HOWE ISLAND, VK9L. Fred, VK3DAC plans to be QRV as VK9DAC from October 14 to 20. Activity will be on 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 and 6 meters during his morning and evening hours. QSL to home call.

INDONESIA, YB. Budi, YF1AR will be QRV as YF1AR/0 from Payung Besar Island, IOTA OC-177, from October 12 to 15. Activity will be on 40

to 10 meters using mainly SSB with some CW. QSL via N2OO.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. North American RTTY Sprint, Oceania DX CW Contest, SKCC Weekend CW Sprintathon, NCCC RTTY Sprint Ladder, NCCC Sprint, Makrothen RTTY Contest, Microwave Fall Sprint, Scandinavian SSB Activity Contest, QRP ARCI Fall QSO CW Party, EU Autumn CW Sprint, Arizona QSO Party, Pennsylvania QSO Party, FISTS Fall CW Sprint, PODXS 070 Club 160-Meter Great Pumpkin PSK31 Sprint and the UBA ON CW Contest will certainly keep contesters busy this upcoming weekend. Please see October QST, page 89, and the ARRL and WA7BNM contest web sites for details.
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21713. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-10-11 14:01:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21713

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:Issued: 2013 Oct 11 1221 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
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SIDC URSIGRAM 31011
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 11 Oct 2013, 1210UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 11 Oct 2013 until 13 Oct 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Active (M-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 11 Oct 2013 10CM FLUX: 128 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 12 Oct 2013 10CM FLUX: 132 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 13 Oct 2013 10CM FLUX: 136 / AP: 007
COMMENT: Solar activity is expected to stay at active levels for the next 48 hours,
with M flares likely from NOAA AR 1861 and 1865. AR 1861 continues to grow
in complexity and size and is likely to produce M class events (two C5
flares occurred in this region on Oct. 11). AR 1865 doesn't evolve much,
but retains a capability of producing C and M class flares. A region,
currently behind the East limb (N21) produced a M1.5 flare on Oct. 11, 0723
UT (peak time). It was accompanied by a wide CME, a coronal EUV wave and a
metric type II burst. More M class event might occur in this region, but no
proper assessment can be done until magnetic observations are available. It
is unlikely, due to the position of the source region that the CME will
have an effect on the geomagnetic activity. Finally, there is an indication
of a filament eruption, which occurred on Oct. 11, arount 02-03 UT, north
of AR 1867. Due a data gap in LASCO data, we do not know if a CME is
associated with this event. Geomagnetic activity is expected to be mostly
quiet for next 48 hours. Current ACE observations show very quiet
interplanetary conditions.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 094, BASED ON 10 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 10 Oct 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 121
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 011
AK WINGST : 010
ESTIMATED AP : 011
ESTIMATED ISN : 087, BASED ON 21 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
11 0701 0725 0745 ////// M1.5 160 /////// II/2IV/2III/2
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21714. ARLP041 Propagation de K7RA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-10-11 18:04:43 UTC
From: jjreisert@...
Topic: 6524 Message: 21714

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ARLP041 Propagation de K7RA

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QST de W1AW
Propagation Forecast Bulletin 41 ARLP041
>From Tad Cook, K7RA
Seattle, WA October 11, 2013
To all radio amateurs

SB PROP ARL ARLP041
ARLP041 Propagation de K7RA

Solar activity picked up over the seven days of our reporting week, October 3-9, and the outlook has improved somewhat. There now are no predictions for the solar flux dropping below 100 in the next 45 days. October 6 was the date of the last forecast predicting any flux values below 100. These predictions were for periods later in October and again in November.

Average daily sunspot numbers increased by 47 points to 79, and average daily solar flux increased 3.8 points to 110.4. These averages compare the recent October 3-9 period with the previous seven days, September 26 through October 2.

The latest prediction for solar flux is 125 on October 11-13, 120 on October 14-16, 115 on October 17, 105 on October 18-23, 100 on October 24-29, 105 on October 30-31, 100 on November 1-2, 105 on November 3-4, 100 on November 5-6, and 105 on November 7-15.

Predicted planetary A index is 10 on October 11-12, 5 on October 13, 8 on October 14-15, 10 on October 16, 8 on October 17, 5 on October 18-20, 10 on October 21, 5 on October 22 to November 6, 10 on November 7-8, and 8 on November 9-12.

OK1HH predicts geomagnetic activity as quiet to unsettled October 11, mostly quite October 12, quiet October 13, quiet to unsettled October 14-16, quiet to active October 17-18, quiet October 19-20, quiet to active October 21, mostly quiet October 22, quiet October 23-27, quiet to active October 28, and active to disturbed October 29-30.

NBC news has an article about Tuesday's solar flare, which was strong considering how quiet the Sun has been lately, but was not aimed directly at Earth. Planetary A index rose to 24 on Wednesday, October 9, and Alaska's college A index hit 40.

You can read the article at,
http://www.nbcnews.com/science/strongest-solar-flare-months-unleashed-sun-8C11369482

Tomas Hood, NW7US, who writes propagation columns for CQ, CQ VHF and Popular Communications, sent a video he put together concerning a solar flare mentioned in last week's Propagation Forecast Bulletin ARLP040:

http://g.nw7us.us/19hP1c3

Silverio, IK3IUL sent an inquiry, but replies to him seem to be bouncing. Perhaps he could try again via another email account.

If you would like to make a comment or have a tip for our readers, email the author at, k7ra@....

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service web page at http://arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals. For an explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin, see http://arrl.org/the-sun-the-earth-the-ionosphere. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at http://arrl.org/w1aw-bulletins-archive-propagation. More good information and tutorials on propagation are at http://k9la.us/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://arrl.org/propagation.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of ARRL bulletins are at http://arrl.org/bulletins.

Sunspot numbers for October 3 through 9 were 61, 84, 69, 53, 76, 99, and 111, with a mean of 79. 10.7 cm flux was 113.8, 109.1, 105.9, 106.5, 112, 111.9, and 113.4, with a mean of 110.4. Estimated planetary A indices were 6, 2, 1, 2, 6, 16, and 24, with a mean of 8.1. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 5, 2, 2, 3, 8, 12, and 21, with a mean of 7.6.
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21715. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-10-12 14:01:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21715

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:Issued: 2013 Oct 12 1128 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 31012
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 12 Oct 2013, 1110UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 12 Oct 2013 until 14 Oct 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Active (M-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 12 Oct 2013 10CM FLUX: 132 / AP: 010
PREDICTIONS FOR 13 Oct 2013 10CM FLUX: 134 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 14 Oct 2013 10CM FLUX: 134 / AP: 016
COMMENT: Active conditions are expected to prevail for the next 48 hours, with risks
of M class events from NOAA ARs 1861 and 1865. Both regions are
magnetically complex enough for such class of flares, but somehow do not
show anymore significant evolutions. Many C flares occurred in the past 24
hours related to these two regions. A noticeable one, a C6.2 event,
occurred in AR 1865 on Oct. 11, 1228 UT peak time. It was associated with a
CME, which is heading essentially eastward, compared to the Earth, and is
therefore expected not to be geoeffective. We expect quiet geomagnetic
conditions for the next 24-36 hours, and then unsettled to active
conditions by the second half of Oct. 14, due a small coronal hole becoming
geoeffective. Current interplanetary conditions are quiet.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 077, BASED ON 10 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 11 Oct 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 167
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 129
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 009
AK WINGST : 007
ESTIMATED AP : 006
ESTIMATED ISN : 092, BASED ON 16 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
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21716. qsl

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-10-12 16:21:14 UTC
From: dchamguy@att.net
Topic: 21716 Message: 21716

Does anyone have a current e-mail address to YV5AIE? I lost about 2000 q's of contest logs awhile back, and can not verify his date of qso (I cant't read it). Would like to confirm, but email keeps bouncing. It would make a big difference if he were working on WAS, or Grids QRZ keeps bouncing
TIA
Dale K8TS

21717. Re: [DX-IS] qsl

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-10-12 17:24:40 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 21716 Message: 21717

On 10/12/2013 1:21 PM, dchamguy@... wrote:
> Does anyone have a current e-mail address to ? I lost about 2000 q's of contest logs awhile back, and can not verify his date of qso (I cant't read it). Would like to confirm, but email keeps bouncing. It would make a big difference if he were working on WAS, or Grids QRZ keeps bouncing
> TIA
> Dale K8TS
>

QRZ.COM has yv5aie@... . . . but you said that bounces.
This database seems to have his record archived to pre-2000:

http://hamcall.net/call/YV5AIE%3A2000

It has no email address.

Also doing SH/DX YV5AIE on the DX Cluster shows no spots . . . I have archives of spots going back a number of years on the VE1DXI node and he ain't there.

All of this indicates he isn't very active. Did you just get the QSL request? I see no evidence on the DX Clusters or a Google search that suggests he has been active in the past 5-6 years. When did you work him (what year?)

73, Paul VE1DX

21718. 425 DX Calendar - #1171

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-10-12 18:19:01 UTC
From: <k9or@...>
Topic: 21718 Message: 21718

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21719. 425 DX News - #1171

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From: <k9or@...>
Topic: 21719 Message: 21719

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** DX INFORMATION ****
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3D2 - Andrey, 3D2RA and Stan, 3D2GC/p went QRT from Rotuma earlier than planned, and have been active as 3D2RA/p and 3D2GC from Fiji since 5 October. According to their original plans, they will remain there until 13 October (Andrey) and 15 October (Stan). QSL via home calls. Further information on http://3d2gc.com/.
6W - Mark, AA1AC will operate as 6W/AA1AC on 8-14 December from Le Calao's rental shack in Sonome, Senegal. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX AA1AC]
9L - David, N4WDT and Jerry, K4ZIN will be active as 9L1JT from Sierra Leone on 15-22 October. They plan to be QRV on 160-10 metres, with a focus on 30, 17 and 12m and on the low bands. They will have two stations on the air at least 12 hours a day. QSL via N4WDT. [TNX NG3K]
DU - James, KJ6YAP will be active as DV1/KJ6YAP from Masbate Island (OC-244) between 28 October and 24 November. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX rsgbiota.org http://rsgbiota.org]
E6 - Sasi/JA1KJW (E6AK), Mat/JA1JQY (E6AY) and Kuni/JA8VE (E6AA) will be active from Niue (OC-040) on 3-9 November. They will operate CW, SSB and digital modes on 80-10 metres. QSL via home calls. [TNX NG3K]
EI - Olivier, ON4EI will be active again as EI8GQB from Fethard, Ireland (EU-115) on 20-30 October using an hybrid wind-solar power system from his caravan. He will participate in the CQ WW DX SSB Contest as EI1A. QSL for both callsigns via PA3249. Follow his activity and antenna experimentation on www.qrz.com/db/EI8GQB http://www.qrz.com/db/EI8GQB. [TNX ON4EI]
HB0 - Laci, HA7JTR will be active as HB0/HA7JTR from Liechtenstein on 24-29 October. Main activity will be during the CQ WW DX SSB Contest. He will run 100 watts to a GP for 40-10 metres and an Inverted Vee for 80 metres. QSL via home call. [TNX HA0HW]
HB9 - HB9S, the amateur radio station of the World Scout Bureau, will be on the air from Geneva during the Jamboree On The Air annual event (http://scout.org/en/ information_events/events/ jota_joti http://scout.org/en/information_events/events/jota_joti) on 19-20 October. The 56th JOTA in 2013 will be the last one for HB9S, as

The WSB (the HQ of the World Organization of the Scout Movement)
intends to move out of Geneva next year. QSL via HB9AOF.
I - IT9ATF, IT9NPR, IT9PPG and IT9RDG will participate in the CQ WW
SSB Contest as IF9A from Favignana Island (EU-054) in the
Multi-Single category. QSL via IT9ATF. [TNX NG3K]
J3 - Mark, N2MD and Arnal, N9ACC will be active holiday style as
J3/N2MD and J3/N9ACC from Grenada (NA-024) on 23-30 October. They
will be QRV on 80-6 metres SSB. QSL via LoTW only. [TNX The Daily
DX]
J3 - J34J is the callsign to be used on 20-29 November from Grenada by
a group of Japanese operators [425DXN 1164]. They plan to be
active on 160-10 metres CW, SSB and digital modes, and to
participate in the CQ WW CW Contest. QSL via JA1HGY (OQRS to be
activated on Club Log) and LoTW. [TNX NG3K]
KG4 - Bill, W4WV (KG4WV) and Al, W6HGF (KG4HF) will be active from
Guantanamo Bay (NA-015) on 11-25 October [425DXN 1170]. KG4HF
(www.qsl.net/w6hgf/KG4HF.html http://www.qsl.net/w6hgf/KG4HF.html) will focus on RTTY and
other
digital modes, with some CW when time permits. He will be QRV on
160-10 metres, plus 6 metres if the band is open. "This is not a
vacation", he says. "I plan to operate until I fall asleep". QSL
KG4HF via LoTW or direct to W6HGF (logserach on Club Log). QSL
KG4WV via W4WV, direct or bureau.
KH0 - Miho, JJ2VLY and Yutaka, JQ2GYU will be active as NH0J from Tinian
Island, Mariana Islands (OC-086) on 17-21 October. They will
operate CW, SSB and RTTY on 80-10 metres. Miho will participate in
the JARTS WW RTTY Contest (http://jarts.jp/rules2013. html http://jarts.jp/rules2013.html)
on
19-20 October. QSL via JJ2VLY, direct or bureau. [TNX NG3K]
KH2 - Yuji, JF2WGN will be active as AH2EA from Guam (OC-026) on 17-21
October. All of the QSOs will be confirmed via the bureau, direct
cards should be sent to JF2WGN not later than 31 January 2014.
LY - The Lietuvos Radijo Megeju Draugija, the Lithuanian Amateur Radio
Society, was establihed on 2 October 1938. Celebrating this 75th
anniversary, special callsign LY75RMD will be used until 31
October. QSL via the bureau.
P2 - Akira, JA1NLX (www.asahi-net.or.jp/~yy7a- ysd/P29VNX-2013.htm
http://www.asahi-net.or.jp/%7Eyy7a-ysd/P29VNX-2013.htm) has
rescheduled his trip to Lissenung Island, Bismarck Archipelago
(OC-008), and now he plans to be active as P29VNX on 1-6 December.
He will operate CW, SSB and RTTY on 30-10 metres. QSL via JA1NLX
(direct only) and LoTW. An OQRS for direct and bureau cards will
be available at Club Log (bureau cards will be sent through Global
QSL).
PY - A team from Brazil (PP5ALE, PU5IKE, PU5SVE, PU5UAI, PY5FAB,
PY5JAP, PY5PS, PY5RCB, PY5VC and PY5XH) will be active as PR5C
from Ilha do Mel (SA-047) on 25-30 October, including an entry in
the CQ WW SSB Contest. QSL via PU5SVE, LoTW and eQSL. Further
information at www.pr5c.qsl.br http://www.pr5c.qsl.br
PY0F - Miguel, PY3MM will be active from Fernando de Noronha(SA-003) on

18-28 October. Main activity will be during the CQ WW DX SSB
Contest as PR0F on 40 metres, while outside the contest he will
operate mainly CW as PY0F/PY3MM. QSL via PP5VB. [TNX NG3K]
T8 - Kunio, JO1AEC will be active as T88EC from Palau on 15-23 October.
He will be QRV on 40-10 metres CW, RTTY and JT65. QSl via JO1AEC,
direct or bureau. [TNX The Daily DX]
TK - Mek, SP7VC will be active as TK/SP7VC from Corsica (EU-014) on
22-28 October. He will be QRV on 160-6 metres SSB and FSK441 via
meteor scatter on 6m. He will also participate in the CQ WW DX SSB
Contest. QSL via home call and LoTW. [TNX NG3K]
UA - Special station R100MFF will be active from 15 October to 15
December in remembrance of Mikhail F. Feofanov (1913-1994,
callsigns U4AA and UA4AA). QSL via UA4AM. Further information on
this "legendary radio operator", as well as an OQRS for bureau
cards and details on the relevant award, can be found at
www.cqr4a.ru/r100mff/ http://www.cqr4a.ru/r100mff/ [TNX DXNL]
V2 - Kei, KG2A will be active as V25A from Antigua (NA-100) from 21
November to 1 December. He will operate CW and SSB on 160-10
metres, and will participate in the CQ WW DX CW Contest. QSL
direct to KG2A. [TNX NG3K]
V3 - Dick, AD7AF will be active again as V31RL from Placencia, Belize
on 11-30 October. He will operate CW and SSB on 80-10 metres, with
activity during the CQ WW DX SSB Contest. QSL via home call,
direct or bureau, and LoTW. Logsearch on Club Log. [TNX The Daily
DX]
VP5 - Frank, WA2VYA, and Tony, K4QE will be active from Providenciales,
Caicos Islands (NA-002) on 22-29 October, including an entry in
the CQ WW DX SSB Contest as VP5T (QSL via WA3RHW, direct or
bureau, and LoTW). Outside the contest VP5/WA2VYA will operate CW,
and possibly some RTTY or SSB, with an emphasis on 160, 80, 30,
17, 12 and 10 metres (QSL via WA2VYA, direct - no return postage
is required- or bureau), while VP5/K4QE will be operate mainly
SSB, with an emphasis on 17 and 12 metres (QSL via LoTW). [TNX
WA3RHW]
VP8 - Peter, M1AYI expects to be active as VP8DNY from the Falkland
Islands (SA-002) between 20 October and 19 November. He will
operate SSB on the HF bands. QSL via bureau to M1AYI. [TNX VK7BC]
W - Members of the Jackson County Amateur Radio Association
(www.jcmsara.com http://www.jcmsara.com) will be active as K5R from Round Island (NA-082)
and lighthouse on 18-20 October. They will be QRV on 80-10 metres
CW, SSB and RTTY/PSK31. QSL via AE5JG. [TNX OPDX Bulletin]
W - "Assuming the National Park Service reopens the island in time",
Benjamin, KK6FUT will be on Santa Cruz Island (NA-144) on 19-20
October with a Boy Scout Troop for the Jamboree On The Air. Plan
is to operate QRP (50W or less) on 20, 15 and maybe 40 metres SSB.
QSL via KK6FUT, direct or bureau.
XT - David, OK6DJ and Petr, OK1FCJ will be active as XT26DJ and XT2FCJ
from Burkina Faso on 17-26 November. They will be QRV on 160-10
metres. Look for XT2FCJ to participate in the CQ WW DX CW Contest.
QSL for both callsigns via OK6DJ. Logsearch and QSLling policy at

www.qrz.com/db/XT26DJ http://www.qrz.com/db/XT26DJ
YB - Adhi, YB3MM has plans to operate as YB3MM/p from Bawean Island
(OC-197) this weekend. He expects to be active on 40, 20 and 15
metres SSB and CW, but "nothing is certain until he is actually on
the island and operating", W2FB says.
YB - Budi, YF1AR (www.yf1ar.com http://www.yf1ar.com) will be active as YF1AR/0 from Payung
Besar, Seribu Islands (OC-177) on 12-15 October. He will operate
mainly SSB running 100 watts into a vertical dipole for 20, 15 and
10 metres, and a GP for 40 metres. QSL via N2OO. [TNX YF1AR]
YB - Look for YB8VM/p, YB8XM/p, YC8VDT/p, YC8VFB/p, YD8VKF/p, YD8VRA/p,
YD8VRS/p and YD8VSR/p to be QRV from Saparua Island (OC-070) on
12-15 October. [TNX JN6RZM]
YB - Budi, YF1AR (www.yf1ar.com http://www.yf1ar.com) and Fan, YB0AI will be active as
YF1AR/7 (QSL via N2OO) and YB0AI/7 (QSL via home call) from
Sebatik Island (OC-295) on 23-28 October, including activity
during the CQ WW DX SSB Contest. They will be QRV on 40-10 metres
mainly SSB. This will be the first operation from the Indonesian
side of Sebatik, and it will count as a new one for the Nusantara
Award (the Indoensian Islands Award: www.nusantaraaward.com http://www.nusantaraaward.com)
[TNX
YF1AR]
YB - The YE5R expedition to the Anambas Islands (OC-108) [425DXN 1167]
has been postponed to sometime between 10 and 20 November
(possibly 14-19 November). A large team (YB1AR, YB1HK, YB4IR,
YB5QZ, YB6CA, YB6ODD, YB6VK, YB7GRN, YC2WWW, YC5WIR, YE5TA, YE5YE,
YE6YE, YF1AR and YG5TZ) is expected to participate in the
expedition. QSL via YB4IR. Logsearch and OQRS on Club Log. [TNX
W2FB]

ANTARCTICA ---> Massimo, IW0HEU will be working at the Mario Zucchelli
Station, Antarctica after mid-October until at least 31 January 2014. He
plans to be QRV as IA0MZ in his spare time, typically between 17.30-18.30
UTC around 14333 kHz. QSL via IW0EFA, bureau preferred. [TNX I1HYW]

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**** GOOD TO KNOW ... ****
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NCDXF CONTRIBUTION CHALLENGE ---> The Northern California DX Foundation
(www.ncdxf.org http://www.ncdxf.org) is pleased to announce the establishment of the W7OO
Contribution Challenge. Long-time DXer Bill Everett, W7OO, has issued a
challenge to the worldwide DX community to contribute to NCDXF: Bill will
match contributions received by NCDXF from October 15 to the end of
December 2013. [TNX W0GJ]

QSL JY9FC ---> Boris, E73Y reports that the QSL cards for Jovica, JY9FC
have arrived from the printer. All of the direct requests received so far
(by mail and through Club Log's OQRS) were processed on 5 October.

QSL ZC4LI ---> Phil, G3SWH has managed to obtain copies of the late Steve Hodgson's logs (ZC4LI, 5B4AHA, ZD8LII and G0LII) from his widow and should be able to confirm any outstanding QSOs. All logs have been previously uploaded to LoTW, and there will be log searches available shortly at www.g3swh.org.uk http://www.g3swh.org.uk. "I understand that Steve's widow has already returned to
their sender any unanswered QSL requests at the time of his death", Phil says. "Anyone in that situation should re-apply to me". Steve was not a member of the RSGB, and Phil is unable to process any bureau requests whatsoever.

+ SILENT KEYS + Robert W. Ford, who operated from Tibet as AC4RF on 1948-50, passed away on 20 September at 90 years of age. "His fascinating autobiography, 'Wind Between the Worlds', published in 1957 and available as a free Internet Archive (http://archive.org/ http://archive.org/) download, describes his
time and travails in Tibet and how his radio work nearly cost him his life". [TNX ARRL]
Other recently reported Silent keys include Ulrich Mauer (DK9UMA), Robert B Block (K6LX), Richard N. Olson (K9BWI), Billy W. Putnam (W3EL) and Les Himing (ZL3BG), as well as Raleigh "Lee" Shaklee (W6BH), one of the co-founders of the Northern California DX Foundation, and Panos Gkekas (SY2ALT), eighteen-year-old son of Vangelis, SV2BFN.

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QSLs received direct or through managers: 3DA0TM, 5W0TH, 9A/OM5AW (EU-136), 9G5TT, 9H3MMM, 9M4SLL, A35UD, A52SV, A71CM, A71CT, C31CT, CP4BT, CQ9D (AF-046), CU5AQ, D2QR, EJ0PL (EU-006), ES1QD, F9IE/VK/p (OC-136), FO/UT6UD, FR4NT, GM3VLB/p (EU-123), GX5M (EU-120), H40IOTA, H44AJ (OC-285), H44IOTA, HB0Y/PD5AX, HH2/PA5M, HH5/KC0W, HK1X, HK1XX, HP1RIP, HQ3W (NA-160), HQ8D (NA-223), HQ8S (NA-035), HV0A, JG8NQJ/JD1 (OC-073), JY5HX, K4N, K6VVA/KL7 (NA-050), K8GI/4 (NA-058), KG4RX,KG4TO,KL7NWR (NA-064), MD0CCE, MU0FAL, N4OW (NA-141), NE1RD/1 (NA-148), OH0/OH2FNZ, P29NO, PX8Z (SA-060), S79NU, SV2ASP/A, SZ7SER, T2YY, T6SM, TF4M, TI2CF, TT8/US3EZ, TZ6BB, V31LJ, V5/DF2UU, V63DDD (OC-010), V85TL, VE2CSI, VK5CE/p (OC-261), VP2ETE, VP2V/W9DR, VP5H, VP9/AA1AC, VP9I, XF3/IZ2LSC (NA-045), XV1X, YB1AR, YB3MM/6 (OC-245), YB3MM/7 (OC-166), YB3MM/p (OC-217), YB3MM/p (OC-237), YC9MLL (OC-151), YV5EED, YW5X (SA-054), ZB2JK.

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21720. Re: [DX-IS] qsl

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-10-13 04:46:18 UTC
From: dale cole
Topic: 21716 Message: 21720

Unfortuntly Paul that is the reason I wanted to contact him. His handwriting is unclear when he posted the date on the qsl card which I got in the mail yesterday. I wanted to confirm the date. I lost a great many qso records a year of so ago on a computer crash. My data bases on LoTW anACLog, do not show him up. He refers to me as K9TTT, which I changed in mid summer 2008. It looks like I'm going to handle this as a busted call. I really feel that it is for these very reasons, the sticker type of the data is the only way to go.
Thanks for the info
73
Dale K8TS

From: Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@ve1dx.net>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Saturday, October 12, 2013 1:24 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] qsl

On 10/12/2013 1:21 PM, dchamguy@... wrote:
> Does anyone have a current e-mail address to ? I lost about 2000 q's of contest logs awhile back, and can not verify his date of qso (I cant't read it). Would like to confirm, but email keeps bouncing. It would make a big difference if he were working on WAS, or Grids QRZ keeps bouncing
> TIA
> Dale K8TS
>

QRZ.COM has yv5aie@... . . . but you said that bounces.
This database seems to have his record archived to pre-2000:

http://hamcall.net/call/YV5AIE%3A2000

It has no email address.

Also doing SH/DX YV5AIE on the DX Cluster shows no spots . . . I have archives of spots going back a number of years on the VE1DXI node and he ain't there.

All of this indicates he isn't very active. Did you just get the QSL request? I see no evidence on the DX Clusters or a Google search that suggests he has been active in the past 5-6 years. When did you work him (what year?)

73, Paul VE1DX

21721. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-10-13 14:01:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21721

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:Issued: 2013 Oct 13 1220 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 31013
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 13 Oct 2013, 1210UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 13 Oct 2013 until 15 Oct 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Active (M-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Active conditions expected (A>=20 or K=4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 13 Oct 2013 10CM FLUX: 132 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 14 Oct 2013 10CM FLUX: 132 / AP: 014
PREDICTIONS FOR 15 Oct 2013 10CM FLUX: 134 / AP: 011
COMMENT: Active conditions are foreseen for the next 48 hours, with NOAA AR 1865
being the main candidate for an isolated M class flare, as well as, but to
a lesser extent, AR 1861. An M1.7 flare occurred in AR 1865 on Oct. 13,
0043 UT (peak time). It was associated with a partial halo CME as observed
from SOHO by LASCO. We expect the bulk of this CME to pass south of the
Earth, but a partial hit is not excluded, with a possible arrival time on
Oct. 16, around mid-day, triggering unsettled to active geomagnetic
conditions. We expect quiet geomagnetic conditions for the next 24 hours,
and then unsettled to active conditions by the end of Oct. 14, due a small
coronal hole becoming geoeffective. Current interplanetary conditions are
rather quiet, with weak Bz negative excursions, linked to a sector boundary
crossing.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 094, BASED ON 05 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 12 Oct 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 128
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 013
AK WINGST : 008
ESTIMATED AP : 007
ESTIMATED ISN : 080, BASED ON 20 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
13 0012 0043 0105 S22E17 M1.7 SF 05/1865 VI/2II/1
END
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21722. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1132

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-10-13 19:26:33 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 21722 Message: 21722

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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 6th-October, through Sunday, 13th-October there were 221 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3B9, 3D2, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4X, 5A, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5U, 5V, 5W, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 7P, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9V, 9X, 9Y, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, CY0, D2, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FH, FK, FM, FO, FO/a, FP, FR, FS, FW, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J6, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KH9, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ5, PY, PZ, S5, S7, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TN, TR, TT, TU, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V3, V4, V5, V6, V7, V8, VE, VK, VP2E, VP6, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VR, VU, XE, XW, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YJ, YK, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, Z8, ZA, ZB, ZD7, ZL, ZP, ZS, ZS8

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

5X, UGANDA. Eric, SM1TDE, is currently active as 5X8A from Entebbe. He showed up on the air on October 11th. Activity has been on 40/30/20/17/15

meters CW. However, Eric will be QRT for for 2 days (Monday and Tuesday), but he hopes to be active again between Wednesday and Friday, mainly in the mornings and evenings. He will go QRT after this. QSL via his home callsign. Look for Eric to post more updates and pictures on his Blog page at: http://sm1tde.bloggspace.se

7P, LESOTHO. Gert, ZS6AYU, will once again be active as 7P8GF from Roma between October 23-26th (tentative). Activity will be holiday style on 40-10 meters, CW only and using just 100 watts into a vertical. QSL via ZS6AYU (see QRZ.com).

9A, CROATIA. Operators Tomi/HA4DX and Laci/HA0HW will be active as 9A/homecall and homecall/mm on their way to Croatia between October 18-21st. They will do some work on the yacht before winter and do some sailing for the last time this year. QSLs via the HA Bureau.

9L, SIERRA LEONE (Update). Operators David/N4WDT and Jerry/K4ZIN will be active as 9L1JT from here between October 15-20th. Activity will be on 160-10 meters with a focus on the 30/17/12 meters and lower bands. They will have two stations on the air at least 12 or more hours a day. QSL via LoTW or via their home callsigns.

9L, SIERRA LEONE. Zbig, SP5BTB, will once again be active as 9L1BTB from Freetown for the UN between October 25th and November 10th. Activity this time will only be 20 and 15 meters using a sloper for 20m and a DL special collinear Delta Loop (ON6WG/F5VIF model) for 15 meters. He did not mention what modes he will use, but he does operate CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via his home callsign direct.

9Y4, TRINDADE AND TOBAGO. Chris, 9Y4D (ex-9Y4NZ), will be active during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (20m)/Assisted/Low-Power entry. QSL via 9Y4D (see QRZ.com).

A7, QATAR. Members of the Qatar Amateur Radio Society are heading for the beach again for a Multi-Op entry in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th) as A71BX. Operators mentioned are Saif/A71AM, Ali/A71BX, Abdulla/A71CV, Khalid/A71CO, Mohammad/A71EL, Faisal/9K2RR, Dave/K5GN and Daniel/K1TO. The Field-Day style set-up will begin the weekend before the contest, so look for them from then until sunrise, after the contest is when it all comes down. Activity on the 30/17/12m bands are not planned - the objective is the contest. QSL via EA7FTR. NO BUREAU QSLS.

AFRICAN TOUR (Update). Wim, ON6DX (ex-ON4CIT), will once again return to Togo (Grid Square JJ06rf) on November 18th and will be active as 5V7TH. Activity will be on 40-6 meters, including the 30/17/12 meter bands, using CW, SSB and RTTY. He plans to be on in the evening on 40 and 30 meters. See Web site at: http://dxpedition.be/5V7TH.html
Wim also mentions that he will travel during the day to Benin to collect his TY1 callsign papers which are supposed to be ready. During that same day, he will try to search for a nice QTH in Grand Popo (Benin) for his TY1 DXpedition and move from Togo to Grand Popo, Benin, when everything is sorted out. So, he now expects to be active between November 20th and

December 3rd. Activity will also be on 40-6 meters, including the 30/17/12 meter bands, using CW, SSB and RTTY. He plans to be on in the evening on 40 and 30 meters. See Web site at: http://dxpedition.be/Benin.html QSL both callsigns via his home callsign, direct (2 USDs/EU and 3 USDs/US), by the Bureau, LoTW (uploaded year later) or by the ClubLog's OQRS.

ARRL NEWS (Updating ARRL.NET Forwarding Service). On October 15, 2013, the ARRL will be switching providers for the ARRL.NET E-mail forwarding service. The change will take place at 8:00am Eastern Time. There should be no interruption in the forwarding of messaging during this transition. If you find that delivery of messages to you has been disrupted, please E-mail <itstaff@...>..... Thank You, ARRL HQ Staff

C8, MOZAMBIQUE (Just a Reminder!). An international team of operators will be active as C82DX from Xai Xai (WW Loc KG64) between October 15-22nd. Operators' list has been updated and includes Bill/K1MM, Doug/N1DG, Tom/N4XP, Kevin/K6TD, Charlie/NF4A, Ray/N9JA, Charles/W6OAT, Bruce/W6OSP, Tjerk/ZS6P (C91TJL), Pierre/ZS6PJH and Christian/ZS6RI. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. Suggested frequencies are available in OPDX.1114. QSL via the OQRS by ClubLog (Highly Recommended/Preferred Method) to receive a QSL either direct and by the Bureau. To QSL direct via the mail, send it to: C82DX, Box 333, Bethlehem, GA 30620 USA [Please do not send IRCs. See details on their Web page]. They will not confirm QSOs via the eQSL system. The C82DX Web page is at: http://c82dx.com

CASTLES NEWS.....
October 20th - Ivo, ON7IVO, will be active as ON7IVO/P from V12 Bunkery Castle (WCA ON-01932, BCA AN-208). Activity will be on 40 meters SSB. QSL via his home callsign, by the Bureau or direct.

October 26th - Operators Susanne/ON2SL, Roger/ON4AHQ, Andre/ON4DTO and Erwin ON5BWE will be active as ON5BWE/P from Ordingen Castle (WCA ON-01134, BCA LB-103). Activity will be on 80 and 40 meters only SSB. QSL via ON5BWE, by the Bureau or direct.

CY0, SABLE ISLAND (Update). The CY0P team is now QRT as 1830z, October 9th. They were expected to depart the island that day around 2100z. The team reported on October 8th, at 0100z [excerpts]: "The CY0P DXpedition team reports 24,414 contacts in the log as of 0100z on October 8th. The team reported excellent band conditions with very strong signals. The weather forecast is not looking good for a Tuesday departure..... Needless to say the team is exhausted. There are three operators and three stations so 12-14 hour days at the radio have been the norm." QSL via VE1RGB. For more details and updates, see: http://www.cy0dxpedition.com

ED9, CEUTA AND MELILLA. Operators Jorge/EA7HZ, Julio/EA7JB, David/EA7JW, Cris/EA7RU and Jorge/EA9LZ will be active as ED9Z from Ceuta during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th) as a Multi-? entry. The group will be using all Spiderbeam antennas. QSL via EA5KB and LoTW.

HB0, LIECHTENSTEIN. Laci, HA7JTR, will be active as HB0/HA7JTR from Masescha (1240m ASL) between October 24-29th. Activity will be holiday style on 80-10 meters using 100 watts into a 4 band DunaX Gp for 40-10m, and Inverted Vee for 80m. Laci will also take part in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th). QSL direct via his address on QRZ.com.

HI, DOMINICAN REPUBLIC. Jim, K8MR, will be active as HI/K8MR from Punta Cana between November 15-25th. He plans to be in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/QRP entry. Jim informs OPDX that he will be taking his Elecraft KX3 and some wire and will modestly be operating outside the contest [to keep his wife happy]. He states, "Probably whatever operating I do outside the contest will be focused on the WARC bands." QSL via K8MR.

HK0/S, SAN ANDRES ISLAND (Update). Members of the "DX Friends" will activate San Andres Island (NA-033) between November 1-10th. The current list of operators mentioned are Alberto/EA1SA, Toni/EA5RM (Team Leader), Roberto/EA2RY, Manolo/EA7AJR, Jose/EA7KW, Fabrizio/IN3ZNR, Alain/F6ENO, Tony/F8ATS, Faber/HK6F, Bernard/F9IE, Roberto/HK3CW and Valery/RG8K. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. Suggested frequencies are:
CW - 1824, 3524, 7004, 10104, 14024, 18074, 21024, 24894 and 28024 kHz
SSB - 1845, 3780, 7065/7160, 14195, 18145, 21295, 24945 and 28494 kHz
RTTY - 7035, 10140, 14080, 18100, 21080, 24921 and 28080 kHz
6m - 50105/CW and 50115/SSB
They will have at least 4 stations at the same time on different bands and modes. Equipment is an Elecraft K3 and 3 Icom IC-7000. Antennas are Hexbeams, SpiderBeam, Verticals (160/80/40/30m) and Yagi for 6 meters. QSL via EA5RM direct (see Web page). You can use the OQRS (see Web page) for direct and Bureau cards. More details should be forthcoming, especially their callsign. Visit their Web page at:
http://www.dxfriends.com/SanAndres2013

IOTA NEWS.....
AF-018. Simone, IV3NVN, will be active as IH9/IV3NVN from Pantelleria Island (IIA TP-001, WLOTA 0041) before and after the following contests. During the contests, look for him to sign IH9B. The contests that are scheduled are:
CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th) as a SOSB on 80m
CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) as a SOSB on 80m
2014 CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 24-25th) as a SOSB 40m
QSL via his home callsign by the Bureau.

AF-045. Luc, F5RAV, has cancelled his trip to N□gor Island and will stay on the mainland of Senegal through October 17th.

EU-034. Simo, OH2HAN, will be active as ES0HAM from Estonian Hiiumaa Island between October 17-22nd. Activity will be on 80-10 meters, and the mode will be mainly RTTY. He will participate in the JARTS RTTY Contest (October 19-20th), and is happy to share the Estonia multiplier as much as possible. Outside of the contest some SSB, too. QSL via OH2HAN, by the Bureau or

direct with SASE.

OC-108. Members of the YB Land DX Club will be active as YE5R from
Anambas Island between November 10-20th. Activity will be on
80/40/30/20/17/15/12/10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. The
operators mentioned are Yana/YB1AR, Hendra/YB1HK, Imam/YB4IR,
Anton/YB5QZ, Aled/YB6CA, Fir/YB6ODD, Ady/YB6VK, Ronny/YB7GRN,
Masri/YC2WWW, Wirzamrisal/YC5WIR, Agus/YE5TA, Erizal/YE5YE,
Tara/YE6YE, Budi/YF1AR and Teuku/YG5TZ. QSL via YB4IR. For
more information and updates, visit the following Web pages:
http://www.ybdxc.net/2013/10/ye5r-anambas-island-oc-108.html
http://qrz.com/db/YE5R

OC-109/ (Postponed/Update) John, YB5NOF, informs OPDX that the reason
OC-122/ for the postponement of OC-109 and OC-122, is that his wife had
OC-209/ a stroke on August 23rd, and was in the hospital. He did mention
OC-210. that they will try to activate Tambelan (OC-122) and Siantan
Island (OC-108) some time between April and May of 2014. Exact
days and time will depend on transport and weather. However,
John did say he will activate Sangihe Island (OC-210) and
Talaud Island (OC-209), as well as some small islands around
there at the end of January 2014. Stay tuned for updates! These
operations will count towards the Nusantara Indonesian Island
Award: http://www.nusantaraaward.com
http://www.facebook.com/nusantaraaward

OC-111. Ralph, H44RK (YJ0RK), is planning to activate Emae Island,
Shepherd Islands, sometime soon. Watch his FaceBook page for
updates at: https://www.facebook.com/ralph.kluge?fref=ts

OC-239. Operators Joni/YB9WZJ and Lucky/YD9RQX have postponed their
operation to Waigeo Island.

OC-255. Just a reminder that Craig, VK5CE, will be active as VK5CE/4
from the totally uninhabited and very rare Red Island between
October 16-21st. If like his Flinders Island operation, Craig's
activities will be on 80-10 meters, with most of the operations
being on 40/20/15m, using SSB and PSK. QSL via his home call-
sign. For more details and updates, watch Craig's Blog page at:
http://oc255.blogspot.com.au

OC-262. Bimbo, YB3MM, will be active as YB3MM/4 from Sebesi Island
between October 19-21st. Activity will be on the HF bands.
QSL via IZ8CCW.

OC-295. (New IOTA!) Operators Budi/YF1AR and Fan/YB0AI will be active
as homecall/7 from (never been activated) Sebatik Island between
October 23-28th. Activity will include the CQWW DX SSB Contest
(October 26-27th). Activity will be on 40-10 meters using
mainly SSB as well as CW and the Digital modes. QSL YF1AR/7
via N2OO and YB0AI/7 via his home callsign (see QRZ.com).
For more details about the island and the operation, see:

http://www.yf1ar.com/2013/09/oc-295-sebatik-island-new-iota-for-yb.html
http://id.wikipedia.org/wiki/Daftar_pulau_terluar_Indonesia

SA-047. Members of the CM DX Group will be active as PR5C from Mel Island (DIB-PR-01) during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th) as a Multi-Op entry. A 9 member team will be on the island between October 25-30th. Operators mentioned are Joe/ PY5XH, Evan/PU5SVE, Jose/PY5JAP, Art/PY5VC, Martins/PU5UAI, Fabio/PY5FAB, Cesar/PY5RCB, Jose/PU5IKE, Alex/PP5ALE and Evans/PY5PS. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via PU5VE, by the Bureau, LoTW and eQSL. For more informations, see: http://www.pr5c.qsl.br

J3, GRENADA. Mark, N2MD, is returning to Grenada (NA-024, WLOTA 0718) and will be signing J3/N2MD between October 23-28th. This year is the 30th anniversary of the U.S. intervention and rescue of U.S. medical students in Grenada (1983) during which Mark operated as KA2ORK/J37. He will be joined by Arnal, N9ACC, who will sign J3/N9ACC. Arnal is a U.S. Navy officer (retired) who was also involved in the 1983 mission. Plans are to operate both fixed and mobile. Operations will be on 80-6 meters (SSB) and 2 meter (FM); band conditions and time permitting. Activity will be holiday style but mostly evening hours. QSL via LoTW only.

J3, GRENADA. JA operators Takayuki/JA1MZL, Yutaka/JJ1LIB, Nao/JN1RVS, Masayuki/JN3NFQ and Isao/JH1ROJ will be active as J34J between November 20-29th. Their activity will include the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th). QSL via JA1HGY.

JD1, OGASAWARA (Update). Take, JA1UII, informs OPDX that he will be active as JD1BON from Chichijima Island (AS-031) between November 1-4th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters with 200 watts using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via his home callsign, by the JARL Bureau or direct [see QRZ.com] (w/SASE+2 USDs or 1 IRC).

KG4, GUANTANAMO BAY (Update). By the time you read this, Al, W6HGF, will be active as KG4HF, from Guantanamo Bay (NA-015) between October 11-25th. Al states, "I will focus on RTTY and digital modes, then CW." Operations will be on 160-10 meters and on 6 meters if it opens. QSL Direct to W6HGF. He mentions, "This is not a vacation, I plan to operate until I fall asleep. I will be operating with Bill, KG4WV." They will be on the air for the JOTA to put the local Boy Scouts on the radio. They will complete the antenna repairs from damage by hurricane Sandy and a few minor repair items to the shack. QSL via their home callsigns. For more details and updates, see the Web site at: http://www.qsl.net/w6hgf/KG4HF.html

MOST WANTED DX SURVEY DEADLINE (Just a Reminder!). Carl Smith, N4AA, Editor of The DX Magazine and QRZ DX, wants to remind DXers that the "2013 DX Magazine MOST WANTED Survey" is coming to a close and the deadline is October 15th. This survey is considered to be the most useful and popular tool for many DXers, DX clubs and DXpeditioners when in making decisions to fund and planning upcoming DXpeditions. Look for results to appear in the January/February issue of The DX Magazine. The

survey can be found online at: http://www.dxpub.com/survey/survey2013.html

NH2, GUAM (OC-026). Joel, KG6DX, will be active as NH2DX in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (15m)/High-Power entry. QSL via NH2DX, CBA or QRZ.com address. NO Bureau QSLs.

NH7, HAWAII. Operators Jim/N6TJ and Oliver/W6NV will be active as NH7A from KH6LC's QTH during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th) as a Multi-Op-2 entry. QSL via F5VHJ.

P3, CYPRUS (Press Release). Lee, KY7M, sent out the following press release on October 8th: "The Voodoo Contest Group is leaving behind 20 years of West African CQWW CW contest operations this year to see new places. They will operate from the Cyprus QTH of Voodude 5B4AGN using the callsign P3F in the Multi-Two category. In addition to 5B4AGN, operators will include Roger/G3SXW, John/G4IRN, Ned/AA7A, and Lee/KY7M. The visiting Voodudes may operate before and after the contest as 5B/home-call or 5B4AJX. QSLs for P3F and 5B4AJX are via M0URX."

P4, ARUBA. Robert, W5AJ, will once again be active as P40P for the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th). His operating class is TBD. This is his 12th contesting trip to Aruba. Outside of the contest (before), Robert will be on the air, possibly on 40 meters. QSL via LoTW (Please) or direct to W5AJ. NO BUREAU.

PJ2, CURACAO. Andy, W9NJY, will once again be active as PJ2/W9NJY from Curacao (SA-099, WLOTA LH-0942) between November 19-25th. He is actually there as a team member to help put the Caribbean Contesting Consortium's (CCC) Signal Point Station PJ2T on the air for the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th). His activity outside of the contest will be mainly on CW on 160-10 meters. QSL PJ2/W9NJY via WD9DZV or LoTW. QSL PJ2T via LoTW or W3HNK.

PJ2, CURACAO. Andy, DK5ON, will once again be active as PJ2/DK5ON from Curacao (SA-099, WLOTA 0942) between March 12-29th (2014). Activity will be on 80-6 meters including the 17/12 meter bands using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK. QSL via his home callsign (see QRZ.com). NO eQSL.

PJ7, SINT MAARTEN (Reminder). Philip, WA1ZAM, will be active as PJ7PL, a week before the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th) and a week after. He will be a Single-Op entry during the contest. Outside of the contest, he will try some RTTY. QSL WA1ZAM.

PJ7, ST. MAARTEN (Update). Operators Dennis/K2SX, Les/W2LK and Andy/K2LE will be active as homecall/PJ7 from Dawn Beach on the eastern side of St. Maarten (NA-105, WLOTA 0711) between November 19-26th. QSLs should go to their home calligns. Activity will include this year's CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) using the special callsign PJ7W. QSLs for the contest operation should go to W2LK.

PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (October 14-20th)....
Oct/14th AN Oct/17th AN Oct/19th AN

Oct/15th AN Oct/18th AN Oct/20th AN
Oct/16th HN

SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS/INDEXES AND GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE
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NORMALITY GEOMAG K Values Alpha
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AN - Above Normal Quiet K=0-1 0-7
HN - High Normal Unsettled K=2 8-15
LN - Low Normal Active K=3 16-29
BN - Below Normal Minor Storm K=4 30-49
DIS - Disturbed Major Storm K=5 50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed Severe Storm K=6-9 100-400

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (For October 13th)

4K6AG via RW6HS (d) LN1B via LA8PDA PY5/AL4Q via DJ8QP (*)
5X1NH via G3RWF LU9CBM via EA6SK (d) SA2Z via SM2YPZ
5X8A via SM1TDE NH2T via W2YC SA6P via SA6AVB
CO2IR via EB7DX OG6N via OH6NIO SB3W via SM3RAB
CR2H via PT7ZT OG7F via OH2FNZ SG5W via SM5IMO
CT9/SM0GNS/P via SM0GNS OG7X via OH4XX SG8X via SM5AQD
D2QR via RW6HS (d) OH0R via OH2PM SN0WFF via SP5X
EA5/DO1PGA via DO1PGA (d) OH0Z via W0MM SV8/SM0JHF via SM0JHF
ED1DST via EA1DST OK5MM via OK2JS T88IK via JF1LUT
EG1RGC via EA1SV OQ100LAKEN via ON6TI V6P via JH1NBN
FR/DJ7RJ via DJ7RJ OU4O via OZ1FAO XP1A via OZ1ACB
HK1MK via DL6IAK OV0V via OZ3ABE YO/PB2T/P via PB2T
II0GMC via M0OXO OV9A via OZ1KZX YO900TO via YO5TO
J8/DH5FS via DM5JBN OW75FOC via G3SWH YP2GEO via YO2KAR
KH0M via JF1VXB PA800GTB via PA1BM
LG5LG via LA4EKA PJ2/PD4JOF via PD4JOF
(e) eQSL only (d) direct only (B) Bureau only (L) LoTW only
(*) NO QSL-SERVICE FROM SEPTEMBER 2013 to APRIL 2014

II8LH/9 was activity this past weekend from Max, IT9AKC, from the Capo
Peloro Lighthouse (JM78TG), Reference Numbers ARLHS ITA-031 and SI-001
WAIL. QSL via HB9FHZ (USKA Bureau), direct to IK8YFU, eQSL or LoTW.
For more info, see: http://www.calabriadxteam.it

QSLS FOR ZC4LI, 5B4AHA, ZD8LII AND G0LII. Phil, G3SWH, announced:
"I am pleased to advise that I have managed to obtain copies of Steve's
(G0LII) logs from his widow and should be able to confirm any outstanding
QSOs. All logs have been previously uploaded to LoTW. There will be log
searches available shortly at: http://www.g3swh.org.uk
I understand that Steve's widow has already returned to their sender
any unanswered QSL requests at the time of his death. Anyone in that
situation should re-apply to me. Please note that as Steve was not a
member of the RSGB, I am unable to process any bureau requests what
so ever....."

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: DK2OY, G3XVR, G8NEO, ID9Y, OH1TD, OM3DX, PY0F/PP1CZ, SP6NXG, SU9AF and TO7Y

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 5W0TH, CU5AQ, D2QR, EJ0PL, HV0A, P29NO, TF4M and VE3FUJ

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 5B/R2DX, 6V7S, 7O6T, 9U0VB, D2QMN, D3AA, E40VB, EA8/RW3DO, EF8M, FM/R5GA, HC2/UA4WHX, JT7WFF, R60SKV, R1150VN, R1941MB, RI0NZ, SU9AF, UE75VV, V26AO and V26DZ

S7, SEYCHELLES. By the time you read this, Andrea, IZ1MHY (MDXC #055), will be active as S79MHY from Praslin Island (AF-024), Seychelles, until October 17th. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via his home callsign. For more information, an online log search and etc..., visit the Web site at: http://www.mdxc.org/s79mhy

ST, SUDAN (JOTA Op). Members of the "Boy Scouts of Sudan" (ST2BSS) will participate and operate from the Khartoum Sea Scout Amateur Radio Club (ST2KKS) for the 56th Jamboree On The Air (JOTA) activities. Operations are expected to be on all bands and modes. QSL via ST2M. For more details, see QRZ.com.

T30, WEST KIRIBATI (Update). Operators Ted/JF1CCH and Kazu/JA1FUF will be active as T30TS and T30NK from West Kiribati between November 28th and December 4th. Activity will be on the HF bands (all mostly 40-10m) and possibly 6m, using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK. Ted will operate mainly on CW and SSB, while Kazu will operate mainly RTTY and PSK. They will use 100 watts into a dipole. QSL via their home callsign, direct, by the Bureau and eQSL. NO LoTW.

T48, CUBA. Members of the "Las Tunas Contest Crew", T48K, will be active once again during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th) as a Multi-Single or a Multi-2 entry from "La Herradura" on the north coast of the Las Tunas Province. Operators mentioned are Doug/CO8DM, Alex/CO8KA, Raúl/CO8ZZ, Ernesto/CO8GJ, Carlos/CO8CML, Alex/CM8AKY and Jose/CM2XN. They are going to use a two element vertical and slopers very close to the salt water. The QSL Manager is Erhard, DK1WI.

TM1, FRANCE. Members of the F6KOP team will enter the next CQWW DX SSB Contest as TM1A and as a Multi-Multi category, from its facilities of Provins City (100 km SE of Paris). Well known DXpeditioner/Contester, Frank, F4AJQ, will lead the team of operators: YL Sophie/F4DHQ, Olivier/F4FLF, Yann/F1NGP, Silvain/F4ERS, Jimi/F4DLM, Benoît/F1JHB, Johan/F4GTD, Thierry/F4BDG, Antoine/F5RAB, Christian/F6AXN, Alain/F5JTV, Maurice/F5NQL, Damien/F4EZF, Joël/F6JMT, Thierry/F4TTR and may be Jean-Luc/F1ULQ and Florent/F4EJL. Some of the above operators have been active in the past during contests and DXpeditions which include 5V, J5, XT2, FY, 3V, 5X8, 5H, PJ4, IS0 and many other DXpeditions to French IOTAs. QSL via F6KOP through the French REF Bureau (and please only this one).

V3, BELIZE. By the time you read this, Dick, AD7AF, should be active as V31RL from Placencia until October 30th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using CW and SSB. He will try to focus on working JA and EU stations. His

operations will also include the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th). QSL via AD7AF. Log will be uploaded to LoTW after his return.

V3, BELIZE. Marc, V31MA, will be active with the special callsign V3A during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL via M0OXO. QSOs are regularly uploaded to LoTW, eQSL and ClubLog.org.

VP2V, BRITISH VIGRIN ISLANDS. Art, N3DXX, will once again be active as VP2V/homecall from Virgin Gorda (Tortola) between November 19-29th. Activity will include the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via NR6M.

VP5, TURKS AND CAICOS ISLANDS. Operators Frank/WA2VYA and Tony/K4QE will be active as VP5T during the upcoming CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th) from Providenciales (NA-002). QSL via WA3RHW, direct or by the W3 Bureau, (not the VP5 bureau) and LoTW. Frank will sign VP5/WA2VYA outside of the contest between October 22-29th, and will be active on CW, with an emphasis on 160/80/10 meters, and the 30/17/12 meter bands, and possibly some RTTY or SSB. QSL via WA2VYA, direct or by the Bureau. No return postage is required; Frank would like to receive your QSL card. Tony will sign VP5/K4QE outside of the contest between October 22-29th, primarily on SSB, with an emphasis on the 17/12 meter bands. QSL via LoTW.

VP8, FALKLAND ISLANDS. Peter, M1AYI, is expected to be active as VP8DNY from the Falkland Islands between October 20th and November 19th. Activity will be on the HF bands using SSB. QSL via his home callsign by the RSGB Bureau.

VP8, FALKLAND ISLANDS. Mick, G1EUZ (ZD8RAF), will once again be active as VP8BTU from the Falkland Islands between November 25th and May 25th, 2014. Activity will be on the HF bands. QSL via his home callsign. Cards will not be sent out until he returns home. Also, log will be uploaded to LoTW on his return home.

XR0, JUAN FERNANDEZ ISLAND (Press Release - XR0ZR Countdown). The following was sent out on October 8th [edited]: "There are now less than 30 days to our departure. The Team will start from Italy, of the 6th of November, and we plan to be active on the late evening of November 8th (GMT). We will leave from Santiago, aboard two twin-engine Cessna and after about two hours, of adventurous flight, we land on the Juan Fernandez airport. Arrived on island, we reach our location, in about two hours, aboard two boats, as there are no road links. In all, if the weather conditions will be tolerant, and it will allow us to meet our destination. Compatibly to the location, we believe to be able to install 3 beams looking on the sea, two loops, one for 30 and one for 40 meters, other than the usual vertical for 80 and inverted L for 160. Will also be installing a beverage of about 200 meters on the beach facing the sea. We should have sporadic access to the Internet, and then try to send the logs to ClubLog, once a day. If for any reason this is not possible, do not panic, know that we will do so as soon as possible, and in any

case the logs will be saved in 3 backup copies.
As always, we ask you not to make dupes QSOs, in order to give the
opportunity for everyone to contact us in various bands and modes.
You can follow XR0ZR Team on the following media links at:
Website : http://www.juanfernandez2013.com
FaceBook : https://www.facebook.com/groups/xr0zr/
Twitter : @xr0zr
I'm sure we'll all have fun together, and that we will have fun.
73, Fabri ☐ IW3SQY"

XT2/XT26, BURKINA FASO. Operators David/OK6DJ and Petr/OK1FCJ will be
active as XT26DJ and XT2FCJ between November 17-26th. Activity will
be on 160-10 meters including the 30/17/12 meters using CW and SSB.
They also will be in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) as XT2FCJ.
Their set up will be Elecraft K3 and Kenwood TS-480 into a Spiderbeam
antenna (20/15/10m - including the WARC), a vertical (40-10m), 80m dipole
and LW for 160m. QSL via OK6DJ for both callsign. QSL methods are: the
ClubLog OQRS (for LoTW - confirmed every day), direct (minimum 2 USDs or
new IRC (accepted IRC that expire in 2017; QSO confirmed to LoTW every
day), OQRS by the Bureau, LoTW and eQSL (confirmed 6 months) and paper
QSL via the Bureau (confirmed 12 months).

XV2, VIETNAM. Toshitaka, JA3NHL, will once again be active as XV2NHL
from Ho Chi Minh City between November 2-8th. Activity will be on 160-6
meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via JA3NHL.

YE2, INDONESIA. Members of the ORARI Semarang Contesting Team will be
activating YE2C for the first time during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October
26-27th) as a Multi-Single entry. Operators mentioned Agus/YC2BYC, Bobby/
YC2SBG, Pur/YC2FNT, YL Sri/YB2BSE, Edi/YC2PWL, Bamband/YB2ERL, Jon/
YB2ECG and Adi/YD2PST. QSL via LoTW (PLEASE). For more info on the YE2C
station, see: http://ye2c.wordpress.com

Z21, ZIMBABWE. Mirek, SP5IXI/VK6DXI, will be active as Z21DXI from Bulawayo
starting October 14th for 2-4 weeks. He states that this is a business
trip. His activities will limited after his working hours. Operations
will be on 160-6 meters using only 100 watts and simple wire antennas.
Mirek has operated from Zimbabwe before: February 4-12th and December
6-17th of 2010. QSL via SP5UAF, by the Bureau or direct. Online log
will be available at: http://www.sp5ixi.dxing.pl/z21dxi

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Subscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@...?subject=subscribe>
Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@...?subject=unsubscribe>
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21723. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-10-14 14:01:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21723

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:Issued: 2013 Oct 14 1310 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 31014
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 14 Oct 2013, 1310UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 14 Oct 2013 until 16 Oct 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Active (M-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Active conditions expected (A>=20 or K=4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 14 Oct 2013 10CM FLUX: 130 / AP: 010
PREDICTIONS FOR 15 Oct 2013 10CM FLUX: 130 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 16 Oct 2013 10CM FLUX: 130 / AP: 011
COMMENT: Several C-class flares in past 24h, the strongest being a C4.5 flare
peaking at 17:58 UT on October 13, from NOAA AR 1861 (beta gamma magnetic
field configuration). This AR, and in particular AR 1865 (beta-gamma-
delta), can produce M-class flares in the next 48h. Geomagnetic conditions
are currently unsettled due to the arrival of a fast speed stream from a
coronal hole. The solar wind speed is at 500 km/s with magnetic field
intensities currently at 7 nT. Conditions may reach active levels.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 097, BASED ON 09 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 13 Oct 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 129
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 006
AK WINGST : 002
ESTIMATED AP : 002
ESTIMATED ISN : 094, BASED ON 15 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21724. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-10-15 14:01:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21724

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:Issued: 2013 Oct 15 1244 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 31015
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 15 Oct 2013, 1210UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 15 Oct 2013 until 17 Oct 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Active (M-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Active conditions expected (A>=20 or K=4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Warning condition (activity levels expected to increase, but no numeric
forecast given)
PREDICTIONS FOR 15 Oct 2013 10CM FLUX: 125 / AP: 016
PREDICTIONS FOR 16 Oct 2013 10CM FLUX: 123 / AP: 013
PREDICTIONS FOR 17 Oct 2013 10CM FLUX: 122 / AP: 007
COMMENT: Solar activity has been moderate, many C-class flares were detected from AR
1865, 1861 and from an AR behind the east limb (related to a backsided
partial halo CME on October 14 at 22:00 UT). NOAA AR 1865 produced an M1.1
flare with peak at 09:00 UT. There are clear dimmings as signs of a CME in
SWAP and AIA data but no coronagraph images yet to confirm. Due to the
location of this AR (S21 W16), an ejection has strong chances of being
Earth-directed. As AR 1861 and 1865 are rotating into the western
hemisphere of the Sun, the risk of proton events at Earth has increased, a
warning condition has been set. Geomagnetic conditions have ranged from
unsettled to active due to the fast speed stream from a coronal hole. The
solar wind speed is currently at 500 km/s and the magnetic field intensity
around 5 nT. The effect of the coronal hole-related solar wind is expected
to fade today, even though more active periods cannot be excluded. The
possible arrival (estimated probability of 30%) of the CME from October 13
could raise the geomagnetic conditions up to storm levels late on October
16.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 095, BASED ON 08 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 14 Oct 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 125
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 041
AK WINGST : 024
ESTIMATED AP : 023
ESTIMATED ISN : 096, BASED ON 14 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
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END
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21725. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-10-16 14:01:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21725

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:Issued: 2013 Oct 16 1306 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 31016
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 16 Oct 2013, 1310UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 16 Oct 2013 until 18 Oct 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Active (M-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Active conditions expected (A>=20 or K=4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Warning condition (activity levels expected to increase, but no numeric
forecast given)
PREDICTIONS FOR 16 Oct 2013 10CM FLUX: 125 / AP: 012
PREDICTIONS FOR 17 Oct 2013 10CM FLUX: 125 / AP: 010
PREDICTIONS FOR 18 Oct 2013 10CM FLUX: 124 / AP: 007
COMMENT: Solar activity has been moderate, many C-class flares were detected from AR
1865, 1861. NOAA AR 1865 produced an M1.3 flare with peak time at 23:36 UT
on October 15, no CME was associated with this flare. More M-class flares
can be expected from these two active regions. The CME associated with the
M1.8 flare from yesterday peaking at 08:38 UT is not expected to arrive to
the Earth. Geomagnetic conditions have ranged from quiet to unsettled due
to the fast speed stream from a coronal hole. The solar wind speed is
currently at 480 km/s and the magnetic field intensity around 4 nT. We
expect quiet conditions, except for the possible arrival (estimated
probability of 30%) of the CME from October 13 that could raise the
geomagnetic conditions up to storm levels late today.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 092, BASED ON 09 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 15 Oct 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 183
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 125
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 022
AK WINGST : 021
ESTIMATED AP : 020
ESTIMATED ISN : 103, BASED ON 16 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
15 0826 0838 0848 S22W13 M1.8 SN 87 05/1865 III/1
15 2331 2336 2341 S23W20 M1.3 1F 05/1865 III/1
END
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21726. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-10-17 14:01:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21726

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:Issued: 2013 Oct 17 1259 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
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# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
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SIDC URSIGRAM 31017
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 17 Oct 2013, 1210UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 17 Oct 2013 until 19 Oct 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Active (M-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Warning condition (activity levels expected to increase, but no numeric
forecast given)
PREDICTIONS FOR 17 Oct 2013 10CM FLUX: 128 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 18 Oct 2013 10CM FLUX: 125 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 19 Oct 2013 10CM FLUX: 124 / AP: 007
COMMENT: Solar activity has been low, there is potential for moderate conditions in
NOAA ARs 1861 and 1865. They have been both producing C class flares,
together with 1870 and 1867. AR 1865 produced the strongest flare in the
past 24h: a C8.9 with peak at 14:32 UT on October 16. There was a slow
faint full halo CME, seen first at 15:48 UT (first seen in LASCO C2). It
was related with a C1.8 flare from NOAA AR 1870. The bulk of the material
was directed towards the west, with a speed of 300 km/s. An impact with the
Earth is possible early on October 21, although geomagnetic conditions are
not expected to be greatly affected by this weak event. The solar wind
speed at the L1 point is 450 km/s with magnetic fields around 4 nT.
Geomagnetic conditions have ranged from quiet to unsettled, quiet
conditions are expected for next 48h.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 102, BASED ON 11 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 16 Oct 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 128
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 019
AK WINGST : 014
ESTIMATED AP : 013
ESTIMATED ISN : 095, BASED ON 15 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21727. ARLD042 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-10-17 22:27:05 UTC
From: jjreisert@...
Topic: 6597 Message: 21727

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ARLD042 DX news

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DX Bulletin 42 ARLD042
>From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT October 17, 2013
To all radio amateurs

SB DX ARL ARLD042
ARLD042 DX news

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by NC1L, ON4EI, the OPDX Bulletin, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, DXNL, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

VIET NAM, 3W. Mike, N0ODK is QRV as 3W2DK from Ho Chi Minh City until October 24. Activity is on 20, 17, 15 and 10 meters. QSL to home call.

CYPRUS, 5B. Tony, RT9T is QRV as 5B4ALB from Pachyammos, IOTA AS-004, until November 4. QSL direct to home call.

SENEGAL, 6V. Vlad, RK4FF plans to be QRV as 6V7S from October 22 to November 27. Activity will be on 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL to home call.

LESOTHO, 7P. Gert, ZS6AYU will tentatively be QRV as 7P8GF from Roma from October 23 to 26. Activity will be holiday style on 40 to 10 meters using CW. QSL to home call.

BAHAMAS, C6. Rich, N0HJZ will be QRV as C6ARW from Grand Bahama Island, IOTA NA-080, from October 22 to 29. Activity will be mainly on 30, 17 and 12 meters using CW and RTTY. This includes being an entry in the upcoming CQ World Wide SSB DX contest. QSL to home call.

CAPE VERDE, D4. Babs, DL7AFS and Lot, DJ7ZG will be QRV as D44TXT from Santiago, IOTA AF-005, from October 19 to November 7. Activity will be on 80 to 10 meters using SSB, RTTY and PSK63 with two stations. QSL via DL7AFS.

IRELAND, EI. Oliver, ON4EI, will be QRV as EI8GQB from October 20 to 30 using wind and solar power. He will be active as EI1A in the upcoming CQ World Wide SSB DX contest as a Single Op/All Band/Low

power entry. QSL both calls via PA3249.

ESTONIA, ES. Simo, OH2HAN is QRV as ES0HAM from Estonian Hiiumaa Island, IOTA EU-034, until October 22. Activity is on 80 to 10 meters using mainly RTTY with some SSB. This includes being an entry in the JARTS RTTY contest. QSL to home call.

ENGLAND, G. Members of the 2nd Twyning Scout Group will be QRV as GB0TWY during the 56th Jamboree On The Air. Activity will be on 40, 20, 15 and 2 meters and 70 cm. QSL via operators' instructions.

SWITZERLAND, HB. World Scout Bureau station HB9S will be QRV in the Jamboree On The Air from Geneva. This is the last time from Geneva because the office is moving to Kuala Lumpur. QSL via HB9AOF.

MARIANA ISLANDS, KH0. Miho, JJ2VLY and Yutaka, JQ2GYU are QRV as NH0J from Tinian Island, IOTA OC-086, until October 21. Activity is on 80 to 10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. This includes being an entry in the JARTS RTTY contest. QSL via JJ2VLY.

BULGARIA, LZ. Special event station LZ2013IPA is QRV until the end of 2013 in commemoration of the International Police Association. QSL via LZ3HI.

CURACAO, PJ2. Scouting Antiano station PJ2SA will be QRV in the Jamboree On The Air. Activity will be on 40 and 20 meters. QSL via operators' instructions.

FERNANDO de NORONHA, PY0F. Miguel, PY3MM is QRV as PY0F/PY3MM until October 28. He will be QRV as PR0F in the upcoming CQ World Wide SSB DX contest. QSL both calls direct via PP5VB.

SUDAN, ST. Members of Boy Scouts of Sudan will be QRV as ST2BSS from Khartoum during the Jamboree On The Air. Activity will be on all bands and modes. QSL via ST2M.

TURKS AND CAICOS ISLANDS, VP5. Frank, WA2VYA and Tony, K4QE will be QRV as VP5/home calls from Providenciales, IOTA NA-002, from October 22 to 29. Activity will be 160 to 10 meters using CW with some SSB and RTTY. They will be QRV as VP5T in the upcoming CQ World Wide SSB DX contest. QSL to home calls and VP5T via WA3RHW.

FALKLAND ISLANDS, VP8. Peter, M1AYI plans to be QRV as VP8DNY from East Falkland Island, IOTA SA-002, from October 20 to November 19. Activity will be on the HF bands using SSB. QSL to home call.

ZIMBABWE, Z2. Mirek, SP5IXI is QRV as Z21DXI from Bulawayo for the next two to four weeks. Activity is in his free time on 160 to 6 meters. QSL via SP5UAF.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The JARTS World Wide RTTY Contest, 10-10 International Fall CW Contest, Stew Perry Topband CW Challenge, Scout Jamboree On The Air, Iowa QSO Party, New York QSO Party,

Worked All Germany Contest, W/VE Islands QSO Party, Feld Hell Sprint, Asia-Pacific Fall CW Sprint, UBA ON 2-Meter Contest and Illinois QSO Party will certainly keep contesters busy this upcoming weekend. The ARRL School Club Roundup is scheduled for October 21 to 25.

The Run for the Bacon QRP CW Contest and NAQCC-EU Monthly Sprint are scheduled for October 21. The SKCC CW Sprint and CWops Mini-CWT Test are scheduled for October 23. Please see October QST, page 89, and the ARRL and WA7BNM contest web sites for details.
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21728. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-10-18 14:01:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21728

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# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 31018
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 18 Oct 2013, 1210UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 18 Oct 2013 until 20 Oct 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Active (M-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Warning condition (activity levels expected to increase, but no numeric
forecast given)
PREDICTIONS FOR 18 Oct 2013 10CM FLUX: 136 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 19 Oct 2013 10CM FLUX: 134 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 20 Oct 2013 10CM FLUX: 132 / AP: 007
COMMENT: Solar activity has been moderate, many C-class flares coming mostly from
NOAA AR 1875 that rotated into view over the eastern limb and has magnetic
beta configuration. NOAA AR 1865 has simplified to a beta configuration but
it is still producing C-class flares. AR 1861 is about to rotate over the
western limb, but remains very active, it produced an M1.2 flare peaking at
15:41 UT on October 17. A faint narrow CME was associated with this flare,
not expected to arrive to the Earth. Geomagnetic conditions have been
quiet and are expected to remain so.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 116, BASED ON 08 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 17 Oct 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 136
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 014
AK WINGST : 011
ESTIMATED AP : 012
ESTIMATED ISN : 105, BASED ON 21 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
17 1509 1541 1558 ////// M1.2 02/1861 III/2
END
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21729. ARLP042 Propagation de K7RA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-10-18 17:29:59 UTC
From: jjreisert@...
Topic: 6602 Message: 21729

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ARLP042 Propagation de K7RA

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QST de W1AW
Propagation Forecast Bulletin 42 ARLP042
>From Tad Cook, K7RA
Seattle, WA October 18, 2013
To all radio amateurs

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ARLP042 Propagation de K7RA

Recent solar activity took a healthy jump this week, with the average daily sunspot number increasing nearly 48 points to 126.9, a positive change of 60 percent compared to the previous week. Average daily solar flux was up 16.4 points to 126.5.

The daily sunspot number rose to 148 on October 15, then 166 on October 17, the highest it's been since May 15-17 when it was 186, 212 and 198.

The average planetary A index was unchanged at 8.1. The high latitude college A index indicated active geomagnetic conditions on October 14-15, when it was 31 and 27.

The latest prediction shows solar flux at 135, 130 and 120 on October 18-20, 115 on October 21-23, 110 on October 24-25, 100 on October 26-29, 105 on October 30-31, 100 on November 1-2, 110 on November 3-4, 115 on November 5, 120 on November 6-7, and 125 on November 8-12.

The predicted planetary A index is 8 on October 18, 5 on October 19-20, 12 and 10 on October 21-22, 5 on October 23 through November 10, 12 on November 11, 5 on November 12-16 and 8 on November 17-19.

F.K. Janda, OK1HH sent his geomagnetic forecast for this week, and it predicts quiet to unsettled conditions October 18, quiet on October 19-20, mostly quiet October 21, quiet to unsettled October 22, quiet October 23-24, mostly quiet October 25-26, quiet to unsettled October 27, quiet to active October 28-29, quiet October 30 through November 3, quiet to unsettled November 4, quiet to active November 5, quiet to active November 6, mostly quiet November 7-8, and quiet to unsettled November 9.

Two weeks ago we offered links to spreadsheets I've been maintaining which show the recent history of the NOAA/USAF 45 day forecast for

solar flux and planetary A index. The recent forecasts are online at http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/ftpmenu/forecasts/45DF.html.

You can download my solar flux spreadsheet at http://snurl.com/280h6pb and planetary A index sheet at http://snurl.com/280h74f . No password needed this time. These can be interesting for checking recent forecast trends, such as when projections for future activity trend up or down, and you can see this clearly when you peruse the spreadsheet. Note how there were projections over the last 3-7 weeks showing predicted solar flux values for some periods at 90 or 95. The most recent predictions show a stronger outlook.

Randy Crews, W7TJ sent this report on October 17: "Last weekend 10 and 12 meters were the best I have heard all Fall. The Solar Flux rising out of the mid nineties doldrums was a BIG help. Looks as if we are going to enter a period of reasonably high solar activity, (Solar flux at 100-125) coupled with a long period of quiet geomagnetic conditions and low solar wind, in addition to the seasonal improvements we have in October. The aforementioned coupled with all the DXpedition activity and the upcoming CQ WW SSB Contest, the bands should be hot! I am making the most of 10 and 12 meter propagation, as I don't think propagation on those bands will be there a year from now. Our solar flux will be pressed to average over 117 this Month. A year ago October's average was 123. I like the old Farm quote: 'Make Hay While The Sun Shines'."

That's right, Randy, flux values were a little stronger a year ago. In Propagation Forecast Bulletins ARLP040 to 044 from 2012, the weekly averages of solar flux were 128.7, 104.9, 129.2, 143.9 and 116.9. It is interesting though that sunspot numbers are higher now. The average sunspot number over this past week was 126.9, but sunspot number averages from those same 2012 bulletins referenced above for solar flux were 73, 51.7, 97, 95.3 and 58.4.

Jon Jones, N0JK, the QST columnist who writes "The World Above 50 MHz" wrote on October 11 from EM28 in Kansas in a message titled, "F2 on 6 meters October 9."

"I heard LW3EX on 50.100 MHz CW weak via afternoon F2/TEP on Oct. 9 about 2040 UTC. Walt and other Argentinean stations were much louder about 3 grids south of me (EM28) in Oklahoma (EM25) and Texas.

"The geomagnetic field was active at the time."

If you would like to make a comment or have a tip for our readers, email the author at, k7ra@....

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service web page at, http://arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals. For an explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin, see

http://arrl.org/the-sun-the-earth-the-ionosphere. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at http://arrl.org/w1aw-bulletins-archive-propagation. More good information and tutorials on propagation are at http://k9la.us/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://arrl.org/propagation.

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Sunspot numbers for October 10 through 16 were 138, 115, 106, 125, 136, 148, and 120, with a mean of 126.9. 10.7 cm flux was 120.7, 129, 127.9, 129.3, 125, 125.3, and 128.1, with a mean of 126.5. Estimated planetary A indices were 9, 5, 5, 2, 13, 14, and 9, with a mean of 8.1. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 7, 3, 3, 2, 10, 14, and 9, with a mean of 6.9.
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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** DX INFORMATION ****
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7P8 - Gert, ZS6AYU plans to be active as 7P8GF from Lesotho on 23-26 October. He will operate holiday style on 40-10 metres CW only. QSL via ZS6AYU, direct or bureau. [TNX NG3K]
9L - Zbig, SP5BTB will be active again as 9L1BTB from Sierra Leone from 25 October to 10 November. He will be QRV on 20 and 15 metres only. QSL via home call (direct). [TNX DX World]
A9 - Special event station A91ACC will be active on the HF bands during the Arab Cycling Championship to be held in Bahrain. Activity days will be 22-24 October and 28-29 October. This amateur radio event is endorsed by H.E. Shaikh Khalid bin Hamad Al-Khalifa, President of the Bahrain Cycling Association. QSL via IZ8CLM. [TNX A92AA]
D4 - The Monteverde Contest Team (http://d4c.cc/ http://d4c.cc/) will participate in the CQ WW DX SSB Contest as a Multi-Multi entry from the D4C station on Sao Vicente (AF-086), Cape Verde. The team includes 9A1TT, CT1ESV, E7DX/OE1EMS, HB9DUR, I4UFH, I4VEQ, IK1HJS, IT9RGY, IT9SPB, IZ1LBG, IZ4DPV, IZ4UEZ, JK3GAD, SG7A and and YL2GM. QSL via IZ4DPV (direct or bureau), LoTW and eQSL. Watch the video teaser on YouTube! (http://youtu.be/gIHsOidudCY http://youtu.be/gIHsOidudCY) [TNX IK1HJS]
E5_sc - Al, K7AR will be active as E51AAR from Rarotonga (OC-013), South Cook Islands on 21-26 October. He plans to operate mainly RTTY, but will also be active during the CQ WW DX SSB Contest. QSL via K7AR, direct or bureau, and LoTW. Logserach on Club Log. [TNX The Daily DX]
ES - Simo, OH2HAN will be active as ES0HAM from Hiiumaa Island (EU-034) on 17-22 October. He will operate mainly RTTY on 80-10 metres, and will participate in the JARTS WW RTTY Contest. QSL via OH2HAN, bureau or direct.
FS - Randy N0TG, Ron AA4VK and Jeff N1SNB will be active as FS/homecall from St. Martin (NA-105) on 24-31 October. They will participate in the CQ WW DX SSB Contest as FS/N1SNB. QSL all callsigns via AA4VK. [TNX NG3K]
KH0 - OH6RX and OH7WV will be active as AH0K from Saipan (OC-086) on 22-29 October and again on 20-27 November. They will participate in the CQ WW DX SSB and CW contests as Multi-Two entrants. Outside the contests, they will focus on 160-40 metres. QSL via OH6GDX. [TNX The Daily DX]

PA - Ben, DO1BEN (www.do1ben.de http://www.do1ben.de) and Barbara, DO1IQ will be active as PD/DO1BEN and PD/DO1IQ from Texel Island (EU-038) on 21-27 October. They will RTTY, PSK31 and SSB on 40, 20 and 10 metres. QSL via home calls, bureau preferred.
PJ6 - Look for PJ6/KB1ZOJ, PJ6/K4UEE, PJ6/N4GRN, PJ6/K5AC and PJ6/W6IZT to be active from Saba (NA-145) on 23-29 October. They will participate in the CQ WW DX SSB Contest as PJ6A. [TNX The Daily DX]
SV5 - Rich, M5RIC will be active as SW5CC from the island of Rhodes (EU-001) on 23-31 October. He will operate SSB and RTTY on 30-10 metres, and will participate in the CQ WW DX SSB Contest as a single-op single band entry. QSL via M5RIC (direct).
T8 - Tom, JN2AMD will be active as T88AZ from Palau (OC-009) on 25-28 October, including participation in the CQ WW DX SSB Contest. He will operate SSB, CW and RTTY on 80-10 metres. QSL via JN2AMD, direct or bureau. [TNX The Daily DX]
TU - Chris F4WBN (ex TL0A) as TU5AX, Paul F6EXV as TU5XV and Jan DJ8NK as TU5NK will be active from Cote d'Ivoire on 17-30 November. They will operate SSB, CW and RTTY on 160-6 metres. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau (OQRS on Club Log). This will be a "solidarity radio operation": in an effort to "revive the Abidjan Radio Club", they will donate their equipment to TU2CI and train local operators to use it. The team will also assist local operators "who have strongly suffered from the civil war that hit the country some time ago". [TNX F4WBN and F6EXV]
VP9 - Markus, DJ4EL will be active as VP9/DJ4EL from Bermuda on 19-31 October. He will be QRV holiday style on 40-10 metres SSB. QSL via home call. [TNX DX World]
VP9 - N1SV will participate in the CQ WW SSB Contest as VP9I (QSL via WW3S) from Bermuda (NA-005). Before the contest, starting on 23 October, he will be QRV as VP9/N1SV (QSL via home call). [TNX NG3K]
XW - Champ, E21EIC will be active as XW0YJY from Laos on 25-29 October, inclduing an entry in the CQ WW DX SSB Contest. Before and after the contest he will operate CW on 80-10 metres. QSL via E21EIC and LoTW; logsearch and OQRS on Club Log. [TNX NG3K]
YB - Adhi, YB3MM (www.yb3mm.com http://www.yb3mm.com) will be active as YB3MM/4 from Sebesi Island (OC-262) on 19-21 October. This IOTA group was activated only once, back in 2003. Adhi will operate SSB and CW on 20 and 15 metres. QSL information on qrz.com http://qrz.com.
YB - The YB9Y expedition to Bras Island (OC-276, new one) [425DXN 1166] is now expected to start around 12 UTC on 21 October and finish around 00 UTC on the 28th. Plans are to be QRV on 160-6 metres CW, SSB and RTTY with several stations. QSL via YB1GJS, direct or bureau (OQRS on Club Log). Further information can be found at www.yb9y.com http://www.yb9y.com [TNX PD9DX]
Z2 - Mirek, SP5IXI (VK6DXI) has been active as Z21DXI from Bulawayo, Zimbabwe since 14 October. He should remain there until late October at least. This is a business trip, and he is QRV in his spare time using 100 watts and simple wire antennas. QSL via SP5UAF, direct or bureau. Logsearch at www.sp5ixi.dxing.pl/z21dxi/ http://www.sp5ixi.dxing.pl/z21dxi/

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**** GOOD TO KNOW ... ****
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AMSTERDAM 2014 ---> "Since the early planning days of this DXpedition, we have been accumulating and storing equipment at our staging site in Atlanta, Georgia. On October 15 our packing and organizing was completed, equipment was placed on pallets, loaded into our sea container, and began its journey to New Zealand where it will be loaded aboard our ship". See the pictures on the FT5ZM's website (www.amsterdamdx.org http://www.amsterdamdx.org).

BANGLADESH 2013 ---> The Mediterraneo DX Club's team in Bangladesh (S21ZBC and S21ZBB) [425DXN 1170] will operate from the Bangladesh Scouts' Headquarters, and would like to organize skeds with other Scout groups on 20-21 November. If interested, please contact IK7JTF (rborace[@]gmail.com http://gmail.com).

HAM RADIO 2013 LECTURES ---> The lectures held at Ham Radio 2013 (Friedrichshafen) are now available on DokuFunk (the Documentary Archive for the History of Radio Communication and Electronic Media):
OH2BH Changing Times in DX Hunt (keynote speech)

OH6KN & OH8GLV Technology Innovations Helping DXers
W1TP The ENIGMA and other Historic Cipher Machines. Introduction to the Enigma
G7GCT Small Cipher Machines
DK7ZB Development of Broadcasting in Germany 1923-2013 (In German)
G3SVL 100 Years of the RSGB and its International Partners
The Powerpoint slides with synchronized audio are at www.dokufunk.org/talk http://www.dokufunk.org/talk
[TNX OE1WHC]

WAG & JOTA ---> The Jamboree on the Air is an annual event in which half a million Scouts and Guides all over the world make contact with each other by means of amateur radio. The 56th edition will take place on 19-20 October. Specific "contest-free frequencies" have been agreed with the organizers of the Worked All Germany Contest in order to avoid interference between the two events. Complete information can be found at www.darc.de/referate/dx/ contest/wag/en/ http://www.darc.de/referate/dx/contest/wag/en/.

KOSOVO ---> "CQWW SSB will bring several Kosovar stations active from this new state recognized today by 105 United Nations member states and qualifying as separate country multiplier in the CQWW Contest. Among the activity, Z68BH will be operated by Martti, OH2BH, using the new antennas of Driton, Z61DX, with great support of Igor, UA2FZ.
During the most recent European DX Contest (WAEDC) many non-EU station had

difficulty with their contest logging programs on Z6 prefix. A new CTY.dat
file can be loaded at www.country-files.com http://www.country-files.com. QSL Z68BH via
OH2BH". [TNX
OH2BH]

OC-239 ---> The 16-22 October expedition by YB9WZJ and YD9RQX to Waigeo
Island [425DXN 1170] has been postponed, "maybe till 2014". [TNX W2FB]

WRTC 2014 ---> WRTC2014, Inc., host of the 2014 World Radiosport Team
Championship (www.wrtc2014.org http://www.wrtc2014.org), has announced the fifty five
teams that
will be invited to compete in New England next July. Team Leaders were
selected for each qualifying region based on 3 years of qualifying scores.
The Team Leaders were given the choice to select any operator as a Team
Mate to complete their team.

Area	Team Leader	Team Mate	Area	Team Leader	Team Mate
AF	3V/KF5EYY	YT1AD	EU5	UR0MC	VE3DZ
AS1	R9DX	UA9CDV	EU5	UU4JMG	UU0JM
AS2	RC9O	UA9PM	EU6	RX3APM	RV1AW
AS3	5B4WN	5B4AFM	EU6	UA3DPX	UA4FER
AS4	BA4ALC	BA7IO	EU6	RL3FT	RA3CO
AS5	JH5GHM	JA1OJE	NA1	K1LZ	YT6W
EU1	CT1ILT	CT1BOH	NA2	W2RE	WW2DX
EU1	F8DBF	F1AKK	NA3	KE3X	K0DQ
EU1	M0CFW	GI0RTN	NA4E	NN3W	N3KS
EU1	G0CKV	M0DXR	NA4W	AD4Z	W4UH
EU1	F4DXW	F8CMF	NA5	N5DX	N2IC
EU2	LX2A	YO3JR	NA6	N6MJ	KL9A
EU2	IK2NCJ	IK2QEI	NA6	K6AM	N6AN
EU2	DJ5MW	DL1IAO	NA7	K7RL	KL2A
EU2	IK1HJS	I4UFH	NA8	K8MR	K9NW
EU2	DL1QQ	DL8DYL	NA9	W9RE	N5OT
EU3	ES5TV	ES2RR	NA10	KU1CW	EA5GTQ
EU3	LY9A	LY4L	NA11	VY2ZM	KK6ZM
EU3	OH2UA	OH6KZP	NA12	VE7CC	VE7SV
EU3	YL1ZF	YL3DW	NA13	K9VV	VE3EJ
EU4	OE3DIA	E77DX	OC	KH6ND	KH6SH
EU4	OM2VL	OM3RM	SA1	PY2YU	PY2NDX
EU4	OM3BH	OM3GI	SA2	CX6VM	LU1FAM
EU4	OE2VEL	OE5OHO	YOUTH	IZ1LBG	WQ2N
EU4	S50A	S57AW	Wild Card	LZ4AX	LZ3FN
EU5	9A6XX	9A1UN	Wild Card	DK6XZ	DK9IP
EU5	9A5K	9A1TT	Def Champ	RW1A	RA1A
EU5	4O3A	9A3A			

There are four sponsored teams yet to be announced. A Team Sponsor donation
earns the right to select a team. Contact Doug, K1DG (k1dg[@]wrtc2014.org
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for details about the Team Sponsor program.

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
******* QSL ROUTES *******
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3B8FA NI5DX CR6VLM CS5NRA OG7X OH4XX
3D2GC LZ1GC CT3AS DL3BK OH0I OH3BHL
3D2RA/p LZ2HM CX2BR EA5GL OQ100LAKEN ON6TI
3W3B E21EIC CX2DK EA5GL OQ4CLM ON3AIM
4A2I XE2I D2CT CT2HPM OU1RAEM DF5LW
4K6AG RW6HS D2QR RW6HS OU4O OZ1FAO
4K9W DL6KVA D2SG GM4FDM OV0V OZ3ABE
4L1MA ON4RU DT0HH DS3FGV OW75FOC G3SWH
4U1GSC 9A2AA E51NOU N7OU OZ30EU OZ8IE
5B/OO9O ON7SS EG1RGC EA1SV PA75TP PA5ENJ
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CO2IR EB7DX KG4WV W4WV TM6CCA F6FMT
CO2WL HA3JB KH0M JF1VXB TN2MS PA3AWW
CO8LY EA7ADH KH2F JA2TBS TO4FM EA5GL
CO8WOH RW6HS KK6WW/KH0 JA6EGL UK8GCG RW6HS
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CR6LPM CS5NRA OD5TX W4JS VK9DAC VK3DAC
CR6OBD CS5NRA OF40R OH8DR VX31763 VE3RHE
CR6PLA CS5NRA OG1D OH1JD XP1A OZ1ACB
CR6SAB CS5NRA OG3077F OH3JF YF1AR/0 N2OO
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******* CALENDAR *******
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PERIOD CALL REF
till 19/10 4X6HP/p, 4Z5IW/p, 4Z5LA/p: Akhziv Island (AS-100) 1170
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till 20/10 A52IVU, A52AEF, A52EQW: Bhutan 1169
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till 21/10 ON70REDSTAR: special callsign 1167
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till 23/10 T88EC: Palau 1171
till 24/10 TN2MS: Republic of the Congo 1159
till 25/10 GB2NZ: special callsign (England) 1167
till 25/10 KG4WV and KG4HF: Guantanamo Bay 1171
till 28/10 PY0F/PY3MM and PR0F: Fernando de Noronha(SA-003) 1171
till 29/10 SW8YY: Zakynthos Island (EU-052) 1165
till 30/10 IG9Y: Lampedusa Island (AF-019) 1149
till 30/10 V31RL: Belize 1171
till 31/10 LY75RMD: special callsign 1171
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till 02/11 FR/DJ7RJ: Reunion Island (AF-016) 1167
till 05/11 VX31763: special callsign 1169
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till 26/11 H44MS: Honiara (OC-047), Solomon Islands 1167
till November RU0ZM/0: Russian District KT-13 1155
till 15/12 C91GBA: Mozambique 1155
till 15/12 JW9JKA: Bear Island (EU-027) 1153
till 31/12 4A1TD: special callsign 1143
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till 31/12 DL50FRANCE: special station 1131
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till 31/12 Gx100C: special callsign 1134
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21732. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-10-19 14:01:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21732

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:Issued: 2013 Oct 19 1303 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 31019
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 19 Oct 2013, 1310UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 19 Oct 2013 until 21 Oct 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 19 Oct 2013 10CM FLUX: 138 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 20 Oct 2013 10CM FLUX: 136 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 21 Oct 2013 10CM FLUX: 135 / AP: 010
COMMENT: Only C-class flares were observed in the past 24h, the strongest was a C8.4
with peak at 15:26 UT on October 18, from NOAA 1861. As this AR (and NOAA
1865) are rotating over the west limb, only C-class flares are expected
(but still M-flares remain possible). Geomagnetic conditions have been
quiet. There is a coronal hole which influence may reach the Earth in the
coming 48h, but it is located probably too much to the north (40 degrees)
to become geoeffective.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 092, BASED ON 12 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 18 Oct 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 168
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 140
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 005
AK WINGST : 001
ESTIMATED AP : 002
ESTIMATED ISN : 115, BASED ON 19 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21733. QSL via QRZ.COM ??

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-10-19 15:03:29 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 21733 Message: 21733

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73, Paul VE1DX

21734. Re: [DX-IS] QSL via QRZ.COM ??

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-10-19 15:54:20 UTC
From: Brian Alsop
Topic: 21733 Message: 21734

Paul,

I've also wondered why one would display kilobucks worth of gear on a
web page giving your address and perhaps exact GPS coordinates.

Makes shopping for thieves easy.

73 de Brian/K3KO

On 10/19/2013 15:03, Paul M Dunphy wrote:
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> you look them up, it says "QSL via buro or direct." Seems to me they
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> 73, Paul VE1DX
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> No virus found in this message.
> Checked by AVG - www.avg.com
> Version: 2012.0.2242 / Virus Database: 3222/6264 - Release Date: 10/19/13
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21735. Re: [DX-IS] QSL via QRZ.COM ??

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-10-19 17:00:22 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 21733 Message: 21735

On 10/19/2013 12:54 PM, Brian Alsop wrote:
> Paul,
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> I've also wondered why one would display kilobucks worth of gear on a
> web page giving your address and perhaps exact GPS coordinates.
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> Makes shopping for thieves easy.
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> 73 de Brian/K3KO
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A good point, Brian. We tend to think of all Hams as honest, but in reality our fraternity is just a cross section of the population . . . or for that matter, any non-Ham can access QRZ or any web site and find out who you are and what you have (if you tell them.)

I removed 90% of the personal info from my own personal web page, but still I can be found. I think we should put our grid on QRZ, but little else in terms of the gear we have. I am not innocent in that aspect. I think in years past when the Internet was just taking off we all didn't realise how vulnerable we were. What started as a "gimmick" a few decades ago has become more popular than telephones and TVs were when we were young. Some of us haven't adjusted out behaviour to match the growth of the Internet.

73, Paul VE1DX (QSL via QRZ.COM) :-)

21736. Re: [DX-IS] QSL via QRZ.COM ??

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-10-19 17:21:33 UTC
From: iain macdonnell - N6ML
Topic: 21733 Message: 21736

I always interpreted "QSL via QRZ.COM" as "My QSL information
(including address, etc) can be found at QRZ.COM"

73,

~iain / N6ML

On Sat, Oct 19, 2013 at 8:03 AM, Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...> wrote:
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> I've noticed lately stations send "QSL VIA QRZ DOT COM" and when
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> are saying AA7BQ is their manager!
>
> 73, Paul VE1DX
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>

21737. Re: [DX-IS] QSL via QRZ.COM ??

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-10-19 17:46:58 UTC
From: Radio K0HB
Topic: 21733 Message: 21737

My instructions at QRZ.COM are "Direct, LoTW, BURO, ClubLog Wizard". Sending you to Qrz.com gives you four choices. And yes, Brian, a short biography, a photo of my station, and an introduction into my other interests

73, de Hans, K0HB

On Sat, Oct 19, 2013 at 10:03 AM, Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...> wrote:

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> on qrz.com that they want you to look at? Oh well. I don't think they
> are saying AA7BQ is their manager!
> 73, Paul VE1DX

21738. Re: [DX-IS] QSL via QRZ.COM ??

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-10-19 18:00:55 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 21733 Message: 21738

And don't forget to talk up all your vacation plans, including dates you will be gone, on the local repeater. A thief would never happen to have a scanner. Make sure you get on APRS as well so they can see where you are and how long it would take you to get home.

73 John AF5CC

----- Original Message -----
From: Paul M Dunphy
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Saturday, October 19, 2013 5:00 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] QSL via QRZ.COM ??

On 10/19/2013 12:54 PM, Brian Alsop wrote:
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> web page giving your address and perhaps exact GPS coordinates.
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> Makes shopping for thieves easy.
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> 73 de Brian/K3KO
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I removed 90% of the personal info from my own personal web page, but still I can be found. I think we should put our grid on QRZ, but little else in terms of the gear we have. I am not innocent in that aspect. I think in years past when the Internet was just taking off we all didn't realise how vulnerable we were. What started as a "gimmick" a few decades ago has become more popular than telephones and TVs were when we were young. Some of us haven't adjusted out behaviour to match the growth of the Internet.

73, Paul VE1DX (QSL via QRZ.COM) :-)

21739. Re: [DX-IS] QSL via QRZ.COM ??

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-10-19 18:12:54 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 21733 Message: 21739

On 10/19/2013 3:00 PM, John Geiger wrote:
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> a scanner. Make sure you get on APRS as well so they can see where you
> are and how long it would take you to get home.
> 73 John AF5CC
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Even most of those cordless telephones, although they are not Ham gear. One of my friends was complaining about how expensive his car insurance was on a repeater 5-6 years ago. 10 minutes later he got a call from another insurance company with a sales pitch!

On a somewhat related issue, I know of two separate cases where gear (a hand held and a HF tuner) were swiped off sellers' tables at a Hamfest/Flea Markets. Apparently we can't trust some "Hams."

I don't have a lot of time for thieves, regardless of whether or not they hold a Ham ticket. There are some dandies buying and selling gear of the Internet. How do you tell the honest ones from the swindlers?

73, Paul VE1DX

21740. Re: [DX-IS] QSL via QRZ.COM ??

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-10-19 18:31:11 UTC
From: Phil & Anne Irons
Topic: 21733 Message: 21740

On 2013-10-19 12:03, Paul M Dunphy wrote:
> I've noticed lately stations send "QSL VIA QRZ DOT COM" and when
> you look them up, it says "QSL via buro or direct." Seems to me they
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> on qrz.com that they want you to look at? Oh well. I don't think they
> are saying AA7BQ is their manager!
>
> 73, Paul VE1DX

Hi Paul...

My sign off says "QSL via LoTW, buro or direct. See QRZ.com for details".

The 'details' spell out how I will respond to cards received directly, but with insufficient or incorrect postage, and how many green stamps to send for return postage to the US (2) or the rest of the world (3).

It is far more efficient to direct a QSO partner to your QRZ.com page for QSL details than to spell it out in every QSO (Unless you have it set up in a macro!).

73,

Phil/VE1BVD

21741. Re: [DX-IS] QSL via QRZ.COM ??

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-10-19 18:38:56 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 21733 Message: 21741

On 10/19/2013 3:31 PM, Phil & Anne Irons wrote:
> On 2013-10-19 12:03, Paul M Dunphy wrote:
>> I've noticed lately stations send "QSL VIA QRZ DOT COM" and when
>> you look them up, it says "QSL via buro or direct." Seems to me they
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>> 73, Paul VE1DX
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> insufficient or incorrect postage, and how many green stamps to send for return
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> details than to spell it out in every QSO (Unless you have it set up in a macro!).
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> 73,
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> Phil/VE1BVD
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Yes, I agree if it is complicated like "Send $3.50 in nickels and a
green SAE, or use the RSGB Buro (even though I'm on Canada), or LoTW, or
eQSL (AG), or to my manager W2NQ/7 during the summer." I just was
pointing out that it's easier to send "QSL VIA BURO" than to direct them
to an Internet link that says the same thing.

This is an old school vs new school discussion. VE1AL (SK) would
have some thoughts on this. I miss his input.

73, Paul VE1DX

21742. Re: [DX-IS] QSL via QRZ.COM ??

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-10-20 12:56:49 UTC
From: Phil & Anne Irons
Topic: 21733 Message: 21742

On 2013-10-19 15:38, Paul M Dunphy wrote:

> Yes, I agree if it is complicated like "Send $3.50 in nickels and a
> green SAE, or use the RSGB Buro (even though I'm on Canada), or LoTW, or
> eQSL (AG), or to my manager W2NQ/7 during the summer." I just was
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> 73, Paul VE1DX

As a matter of fact, I actually copied the text of my QRZ.com message from Alan's. I would be the first to admit that he was definitely 'old school', but he was also open to new ideas, even if he did reserve the right to ignore them!

I don't know if you are aware, Paul, but Al's wife passed away about three weeks ago. Yet another burden for their children and grandchildren to bear.

73,

Phil/VE1BVD

21743. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-10-20 14:01:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21743

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21744. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-10-20 15:10:09 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21744

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:Issued: 2013 Oct 20 1402 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 31020
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 20 Oct 2013, 1410UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 20 Oct 2013 until 22 Oct 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 20 Oct 2013 10CM FLUX: 133 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 21 Oct 2013 10CM FLUX: 135 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 22 Oct 2013 10CM FLUX: 140 / AP: 007
COMMENT: Only C-class flares in past 24h, more are expected. The strongest was a
C2.9 at 08:40 UT from NOAA AR 1868. NOAA AR 1875 has a beta-gamma
configuration and could produce M-class flares. Geomangetic conditions have
been quiet and are expected to remain so. There are small probabilities
that the fast solar wind from a coronal hole at high northern latitudes,
and the effects of the halo CME from October 16 could affect geomagnetic
conditions in the next 48h.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 080, BASED ON 14 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 19 Oct 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 133
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 007
AK WINGST : 002
ESTIMATED AP : 002
ESTIMATED ISN : 092, BASED ON 18 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21745. Re: [DX-IS] QSL via QRZ.COM ??

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-10-20 15:14:12 UTC
From: Radio K0HB
Topic: 21733 Message: 21745

On Sat, Oct 19, 2013 at 1:38 PM, Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...> wrote:

> On 10/19/2013 3:31 PM, Phil & Anne Irons wrote:
>> On 2013-10-19 12:03, Paul M Dunphy wrote:
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>> Phil/VE1BVD
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21746. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1133

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-10-20 16:35:45 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 21746 Message: 21746

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* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

3B8, MAURITIUS. Serge, UU5WW, will be active as 3B8/UU5WW from Mauritius Island between November 17-30th. Activity will be holiday style, mostly CW on the HF bands and an entry in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th). QSL via K2PF (OQRS preferred). A Web site with more details

will be available soon.

3D2, FIJI. John, N7CQQ, is expected to be active as 3D2QQ from Fiji during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th) before he participates in the upcoming T33A Banaba Island DXpedition. QSL 3D2QQ via N7CQQ (see QRZ.com).

4K, AZERBAIJAN. Alim, 4K6FO, will be active during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th) as a Single-Op/?/Low-Power entry. QSL via LoTW and eQSL. Also, he welcomes paper QSLs (see 4K6FO on QRZ.com).

4U0WFP, ITALY. Station 4U0WFP is an amateur radio station located at the "World Food Programme Headquarters" in Rome, Italy. Currently the operators are Robert/S53R and Dane/S53T. Activity this past week was on 21023 kHz around 1325z. Give them a call and learn about what World Food Programme <www.wfp.org> does to fight the hunger worldwide! QSL via info on QRZ.com.

6V, SENEGAL. Vladimir "Vlad", RK4FF, will once again be active as 6V7S from Le Calao in Ngaparou between October 22nd and November 27th. Activity will probably be on 80/40/20/15/10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via RK4FF. Log is available on ClubLog. Check out QRZ.com for some pictures.

8P, BARBADOS. Tom, W2SC, will be active as 8P5A during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th) as Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via LoTW or direct to NN1N.

8P, BARBADOS. Dean, 8P6SH, will be active as 8P2K during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (10m) entry. QSL via KU9C.

AH0, MARIANA ISLANDS. Operators Kuniyoshi/7L1FPU (W1FPU), Moto/JE1NDE (W1NDE), Naoyuki/JK1FNL (NA8O), Matthew/K0BBC and Hiroyuki/JG7PSJ (KW2X) will be active as AH0BT during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th) as a Multi-2 entry. QSL via 7L1FPU, direct, by the Bureau or LoTW.

B9, CHINA (ZONE 23). Dale, BA4TB, and a team of others will be active as B9/BY9GA from Zone 23 (Gansu) between October 20-28th. Activity will include the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th). Also, look for BJ9TA to be active on 6m and up (EME included) during same dates. QSL via their operator's instruction.

C6, BAHAMAS. Operator Tim/N4UM (C6ARU), Mike/K4RUM (C6AUM) and Bob/N4BP (C6AKQ) will be operating from Freeport between November 19th and December 10th. Look for C6AUM and C6AKQ to be active mainly on CW and on 160-10 meters including the 30/17/12 meter bands. C6ARU will be mainly on the Digital modes (some JT65 and JT9) on 30/17/12 meters bands. During the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th), look for C6AUM to be active as a Single-Band 40m entry, and C6AKQ to be Single-Band 80m entry. For the ARRL 160 Contest (December 6-8th), the trio will be a Multi-Single entry as C6AKQ. QSL via operator's QRZ.com address.

C8, MOZAMBIQUE (Update). The international team of operators active as C82DX from Xai Xai (WW Loc KG64) are expected to go QRT on October 22nd. Activity continues on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. Suggested frequencies are available in OPDX.1114. John, K6MM, reported on Saturday: "Saturday, 19-October @ 1415 UTC....25 New photos posted (see PHOTOS link).....Power pole caught fire last night causing 3-hour delay.....Low band Qs continue to be difficult due to high noise and very windy conditions.....Continuing to emphasize 160m and 80m each night.....Will operate more RTTY today.....Over 14,000 QSOs in Log now....Check PROPAGATION page to create your own personalized prediction charts.....Send questions or comments to <webaron@...>. Also, from QRZ DX, on October 20th, Tom, N4XP, reported that they lost power (Whole City) for about 5 hours and they were down to 2 radios with no amps. Power did return about 1100 local time. QSL via the OQRS by ClubLog (Highly Recommended/Preferred Method) to receive a QSL either direct and by the Bureau. To QSL direct via the mail, send it to: C82DX, Box 333, Bethlehem, GA 30620 USA [Please do not send IRCs. See details on their Web page]. They will not confirm QSOs via the eQSL system. The C82DX Web page is at: http://c82dx.com

D4, CAPE VERDE. John, G4IRN, will be active as D44TWQ from Boa Vista, Cape Verde (AF-086), between November 5-12th. Activity will be holiday style (primarily a windsurfing holiday) on the 30/17/12 meters and on CW only using a K2 and KPA500 into dipoles. QSL via his home callsign, by the Bureau and direct. An OQRS will be available on ClubLog and he will use LoTW. For more details, see: http://g4irn.com/cap-verde-2013

E2, THAILAND. Dej, E21YDP, will be active during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (15m)/Low-Power entry. QSL via E21YDP.

EF8, CANARY ISLANDS. Juan, EA8RM, will be active as EF8U from the Las Palmas Contest station during the CQWW DX SSB (October 26-27th) and the CQWW DX CW Contests (November 26-27th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via LoTW.

ED8, CANARY ISLANDS. Manuel, EA8DO, will be active as ED8W during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th) Single-Op/Single-Band (20m)/High-Power entry. QSL via EA8DO.

ED9, CEUTA AND MELILLA (Cancelled!). A group of operators that were expected to be active as ED9Z as a Multi-Op from Ceuta have announced that they have cancelled their CQWW DX SSB Contest operation due to some serious personal issues.

FJ, ST. BARTHELEMY (Also PJ7). Pete, VE3IKV/VA3RA, will be active as FJ/VA3RA from St. Barts during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (10m) entry. Outside of the contest (before and after) look for him to be active on CW, SSB and 6 meters, as well as 10m and 6m mobile around the island. The Grid Square on St. Barts is FK87. He will be on the island between November 21-25th. QSL via VE3IKV. He also mentions that he will travel to Sint Maarten and be active as PJ7/VA3RA between November 25-28th. Activity will also be on 10 and 6 meters. Also QSL via VE3IKV.

FK/TX5, NEW CALEDONIA. Freddy, F5IRO, will once again be active as FK/F5IRO from Plum, New Caledonia (OC-032, DIFO FK-001, WLOTA 1280, DDFM 988), starting sometime at the end of October until February 2014. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using mostly CW and some PSK, with a Elecraft K3 and dipoles and long wire antennas. Freddy will team up with Michel, FK8IK, in Noumea using the special callsign TX5W for the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th). Sometime after the contest, Freddy and Michel are looking into possibly activating some FK IOTAs. Look for details to be posted on QRZ.com and Freddy's Blog page at: http://j28ro.blogspot.com QSL both FK/F5IRO and TX5W via F5IRO, direct or by the Bureau. Logs will be uploaded to ClubLog and LoTW sometime in March 2014.

FO, FRENCH POLYNESIA. Heinz, DF1YP, is now active as FO/DL1YP from Moorea Island (OC-046) until November 6th. Activity has been mainly 20 meters on SSB. QSL via his home callsign.

FT5Z, AMSTERDAM ISLAND. Stan, SQ8X, posted the following on October 17th, on the FT5ZM Web page <http://www.amsterdamdx.org> [edited]: "Since the early planning days of this DXpedition, we have been accumulating and storing equipment at our staging site in Atlanta, Georgia. On October 15th, our packing and organizing was completed, equipment was placed on pallets, loaded into our sea container, and began its journey to New Zealand where it will be loaded aboard our ship." The photos will tell the story at: http://www.amsterdamdx.org/our-equipment-has-been-shipped

G3/GB4, ENGLAND (Special Event). The Royal Air Force station at Henlow, in Bedfordshire, UK, - G3ELV and the RAF Signals Museum, will be open for business under the Permanent Special Event callsign GB4SMH effective November 1st, 2013. Normal operating times will be 10:00 UKT to 16:00 UKT on each Tuesday and on the first Saturday of each month. QSL via Bureau.

GJ, JERSEY. Members of the Jersey Contest Group will be active as GJ2A from Jersey Island (EU-013) during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th) as Multi-Single entry. QSL via LoTW, or direct to GJ3DVC.

HK0/S, SAN ANDRES ISLAND (Update to OPDX.1132/Callsign). Members of the "DX Friends" will activate San Andres Island (NA-033) as HK0R between November 1-10th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. Suggested frequencies are listed in OPDX.1132. QSL via EA5RM direct (see Web page). You can use the OQRS (see Web page) for direct and Bureau cards. Visit their Web page at: http://www.dxfriends.com/SanAndres2013

HS4, THAILAND. Operators Obby/HS4SSP, Ray/HS4RAY, Yut/HS4ESF and HS4SCM will be active as HS4SSP during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th) as a Multi-Single/Low-Power entry. QSL via HS4RAY.

IOTA NEWS.....
AS-043. Operators Suehiro/JI1PLF, Mitsuo/JA1UNS, Hisashi/7N1GMK, Takeo/7L4PVR and Kazuhiko/7N4VPS will be active as homecall/1 from Hachijo Island in the JA1 South Izu Group, between October 18-21st. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via their home callsigns, direct or by the Bureau.

OC-262. (Update) Adhi, YB3MM, will be active as YB3MM/4 from Sebesi Island between October 19-21st. Activity will be on 20-15 meters using CW and SSB. QSL preferred OQRS (ClubLog) or direct (see QRZ.com). For more details and updates, see: http://www.yb3mm.com

OC-276. (Update) Members of the "ORDA PAPUA DXPEDITION TEAM" will activate for the first time Mapia Island as YB9Y. However, it was reported [edited], "Due to weather reasons, which the team received from the captain of the vessel Papua Lima, there is now a delayed departure from the original schedule. It can be confirmed that the team departure will be on the evening of October 20th, from Jakarta and will arrive in Bras Island ☐ Mapia Island on the morning of October 22nd, and plan to start activity on the 22nd October at 09:00 UTC." The YB9Y operation will be active until October 28th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via YB1GJS, direct or by the Bureau. A OQRS will be used on ClubLog. For more details and updates, see: http://yb9y.com

OC-295. (Small Correction to OPDX.1132). John, 9M6XRO, tells OPDX: "Sebatik Island is actually NOT a new IOTA activation. We members of the Borneo Amateur Radio Club first activated it as 9M4SEB in 2006. In 2010, 9M6DXX/P and 9M6XRO/P also operated from Sebatik. The IOTA website shows 22% of claimants with OC-295 from these operations. The confusion arises because Sebatik Island is a split sovereignty island - the northern part belongs to Malaysia and the south to Indonesia. This will actually be the first operation from the YB side. It will also be a chance for me to work OC-295 :-)".

J3, GRENADA (Update). Operators Clarence/WX7E, Ron/WJ7R, Mike/W7RIS, Mike/W7MJJ, Terence/KS5Z and possibly two more operators are planning to be active as J3A from Grenada (NA-024, WLOTA 0718) during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th) as a Multi-2 entry. QSL via WA1S, direct, by the Bureau or LoTW. The team is still waiting for their own personal callsign to use outside of the contest. Clarence, WX7E, informs OPDX that they will be arriving on Wednesday evening, October 23rd, which gives them two days to get everything ready. They will be staying for three days after the contest to look around the island. The team will work 160-10 meters during the contest. Activity before the contest on Thursday and Friday will probably be on CW - most likely on 40, 20, 15 and 10 meters (NO 30/17/12m). QSL via LoTW.

J3, GRENADA (Just A Reminder). Mark, N2MD, is returning to Grenada (NA-024, WLOTA 0718) and will be signing J3/N2MD between October 23-28th. This year is the 30th anniversary of the U.S. intervention and rescue of U.S. medical students in Grenada (1983) during which Mark operated as KA2ORK/J37. He will be joined by Arnal, N9ACC, who will sign J3/N9ACC. Arnal is a U.S. Navy officer (retired) who was also involved in the 1983 mission. Plans are to operate both fixed and mobile. Operations will be on 80-6 meters (SSB) and 2 meter (FM); band conditions and time permitting. Activity

will be holiday style but mostly evening hours. QSL via LoTW only.

PG200, THE NETHERLANDS. Fred, PA0FAW, will be operating as PG200NL, to celebrate "200 years of The Netherlands", between November 2-29th. His operations will be mainly on CW, but with some Digital modes and SSB only upon availability of a good QTH. Fred is an ISWL Member and can be worked, or heard by ISWL members for the Monitor award. QSL to PA0FAW, by the Bureau, direct, or via eQSL.cc. SWL reports are very welcome.

PJ6, SABA. Operators Jeff/KB1ZOJ, Bob/K4UEE, John/K5AC, George/N4GRN and Gregg/W6IZT will be active as PJ6A from Saba Island (NA-145, WFF PAFF-027, WLOTA 2043) during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL PJ6A via N4NX. The team will be there October 23-29th, and is expected to be active outside of the contest as PJ6/homecall, possibly on CW and RTTY. Listen for QSL instructions by the operators.

PRESS RELEASE (Friedrichshafen, Germany). Wolf Harranth, OE1WHC, from the Amateur Radio Section of ORF (Austrian Broadcasting Corporation) and the Documentary Archives Radio Communications/QSL Collection, has informed OPDX that the following 2013 Friedrichshafen Ham Radio Lectures (listed below) are available at: http://www.dokufunk.org/talk
The Ham Radio Lectures (Powerpoint slides with synchronized audio) are:
* Martti Laine, OH2BH: Changing Times in DX Hunt (Keynote speech)
* Veijo Kontas, OH6KN and Juho Juopperi, OH8GLV: Technology Innovations in Helping DXers
* Tom Perera, W1TP: The ENIGMA and other Historic Cipher Machines. Introduction to the Enigma.
* John Alexander, G7GCT: Small Cipher Machines
* Martin Steyer, DK7ZB: Development of Broadcasting in Germany 1923-2013 (In German)
* Chris Ducking, G3SVL: 100 Years of the RSGB and its International Partners

PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (October 21-27th)....
Oct/21st AN Oct/24th AN Oct/26th AN
Oct/22nd AN Oct/25th AN Oct/27th AN
Oct/23rd AN

SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS/INDEXES AND GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE
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NORMALITY	GEOMAG K Values	Alpha
AN - Above Normal	Quiet K=0-1	0-7
HN - High Normal	Unsettled K=2	8-15
LN - Low Normal	Active K=3	16-29
BN - Below Normal	Minor Storm K=4	30-49
DIS - Disturbed	Major Storm K=5	50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed	Severe Storm K=6-9	100-400

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (For October 20th)

5B4ALB via RT9T (d) GB2NZ via M0OXO R100RQA via RN1ON

9X0ZM via JO1CRA GB75BVB via G0PQQ SN35SMAK via SP1PMY
C5S via ON6EG HB0/HB9CVQ via HB9CVQ (d/L) SU8JOTA via SM5AQD
CO0SS via (B/d) HC2AO via RC5A SV5/PE5ENJ via PE5ENJ
CT9/DL6MLA via DL6MLA IG9/IK2CWG via IK2CWG SW8YY via DH7WW
EA100EAF via EA5HVH IG9Y via ON4LG UN1ZZZ/7 via UN8CC
EA100EAP via EA5HVH JW9JKA via LA9JKA (d) V73NS via W3HNK
EA100EAS via EA5HVH KH2F via JA2TBS VK7FLI via VK7AN
EA6/DL3HQN via DL3HQN KK6WW/KH0 via JA6EGL (d) VP2ETE via W3HNK
EB5BBM/BY7 via EB5BBM KL5E via NI5DX VP9/DJ4EL via DJ4EL
ED2AK via EA2AK NH7O via EA5GL VY0/VE3VID via VE3VID
ES0HAM via OH2HAN PA6JAM via PD4R YB0/PD9DX via PD9DX
FO4BM via F4FJH PC73X via PC1EMR YB9Y via YB1GJS
FO8WBB via N6JA PJ2/NT5V via NT5V Z21DXI via SP5UAF
(e) eQSL only (d) direct only (B) Bureau only (L) LoTW only

QSL Special Event Callsign ER1IARU via ER1KAA. Activity was between October 10-15th, and the operators were the President of International Amateur Radio Union (IARU) Region 1 Hans Blondeel Timmerman, PB2T, and Executive Committee Member Panayot Danev, LZ1US in the Republic of Moldova.

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 4K9W, 7Z1HL, CP4BT, DG0KS, DK1MAX, DM2RN, ER1MM, F6FDR, G8APB, JH3EDG, KE5OG, KG4HF, KL3/AB8CK, LU4ECN, LU8EKC, OG73X, OH1TD, RG9A, SP6EIY, SV0XCC/9, SV1ACL, SV5DKL, TK4LS, TM63ISS, UP6P, V31MA, VA1CHP, VA3MJR, VE9HF, WW4LL, XW4XR, YT3H and ZP9MCE

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 8R1Z, BA4WL/5, CT4NH/P, FK8GX, GW3KHZ/p, HQ8D, JW/DL2JRM, KP4/K1GI, MU0GSY, OA4TT, R20RRC/0, R20RRC/8, TT8/US3EZ, VK9LL and ZG2FK

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 9V1PW, 9V1XX, CE2/YV5IAL, HK3R, YB8Y, YE0HQ, YV200D, YW500AA and YY5MCO

S2, BANGLADESH (Project 2013 by MDXC - Press Release). The Mediterraneo DX Club (MDXC) announced on Wednesday, October 16th, that they will be [edited] "organizing some skeds from the Headquarter of Bangladesh Scouts, where they□ll operate, with others Scouts groups in the World. This is a good opportunity for Bangladesh Scouts to listen and contact others Scouts on the air. The team's idea is to offer these special skeds on 20 meters on November 20th and 21st around 1300 UTC. Scout Groups interested can write an E-mail to their Pilot station IK7JTF. More updates will be forthcoming soon." Just a reminder that this DXpedition will take place between November 16-26th, using two callsigns - S21ZBC from the start of the DXpedition (November 16-22nd), and then they'll shift to the other callsign S21ZBB, starting from November 23rd for the CQWW CW Contest weekend and the remaining days until they leave the country. For any further news and updates, please visit the official Web site of Bangladesh 2013 adventure at: http://www.mdxc.org/bangladesh2013

T33, BANABA ISLAND (Update). The T33A DXpedition to Banaba Island (OC-018), is fastly approaching and is expected to be active between November 5-18th.

It was reported on the T33A Blog Page this past week on October 17th [edited]: "Reported by co-team leader Jay, W2IJ, - Our container just departed Suva, Fiji, at 14 knots now on the way by sea to Tarawa. Our advance team will arrive in Tarawa Oct. 31st to attend to picking up local provisions and getting our container unsealed and through customs, and loaded onto our boat in preparation for a Nov. 3rd departure to Banaba Island." It was also mentioned on October 12th, that the T33A main sponsor is Elecraft, who is supplying six K3 Transceivers and five KPA-500 Amplifiers. The team appreciates the generosity of all their T33A corporate sponsors and individual donors. See their sponsors page to view those who have generously made donations, go to: http://www.t33a.com/sponsors.html
It was also announced this past week, the T33A team will be using DXA interface for their operation. DXA is an innovative Web site that allows DXers to view the status and activities of a DXpedition in near-real-time. Within a few minutes after making a contact with the DXpedition, the DXer is able to see a graphical listing of their contact. The DXA Web page for the T33A operation is located at: http://dxa2.org/t33a
The T33A DXpedition's Blog page is at: http://banaba2013.wordpress.com
For more details about the DXpedition, visit the T33A Web page at: http://www.t33a.com/index.htm

T8, PALAU. Satomi "Tom", JN2AMD, will be active as T88AZ from Palau Island (OC-009) between October 25-28th. Activity will include the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th). Outside of the contest, operations will be on 80-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. His equipment is a TS-570S with an Ameritron ALS-600 amp (500w) into a yagi, dipole and vertical. QSL via JN2AMD, direct or by the JARL Bureau.

TC0, TURKEY. Operators Mustafa/TA2TX, Nick/LZ1NK, Llian/LZ1CNN, Krasi/LZ2UW, Nasko/LZ3YY, Christo/LZ3FN, Nick/LZ3ND and Vesselin/LZ5VK will be active as TC0A from an island in Asiatic Turkey, in the Canakkale/Balikesir/Izmir Province IOTA Group (AS-099), during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) as a Multi-2 entry. QSL via TA2TX or LZ1NK. The team will be there between November 19-25th. Outside the contest, look for the operators to be on CW and SSB signing TA0/homecall. QSL via their home callsign. For possible updates, see: http://tc3a.alle.bg

TG0, GUATEMALA. Operators Edgar/TG9AXF, Mario/TG9ADQ and Dani/TG9AMD will be active as TG0AA from Monterrico during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th). See QRZ.com for QSL info. ADDED NOTE: Monterrico, Guatemala, is situated on the Pacific coast of Guatemala. Known for its volcanic black sand beaches and annual influx of sea turtles. A few turtle conservation organizations operate in the Monterrico area because the long stretch of beach serves as a breeding ground for 4 species of sea turtles."

TU, COTE D'LVOIRE. Operators Chris/F4WBN (ex-TL0A), Paul/F6EXV and Jan/DJ8NK will be active as TU5AX, TU5XV and TU5NK, respectively, for a solidarity radio operation which will take place between November 17-30th. Activity will be on SSB, CW and RTTY, with operations on 160-6 meters (including 60m). QSL via their home callsigns, by the Bureau, direct or the OQRS on Clublog. Jan informs OPDX, "The 3 operators will

support the club station TU2CI and will leave equipment behind (radios and antennas), install it and train the local operators to use it, in order to revive the Abidjan radio club, and assist some local hams who have strongly suffered from the civil war that hit the country sometime ago."

V4, ST. KITTS (NA-104). Andy, N2NT, will once again be active as V47NT from the QTH of V47KP between November 17-26th. Activity will include the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) signing as V47T and as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via W2RQ.

VP9, BERMUDA. By the time you read this, Markus, DJ4EL, will be active as VP9/DJ4EL from Bermuda (NA-005) until October 31st. Activity will be holiday style on 40-10 meters on SSB using wire antennas. QSL via his home callsign.

XQ7, CHILE. Esteban, XQ7UP, will be active from the rare Coyhaique (Patagonia) Province of Chile, between October 21-28th. Activity will be mainly 20, 15 and 10 meters, but he will also try to work 30 meters PSK31. Other activity will be on SSB and PSK31. Participation also in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th). Also, this activity is good for the Antarctic Challenge. QSL via XQ7UP.

XW, LAOS. Champ, E21EIC, will once again be active as XW0YJY from Vientiane between October 25-29th. Activity will include the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Lower-Power entry. Operations before and after will be CW on 80-10 meters. QSL via E21EIC or OQRS (ClubLog) and LoTW. No eQSL.

Z6, REPUBLIC OF KOSOVO (Z68BH - IN THE CQWW CONTEST). Martti, OH2BH, sent out the following press release on October 18th: "CQWW SSB will bring several Kosovar stations active from this new state recognized today by 105 United Nations member states and qualifying as separate country multiplier in the CQWW Contest.
Among the activity, Z68BH will be operated by Martti, OH2BH, using the new antennas of Driton, Z61DX, with great support of Igor, UA2FZ.
http://ant-depot.com/en.html
During the most recent European DX Contest (WAEDC) many non-EU stations had difficulty with their contest logging programs on Z6 prefix. A new CTY.dat file can be loaded at: http://www.country-files.com
QSL Z68BH via OH2BH."

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** IMPORTANT NOTICE/REMINDER ** The Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin now has a new FAX number. Contributors can now send/fax their DX information to the following number: 1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)
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SPECIAL NOTE BY EDITOR (Updated 09/15/2013): If you are having a problem receiving bounced mail by sending mail to me via <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>, please send mail to me via <kb8nw@...> ...... TNX de Tedd KB8NW
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PLEASE NOTICE (as of February 12th), NEW ADDRESS CHANGES FOR THE

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From Randy Thompson K5ZD <k5zd@...>

WRTC News #20 - Teams are set for WRTC2014 Competition

WRTC2014 NEWS RELEASE #20
http://www.wrtc2014.org/teams-are-set-for-wrtc2014-competition/

Windham, NH
October 18, 2013

Teams are set for WRTC2014 Competition

WRTC2014, Inc., host of the 2014 World Radiosport Team Championship (WRTC), is proud to announce the fifty five teams that will be invited to compete in New England next July.

WRTC is a competition among two-operator teams. Team Leaders were selected for each qualifying region based on 3 years of qualifying scores. The Team Leaders were given the choice to select any operator as a Team Mate to complete their team.

The Team application and verification process was managed by Dan Street, K1TO, himself a 3-time competitor and winner of the event. ☐We are very pleased with the quality of operators selected as Team Mates. Although Team Leaders could select a partner from anywhere in the world, very few opted to choose outside their own Selection Area.☐ Street observed, ☐This will be a very competitive field. The top four teams from WRTC-2010 in Moscow are returning to operate together in 2014!☐

In making the announcement, WRTC2014 Chairman Doug Grant, K1DG, stated, ☐We are pleased to see a mix of veterans of previous WRTC events and first-time

participants among the Team members. The Teams represent over 30 countries and a wide range of personal backgrounds. While the focus will be on the competition, we are looking forward to hosting the teams as they share and spread the international goodwill of the ham radio community in the Team Village during WRTC Week.☐

There are some interesting stories hidden within the team pairings. There are two teams with family members; K1ZM chose his son KK6ZM and KU1CW chose his cousin EA5GTQ. There will be a YL (female) team with DL1QQ selecting DL8DYL as her partner. E77DX declined his Team Leader spot to become the Team Mate of OE3DIA. This enabled 9A5K to gain entry as a Team Leader. ES5TV-ES2RR and 5B4WN-5B4AFM will be operating together in their third consecutive WRTC.

There are four sponsored teams yet to be announced. A Team Sponsor donation earns the right to select a team. Contact Doug, K1DG, for details about the Team Sponsor program.

Questions regarding WRTC2014 team selection should be submitted by e-mail to teamleader@....

About WRTC2014

The World Radiosport Team Championship (WRTC) is held every four years and consists of 50+ two-person teams of amateur radio operators from around the world competing in a test of operating skill. Unlike most on-the-air competitions, all stations are required to use identical antennas from the same geographic region, eliminating all variables except operating ability. Previous WRTCs have been held in Seattle (1990), San Francisco (1996), Slovenia (2000), Finland (2002), Brazil (2006), and Russia (2010). More information is available at www.wrtc2014.org or contact WRTC Chairman Doug Grant, K1DG, via e-mail at k1dg@....

List of Teams

Selection
Area Team Leader Team Mate
AF Achraf ☐Ash☐ Chaabane, 3V/KF5EYY Dr. Hrane Milosevic, YT1AD
AS1 Vadim Ovsyannikov, R9DX Oleg Usov, UA9CDV
AS2 Anatoly Polevik, RC9O Mikhail ☐Mike☐ Klokov, UA9PM
AS3 Marios Nicolaou, 5B4WN Stavros Tsiakkouris, 5B4AFM
AS4 Jie Zheng, BA4ALC Wenjun ☐Vange☐ Yang, BA7IO
AS5 Katsuhiro ☐Don☐ Kondou, JH5GHM Hajime Hazuki, JA1OJE
EU1 Filipe Lopes, CT1ILT José Nunes, CT1BOH
EU1 Sebastien Le Gall , F8DBF Olivier ☐Oli☐ Seizelet, F1AKK
EU1 Kazunori ☐Kazu☐ Watanabe, M0CFW Gerry Lynch, GI0RTN
EU1 Olof Lundberg, G0CKV Mark Haynes, M0DXR
EU1 Stephane Van Langhenhoven, F4DXW Sebastien Bajulaz, F8CMF
EU2 Philippe Lutty, LX2A Andy Ruse, YO3JR
EU2 Luca Aliprandi, IK2NCJ Stefano Brioschi , IK2QEI
EU2 Manfred Wolf, DJ5MW Stefan von Baltz, DL1IAO

EU2 Carlo De Mari, IK1HJS Fabio Schettino, I4UFH
EU2 Sandy Raeker, DL1QQ Irina Stieber, DL8DYL
EU3 Tonno Vahk, ES5TV Toivo Hallikivi, ES2RR
EU3 Gediminas ☐Gedas☐ Lucinskas,LY9A Mindaugas ☐Mindis☐ Jukna,LY4L
EU3 Toni Lindén, OH2UA Kim Östman, OH6KZP
EU3 Kaspars Uztics, YL1ZF Oleg Ostrzigallo, YL3DW
EU4 Ivan Dobrocky, OE3DIA Emir ☐Braco☐ Memic, E77DX
EU4 László ☐Laci☐ Végh , OM2VL Tibor ☐Tibi☐ Ferenec, OM3RM
EU4 Rastislav Hrnko, OM3BH Jozef Lang, OM3GI
EU4 Wolfgang ☐Wolf☐ Klier, OE2VEL Oliver Huber, OE5OHO
EU4 Tine Brajnik, S50A Robert Bajuk, S57AW
EU5 Hrle Horvat, 9A6XX Davor ☐Dave☐ Kucelin, 9A1UN
EU5 Kresimir ☐Chris☐ Kovarik, 9A5K Richard Riley, 9A1TT
EU5 Ranko Boca, 4O3A Ivo Pezer, 9A3A
EU5 Roman Tkachenko, UR0MC Yuri Onipko, VE3DZ
EU5 Andy Kotovsky, UU4JMG Andriy ☐Andy☐ Kazantsev , UU0JM
EU6 Sergey Dyachenko, RX3APM Andrey Karpov, RV1AW
EU6 Andrey Melanin, UA3DPX Igor Korolkov, UA4FER
EU6 Iurii Khmelenko, RL3FT Dmitri Kryukov, RA3CO
NA1 Krassimir ☐Krassy☐ Petkov, K1LZ Mladen Bogdanov , YT6W
NA10 Alex Tkatch, KU1CW Yuri Sakalouski, EA5GTQ
NA11 Jeff Briggs, VY2ZM Patrick Briggs, KK6ZM
NA12 Lee Sawkins, VE7CC Dale Green, VE7SV
NA13 Fred Kleber, K9VV John Sluymer, VE3EJ
NA2 Ray Higgins, W2RE Lee Imber, WW2DX
NA3 Ken Low, KE3X Scott Redd, K0DQ
NA4E Richard DiDonna, NN3W Kamal ☐Kam☐ Sirageldin, N3KS
NA4W Julio Henriquez, AD4Z Dan Thompson, W4UH
NA5 Kevin Stockton, N5DX Steve London, N2IC
NA6 Daniel Craig, N6MJ Chris Hurlbut, KL9A
NA6 John Barcroft, K6AM David Hodge, N6AN
NA7 Mitch Mason, K7RL Jon Kimball, KL2A
NA8 Jim Stahl, K8MR Mike Tessmer, K9NW
NA9 Michael Wetzel, W9RE Mark Beckwith, N5OT
OC Michael Gibson, KH6ND John Hillyer, KH6SH
SA1 Hamilton Oliveira Martins, PY2YU Rafael Martins, PY2NDX
SA2 Jorge Diez, CX6VM Lucas ☐Luc☐ Maiorov,LU1FAM
YOUTH Filippo Vairo, IZ1LBG Paul Whitman, WQ2N
Wild Card Alex Avramov, LZ4AX Christo Ignatov, LZ3FN
Wild Card Suad Zukic, DK6XZ Winfried Kriegl, DK9IP
Def Champions Vlad Aksenov, RW1A Alex Mikhaylov, RA1A

See http://www.wrtc2014.org/qualifying/team-selection/ for an explanation of
the selection areas and the qualification process.

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21747. Great DX!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-10-22 02:45:10 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 21747 Message: 21747

Hi Guys,

Was on this morning around 2230 - 2300z and the high bands were kickin!
Managed to work ZD8O on the long path on 10m! Now that is some amazing DX!
Worked a few Ws on 10m CW. Got the TN guys on 17m SP SSB (and the NA pile was loud!! LP).
Then LU7HF came through over the south pole on 12m CW...it seemed I was in DX heaven for half an hour!

I will be on again tomorrow and plan to be on K3UK's web page if you need Zone29.
Also be aware that VK6IR has a 5 element monobander on 10m, so look out for him too.

The TN guys have been light copy hear mostly as I believe they are beaming north to EU most of the time, I guess that's where most of the contacts would be so I can't blame them.
Looking forward to CE0Z coming up next month!

73, Lance - VK6DU

21748. FW: 8R1A

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-10-22 02:59:00 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 21748 Message: 21748

Hi Guys,

Got this email below the other day and (with Luke's permission) thought I would share it, just so that you W's that go to the Caribbean and South and Central America for DXpeditions have some idea of what it's like over here in VK. Also for any SA, Caribbean stations on the list.

South America and most of the Caribbean is via the south pole for VK6 (and much of VK). We get two main chances each year in the peak of the cycle and they are around equinox. South pole openings start around 2300z for VK6 (20m and above) and can extend through to 0400z. Long path is 1000z extending through to 1400z on a good day.

Polar propagation can be so unstable as I have mentioned various times on this reflector. Seems to be open at present, hope we get more of this!

See you on the bands!

73, Lance - VK6DU

Hi Lance,
Good thing I'm running late this morning!
That is only my second ever QSO with Guyana.
First was the Brazilian exp a couple of years ago.
I never, ever hear the resident hams there, even though they are on almost daily.

Similar situation with Bolivia. The German chap who was there last week allowed me to make two new bands. First was CP4BT about 3 years ago, apart from a few I never confirmed decades ago. Again, the locals are on daily, but never, ever heard here!

Ok mate, must dash.

73,
Luke VK3HJ

21749. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-10-24 16:02:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21749

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:Issued: 2013 Oct 24 1308 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
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SIDC URSIGRAM 31024
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 24 Oct 2013, 1310UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 24 Oct 2013 until 26 Oct 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Major flares expected (X-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Active conditions expected (A>=20 or K=4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Warning condition (activity levels expected to increase, but no numeric
forecast given)
PREDICTIONS FOR 24 Oct 2013 10CM FLUX: 156 / AP: 015
PREDICTIONS FOR 25 Oct 2013 10CM FLUX: 156 / AP: 017
PREDICTIONS FOR 26 Oct 2013 10CM FLUX: 151 / AP: 007
COMMENT: There were six M flares and eleven C flares on the Sun during the past 24
hours. The brightest one was an M9.3 flare released by NOAA AR 11877 with
peak time at 00:30 UT on October 24, and caused a Type II radio burst with
estimated shock speed of 750 km/s. All C and M flares were produced either
by NOAA AR 11875 or NOAA AR 11877, both of which are beta-gamma-delta
regions with rapidly evolving topology. In the next 48 hours, X flares from
either region are possible. Since both regions are near the central
meridian, there is a substantial risk of halo CMEs and a warning condition
for proton storms is issued. In the past 24 hours, solar wind has varied
between about 310 and 350 km/s. In the same period, the Interplanetary
Magnetic Field has varied between 5 and 8 nT. The M4.2 flare of October 22
was accompanied by a faint halo CME, which could deliver a glancing blow to
Earth on October 27. Geomagnetic activity was at quiet levels (K Dourbes
between 0 and 3; NOAA Kp between 0 and 1) during the past 24 hours. Active
conditions (K Dourbes = 4) with isolated minor storm intervals (K Dourbes =
5) are possible in the second half of October 24 and on October 25, due to
a possible glancing blow from the CME from October 22 (observed by LASCO C2
at 4:36 UT). Quiet conditions (K Dourbes < 4) are expected for October 26.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 105, BASED ON 13 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 23 Oct 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 158
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 153
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 005
AK WINGST : 004
ESTIMATED AP : 003
ESTIMATED ISN : 089, BASED ON 18 STATIONS.
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NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
23 2041 2053 2059 ////// M2.7 17/1875
24 0021 0030 0035 ////// M9.3 N 18/1877 II/2I/1
23 2333 2343 2347 ////// M1.4 F 17/1875
23 2358 0008 0016 ////// M3.1 17/1875
24 0959 1009 1017 ////// M2.5 F 16/1875 II/1
24 1030 1033 1037 ////// M3.5 110 16/1875 II/1
END

21750. ARLD043 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-10-24 22:33:31 UTC
From: jjreisert@...
Topic: 6677 Message: 21750

SB DX @ ARL $ARLD043
ARLD043 DX news

ZCZC AE43
QST de W1AW
DX Bulletin 43 ARLD043
>From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT October 24, 2013
To all radio amateurs

SB DX ARL ARLD043
ARLD043 DX news

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by KX9X, NC1L, QRZ DX, the OPDX Bulletin, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, DXNL, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

TUNISIA, 3V. A group of operators will be QRV as 3V7A as a Multi/Single entry in the CQ World Wide SSB DX contest. QSL via LX1NO.

AZERBAIJAN, 4K. Alim, 4K6FO will be a Single Op entry in the CQ World Wide SSB DX contest. QSL direct to home call.

SIERRA LEONE, 9L. Zbig, SP5BTB is QRV as 9L1BTB until November 10 while working for the UN in Freetown. He is active on all bands and modes. QSL direct to home call.

QATAR, A7. A group of operators will be QRV as A73A in the CQ World Wide SSB DX contest as a Multi/Two entry. QSL via A71A.

BAHRAIN, A9. Special event call A91ACC is QRV until October 31 during the Arab Cycling Championship. QSL via IZ8CLM.

TAIWAN, BV. A group of operators will be QRV as BV55D as a Multi/Single entry in the CQ World Wide SSB DX contest. QSL via operators' instructions.

CHILE, CE. Estebam, XQ7UP is QRV from Coyhaique until October 28. Activity is mainly on 20, 15 and 10 meters using SSB and PSK31 with PSK31 only on 30 meters. This includes being an entry in the CQ World Wide SSB DX contest. QSL to home call.

MOROCCO, CN. A large group of operators will be QRV as CN2AA as a Multi/Single entry in the CQ World Wide SSB DX contest. QSL via UA2FM.

CAPE VERDE, D4. A group of operators will be QRV as D4C from Sao Vicente Island, IOTA AF-086, in the CQ World Wide SSB DX contest as a Multi/Multi entry. QSL via YL2GM.

CANARY ISLANDS, EA8. Jaime, WP3A will be QRV as ED8P from Santa Cruz de Tenerife, IOTA AF-004, in the CQ World Wide SSB DX contest as a Single Band/Low Power entry on 15 meters. QSL direct via NP3O.

LIECHTENSTEIN, HB0. Laci, HA7JTR is QRV as HB0/HA7JTR from Masescha until October 29. This includes being an entry in the CQ World Wide SSB DX contest. QSL to home call.

ARUBA, P4. Valery, R5GA is QRV as P4/R5GA. He will be active as P40F in the CQ World Wide SSB DX contest. QSL contest call via UA3DX and P4/R5GA to home call.

SABA, ST. EUSTATIUS, PJ6. Operators KB1ZOJ, K4UEE, K5AC, N4GRN and W6IZT are QRV as PJ6/home calls from Saba Island, IOTA NA-145, until October 29. Activity is on the HF bands using CW and RTTY. They will be active as PJ6A as a Multi/Single entry in the CQ World Wide SSB DX contest. QSL contest call via N4NX and all others via operators' instructions.

DODECANESE, SV5. Rich, M5RIC is QRV as SW5CC from Rhodes Island, IOTA EU-001, until October 31. This includes an entry in the CQ World Wide SSB DX contest. QSL via M0OXO.

PALAU, T8. Tom, JN2AMD is QRV as T88AZ until October 28. Activity is on 80 to 10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. This includes being an entry in the CQ World Wide SSB DX contest. QSL to home call.

GUATEMALA, TG. A group of operators will be QRV as TG0AA from Monterrico in the CQ World Wide SSB DX contest. QSL via bureau.

HONG KONG, VR. A group of operators will be QRV as VR2PX as a Multi/Single entry in the CQ World Wide SSB DX contest. QSL via IV3TAN.

VIET NAM, XV. Mike, N0ODK is QRV as XV4MN from Phu Quoc Island, IOTA AS-128, until October 29. He will be a Single Op/All Band/Low Power entry in the CQ World Wide SSB DX contest. QSL to home call.

LAOS, XW. Champ, E21EIC is QRV as XW0YJY. This includes being a Single Op/All Band/Low Power entry in the CQ World Wide SSB DX contest. Before and after the contest he is active on the HF bands using some CW. QSL to home call.

OPERATION APPROVED FOR DXCC CREDIT. The following operation is approved for DXCC Credit: Afghanistan, T6JR, 2013 operation.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The ARRL EME Contest and CQ Worldwide SSB DX Contest are scheduled for this weekend. Please see October QST, page 89, and the ARRL and WA7BNM contest web sites for details. NNNN

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21751. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-10-25 14:30:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21751

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:Issued: 2013 Oct 25 1255 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 31025
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 25 Oct 2013, 1210UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 25 Oct 2013 until 27 Oct 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Major flares expected (X-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Active conditions expected (A>=20 or K=4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Warning condition (activity levels expected to increase, but no numeric
forecast given)
PREDICTIONS FOR 25 Oct 2013 10CM FLUX: 166 / AP: 005
PREDICTIONS FOR 26 Oct 2013 10CM FLUX: 166 / AP: 011
PREDICTIONS FOR 27 Oct 2013 10CM FLUX: 161 / AP: 016
COMMENT: New beta region NOAA AR 11882 near the East limb produced one X flare, two
M flares, and one C flare during the past 24 hours. During the same period,
eight C flares were released by NOAA AR 11875 (beta-gamma-delta) and 11877
(beta-gamma). The X1.7 flare peaked at 08:01 UT on October 25, and caused a
Type II radio burst with estimated shock speed of 1240 km/s as observed by
the San Vito solar observatory. SDO/AIA observed a filament eruption in the
NE around 2:59 UT on October 25. In the next 48 hours, X flares are
possible, especially from NOAA AR 11882. There is a substantial risk of
halo CMEs and the warning condition for proton storms remains valid. In the
past 24 hours, solar wind has varied between about 300 and 350 km/s. In the
same period, the Interplanetary Magnetic Field has decreased from about 7
to 2 nT. A weak glancing blow from the CME from October 22 (4:36 UT) seems
to have happened around 4h UT on October 25, without any geomagnetic
effects. Strong CMEs were registered by LASCO C2 on October 24 (17:24 UT)
and October 25 (3:24 UT, related to the M2.9 flare; 4:48 UT, related to the
filament eruption; 8:24 UT, related to the X1.7 flare). Preliminary
analysis suggests that these CMEs will not be geo-effective. Geomagnetic
activity was at quiet levels (K Dourbes between 0 and 3; NOAA Kp between 0
and 1) during the past 24 hours. Quiet conditions (K Dourbes < 4) are
expected for October 25 and the first half of October 26. Active conditions
(K Dourbes = 4) with isolated minor storm intervals (K Dourbes = 5) are
possible in the second half of October 26 and on October 27, due to the
expected arrival of the CME from October 22 (observed by LASCO C2 at 21:20
UT).
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 097, BASED ON 11 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 24 Oct 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 157
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 161
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AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 005
AK WINGST : 002
ESTIMATED AP : 002
ESTIMATED ISN : 105, BASED ON 19 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
25 0248 0302 0312 ////// M2.9 23/1882 II/1V/1I/2
25 0753 0801 0809 ////// X1.7 610 23/1882 II/2I/2 1V/1
25 0943 1012 1025 ////// M1.0 F 23/1882 II/1
END

21752. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1134

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-10-25 16:00:00 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 21752 Message: 21752

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*** EDITOR'S SPECIAL NOTES (by Tedd, KB8NW): This week's bulletin was sent out earlier than normal to accommodate the late CQWW DX SSB Contest announcements. Also, we wanted to provide the readers with a consolidated listing of the CQWW DX SSB Contest participants.

DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Friday, 18th-October, through Friday, 25th-October there were 229 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3B9, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5W, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9M6, 9V, 9X, 9Y, A3, A4, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C2, C3, C5, C6, C9, CE, CE0Y, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FH, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FS, FW, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J6, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ5, PJ7, PY, PY0F, PZ, S5, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV/a, SV5, SV9, T32, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TI9, TJ, TK, TN, TT, TU, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V6, V7, V8, VE, VK, VP2E, VP2M, VP2V, VP5, VP6, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VR, VU, XE, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YJ, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, Z8, ZA, ZB, ZD7, ZD8, ZD9, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS, ZS8

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

3V, TUNISIA. Operators Hrane/YT1AD, Andrey/RA9CKQ and Ashraf "Ash"/ KF5EYY (SWL 3V4-002) will be active as 3V7A, from the 3V8BB club station at the "Institute Superieur de L'Animation Pour la Jeunesse et la Culture" in Bir El Bay, Tunis, during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via LoTW or to LX1NO.

4L, GEORGIA. Operator Vaho, 4L8A, will be active in both the CQWW DX SSB (October 26-27th) and CQWW DX CW Contests (November 23-24th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (15m) entry. QSL via K1BV or LoTW.

5H, TANZANIA. Jacques, HB9EYP, will once again be active (possibly as 5H3JJ - pending) from Zanzibar between November 2-9th. Activity will be QRP on 20-6 meters (possibly 40m) using an Elecraft KX3 with 10 watts into a Windom antenna from the beach. QSL via his home callsign, direct, by the Bureau or LoTW.

5J0, SAN ANDRES ISLAND (Updated Callsign). Members of the "DX Friends" will activate San Andres Island (NA-033) as 5J0R (not HK0R as announced last week) between November 1-10th. The updated list of operators mentioned are Alberto/EA1SA, Toni/EA5RM (Team Leader), Roberto/EA2RY, Manolo/EA7AJR, Jose/EA7KW, Fabrizio/IN3ZNR, Tony/F8ATS, Faber/HK6F, Bernard/F9IE, Roberto/ HK3CW, Valery/RG8K and Mike/RU1WN. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. Suggested frequencies are listed in OPDX.1132. QSL via EA5RM direct (see Web page). You can use the OQRS (see Web page) for direct and Bureau cards. Visit their Web page at: http://www.dxfriends.com/SanAndres2013

6V, SENEGAL. Robert, DL7VOA, will be active as 6V7D from Toubab Dialaw between November 29th and December 7th. Activity will be mainly on CW, with some SSB, on 40-10 meters. QSL via DL7VOA. ADDED NOTE: Please be advised to only QSL this operation to DL7VOA. A Russian group used this callsign back in March of 2011.

7P, LESOTHO. Wolfgang, DH3WO, will once again return to Lesotho for a brief operation as 7P8WO between December 22-24th. Activity will be holiday style (as time allows) on the HF bands. QSL via DH3WO, direct or by the Bureau.

7Z1, SAUDI ARABIA. Abdul, 7Z1CQ, will active during the CQ WW DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via LoTW. Visit his Web page at: http://7z1cq.com

9M2, WEST MALAYSIA. Members of the North of Peninsular Malaysia ARA Boys Contest n' DXers will be active as 9M2SM during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th) as a Multi-2 entry on 80-10 meters. QSL via 9M2GET. Operators mentioned are Hairil/9M2GET, Oja/9M2OUT, Han/9W2SBD, Mohamad/ 9W2SBL, Ahmad/9M2AGC and Syed/9M8SYA.

A7, QATAR (Update/Change). Club station of the Qatar Amateur Radio Society (A71A) will be active as A73A during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th) as a Multi-2 entry. QSL via A71A. Operators mentioned are A71A club members, Jan/OZ1ADL, Alex/OZ7AM and Arne/OZ4VW.

AH2, GUAM. Members of the Guam Contest Club will be active as AH2R during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th) as a Multi-Single entry. Operators mentioned are: Noriyuki/7N2JZT (NH2KO), Nozomu/JE8KKX (AH2K), Masahiro/JH3PRR (KH8B), Toshinobu/JI3ERV (NH2C), Toshimasa/WI3O and Ritsu/WX8M. QSL via LoTW or direct to JH7QXJ. PLEASE DO NOT QSL via the KH2 Bureau.

BV55, TAIWAN (Contest/Special Event). Members of the radio club station of the China Radio Association will be active as BV55D during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th) as a Multi-Single entry. This is a special event station to celebrate the 55th anniversary of Densen broadcasting company. Operators mentioned are Tang/BM2AAV, BM2LME, Eddie/BV2DD, Evan/BV2KS, Lee/BV2NT, Lee/BX2AB, Bill/BX3AC and Pro/BX4AN. QSL direct to: c/o C.R.A., P.O.Box 117-254, Taipei City, Taiwan. R.O.C. For more QSL info and the log, see: http://www.cra.org.tw/amateur/qsl_en.aspx http://www.ham.org.tw/specialcall/special_log.aspx?whatcall=BV55D

C3, ANDORRA. Members of the "Unio de Radioaficionats Andorrans" will be active as C37NL during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th) as a Multi-Op entry. Operators mentioned are Josep/C31AT, Josep/C31JM, Beli/C31KC, Michel/C31MO, Joan/C31US, Martinho/C31VM, Xavi/C32JK and Gerardo/EA3HCJ. QSL via the Bureau or direct to: Unio de Radioaficionats Andorrans, P.O. Box 1150, Andorra la Vela AD553, Andorra. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW soon.

C8, MOZAMBIQUE (Update). By the time you read this, the C82DX team will be QRT. John, K6MM, reported on Tuesday, October 22nd at 1332z: "Last day to get them in the log!....The DXpedition will end in less than 24 hours - on Wednesday, 23-October at daybreak local Mozambique time... ..Once again poor propagation, heavy winds and intermittent electrical problems hampered the operation yesterday, especially on 160M.....Good openings on 12M, 15M, and 20M helped push total QSOs to over 24,000..." QSL via the OQRS by ClubLog (Highly Recommended/Preferred Method) to receive a QSL either direct and by the Bureau. To QSL direct via the mail, send it to: C82DX, Box 333, Bethlehem, GA 30620 USA [Please do not send IRCs. See details on their Web page]. They will not confirm QSOs via the eQSL system. The C82DX Web page is at: http://c82dx.com

CASTLE NEWS. Members of the "Lupi della Majella Team" plan to activate possibly three castles on Sunday, October 27th, from Italy. Look for operators Augusto/I2JJR/6, Fiorello/IZ6YLM/p and Silvino/IW6NZY/p between 0730-1130z (depending on the WX) to be on 40 and 20 meters, possibly some other higher bands, on SSB with 2 stations from the following:
* Reference: IFF-175 - "Parco Regionale Sirente Velino"
* Reference: DCI-AQ001 / WCA-I00573 - Castle of Beffi
[and maybe]
* Reference: DCI-AQ002 / WCA-I00574 - Castle of Roccapreturo

CN2, MOROCCO. Jim, W7EJ, will once again be active as CN2R during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 26-17th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. He will be here until November 30th. QSL via W7EJ.

CN2, MOROCCO. A Russian team is expected to be active as CN2AA during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th) as a Multi-Single entry. Operators mentioned are Oleg/R3FA, Dmitry/RA3ATX, Eugene/RK3AD, Andrei/RK7A, Yuri/RL3FT, Alex/RN2FA, Sergei/RU3RQ, Roman/RV3MA, Sergey/RX3APM, Dmitri/UA2FB, Vladimir/UA2FF and Babayan/UA3ASZ. QSL via UA2FM and LoTW.

CN3, MOROCCO. Operators Stefano/IK2QEI, Matteo/IK2SGC, Flavio/IK1SPR, Marco/IK2LFF, Manuel/IK3STG, Richard/N6KT, Ahmed/CN8WK and Saaid/CN8WW will be active as CN3A from Safi during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th) as a Multi-2 entry. QSL via LoTW or via IV3ZXQ. Visit their Web page at: http://www.facebook.com/pages/CN3A/112969535390789

CR3, MADEIRA. Members of the Madeira Contest Team will be active as CR3A during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th) as a Multi-? entry. Operators mentioned are Joe/CT3BD, Luis/CT3DL, Joe/CT3DZ, Luis/CT3EE, Duarte/CT3EN, Tiago/CT3KU, Jose/CT3KY and Jose/CT3NT (CT1BOH). QSL via LoTW or EA5GL.

D4, CAPE VERDE. Yuris, YL2GM, is now active as D44TYL from Sao Vicente Island (AF-086). Activity has been mainly 20 and 15 meters SSB. Length of stay is unknown. QSL via YL2GM.

DXCC NEWS. Bill Moore, NC1L, ARRL Awards Branch Manager, reports that the following operation is approved for DXCC credit:
T6JR - Afghanistan; 2013 Operation

E2/HS, THAILAND. Look for the following Thai operators and stations to be in the CQWW SSB Contest (October 26-27th):
E21YDP - Operator Dej will be active as a Single-Op/Single-Band (15m) entry. QSL via E21YDP.
E20PFE - Operator Part will be active as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL via E20PFE.
HS4DDQ - Operator Paul will be active as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL via HS4DDQ.
E2E - Operators Nikorn/HS5NMF, Jack/HS1FVL, Nukool/HS7BHK, Don/E20MIO and Mike/E29BUQ will be active as a Multi-Op/High-Power entry. QSL via HS0ZFZ.
HS4AK - Operators Art/HS4LKW and E20OXX will be active as a Multi-Op entry. QSL via E20YLM.
HS5AC - Operators Jumsai/HS1NIV, Khun/HS1LCI, Surachart/E20QVD and Noppadol/HS5IGY will be active as a Multi-Op entry. QSL via HS1NIV.
HS4SSP - Operators Obby/HS4SSP, Ray/HS4RAY, Yut/HS4ESF and HS4SCM will be active as a Multi-Single/Low-Power entry. QSL via HS4RAY.

EA6, BALEARIC ISLANDS. Robert, S53R, will be active as EA6BF from Ibiza Island (EU-004) during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. Outside the contest, he will sign EA6/S53R. QSL via S53R direct. NO BUREAU.

ED9, CEUTA AND MELILLA (On and Off again, On again!). Jorge, EA9LZ, has stepped forward to activate ED9Z from Ceuta during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (15m) entry. QSL via LoTW

or via EA5KB.

FS, ST. MARTIN (Reminder). Operators Randy/N0TG, Ron/AA4VK and Jeff/N1SNB will be active as FS/homecall from St. Martin (NA-105, WLOTA 0383) between October 24-31st. Activity will probably be like their PJ7 operation - a suitcase operation on 40-10 meters using CW and SSB, with wire antennas and 100 watts. The trio will be active as FS/N1SNB during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th). QSL "ALL" callsigns via AA4VK.

FT5Z, AMSTERDAM ISLAND (Press Release, Date October 21st): "A sea container filled with our equipment --- transceivers, amplifiers, antennas, wire and cable, connectors, baluns, bandpass filters, camp supplies, and other miscellaneous equipment -- is now on its way to New Zealand. There it will be loaded aboard our ship, the MV Braveheart. The Braveheart crew and our VK6 friends have our shopping lists for other needed materials and are procuring these items for us. These materials will all come together in January when the Braveheart and the FT5ZM team arrive in Fremantle, Australia.
Our network and logging team are in the last round of testing our system for the seamless uploading of our logs. Currently we can export 400 QSO's each hour from each of 10 PC's in approximately 500 msec. The log collection will be automatic, so there is no interruption of operator time. A zipped log file with 100,000 QSO's will be just over 600 Kb in size, saving time and money on satellite uploads. The process has been tested end to end, including uploading to ClubLog.
We are in the phase of the DXpedition where large expenses are coming at us rapidly. We've completed one down payment on our ship, we've had to purchase some equipment and shipping supplies, shipping and customs fees have been paid, our anchorage and per diem costs at Amsterdam Island are coming due, we will be seeing berthing and ship supply charges from Fremantle soon, and we have another ship payment due on December 1.
We are staying within our budgeted expenses, but contributions have been somewhat less than we had hoped. It now appears almost certain that the team members will have to increase their personal contribution from $10,000 per person to $12,500 per person as well as pay their own way to and from Fremantle, Australia. If you've contributed to the DXpedition, we thank you. If you've yet to help us, or if you can send some additional help our way, we can certainly use any financial support that you can give us.
Please continue to check our progress, our news updates, and photos on our website: <www.amsterdamdx.org> If, while you are there, you'd hit the 'Donate' tab, we'd really, really appreciate it.
Ralph ☐ K0IR"

HR, HONDURAS. Operators Dan/HR2DMR, HQ2DOM and Johnny/HQ2JCM will once again be active as HR2WW during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th), as a Multi-Singled/Low-Power entry. They will use monoband antennas. QSL via KD4POJ.

HS0, THAILAND. Operators Fred/K3ZO (HS0ZAR), Sam/SM3DYU (HS0ZDY), Stig/LA7JO (HS0ZGD), Tham/E21CJN, Tony/G4UAV (HS0ZDX), Peter/NO2R (HS0ZKX)

and possibly others will be active as HS0ZAR during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) as a Multi-Single or Multi-2 entry. QSL via K3ZO.

II7, ITALY (Lighthouse Op). Look for II8LH/7 to be active Monday, October 28th, at about 1600 (??? - could be localtime) from Basilicata - Torre del Faro or Scanzana (ITA-318 and BA-001 WAIL). QSL direct to IK8YFU. QSL Bureau to HB9FHZ.

IOTA NEWS.....
AF-019. Emilio, IZ1GAR, will be active as IG9W from Lampedusa Island [African Italy] (IIA AG-001, MIA MI-126, WLOTA 2312) during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) as a Single-Op/ Single-Band (40m) entry. Lampedusa counts a multiplier for Zone 33 Africa Italy for the CQWW DX rule, the island is located over the African continent platform. QSL via direct or by the Bureau.

EU-025. The II9K Contest Team will once again be active as II9K from Sicily Island during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th) as a Multi-Single entry. Operators mentioned are Giuseppe/ IT9HBT, Girolamo/IT9GNG, Rino/IT9FXY, Vincenzo/IT9ECQ, Sal/ IW9FRA, Mike/IF9ZWA and Domenico/IW9GTD. The II9K Contest Team will be active during the contest, testing their new setup and the stack antennas for 10m, this year with a little bit of ambition. QSL via IT9HBT. For more details, see: http://www.ii9k.it

OC-035. DX-World.net reports that Ralph, YJ0RK, will be active from Awei Island this weekend for CQWW DX SSB Contest. Ralph mentions that he will be returning to VK sooner than expected due to a failing weather window and an early predicted cyclone season. Therefore no activity from OC-111 is now planned. QSL via NR6M.

OC-157. A team of 8 operators will be active from the rare Banda Besar Island between November 10-15th. Callsign(s) have not been announced yet. Activity will be on 40-10 meters using CW and SSB. The operators mentioned are Joppy/YB8XM (Team Leader), Marthin/YB8VM, Danny/YC8VDT, Richard/YD8VSR, Agustinus/YD8VRA G. Saiya/YD8VRS, Fransicus/YC8VFB and Robert/YC0MVP. Look for more details to be forthcoming. Watch the following Blog page for updates at: http://oc157.blogspot.co.uk

OC-186. DX-World.net is reporting that Adhi, YB3MM, is making plans to activate Karimunjawa Island again as YB3MM/2 tentatively between November 9-10th. Activity will be on the HF bands using CW and SSB. QSL via IZ8CCW. Check out info about his last operation at: http://www.yb3mm.com/2013/07/karimunjawa-island2.html

OC-221. Joppy, YB8XM, is now active as YB8XM/P from Dulah Laut Island (in the Kai Islands IOTA Group) until October 27th. Activity will be on the HF bands using a G5RV antenna. QSL via YB9KU.

SA-035. (Update) A group of YL operators will be active as YW5RYL from Los Roques between November 7-10th. The current operators mentioned are Carolina/YV4AW, Maika/YY5ALO, Geraldine/YY2GAL, Alejendra/YY5AA, Laura/YY5OLA, Mary/YY5MCO and Yumayra/YY5YVR. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. The group will be using ClubLog during this operation. Their Web page is now active at: http://yw5ryl.hamradioyv.com

J7, DOMINICA. Walter, HB9MFM, will once again be active as J79WTA from the Tamarind Tree Hotel near Salisbury on Dominica (NA-101) between October 21st and December 21st. He will be joined by Dieter/HB9TPQ (J79DP) and Kurt/HB9BZG (J79KZ). Activity will be holiday style on 160-10 meters using SSB, RTTY and PSK. He will use an IC-7000 with an ACOM 1000 into a dipole 50m above sea level and Spider Beam. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

KH7, HAWAII. Once again the members of the "Coconut Wireless Contest Club" (formerly AH6XX) will be active as KH7CW from Aiea, on the Island of Oahu (USI HI008S, WLOTA 1227, WW Loc. BL11bj, Honolulu county), Hawaii (OC-019) in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th) as a Multi-2 entry. Operators mentioned are: Tetsuo/AH7C, Katsu/JA1DXA, Tac/JE1FQV, Akira/JH1BUO, Soi/JH1ECG, Rich/K2WR and possibly others. QSL via LoTW, or direct to K2WR.

KH9, WAKE ISLAND (Update). The K9W Wake Island Management Team has announced on October 22nd on their Web page: "The Wake Management Team continues to work with the USAF to set rescheduled dates for this Com-memorative DXpedition. Once we have the new dates, we will post them here and through the normal Amateur Radio communication media. Thank you for your patience and understanding."

KP4, PUERTO RICO. Daniel, KP4BD, will be active as KP4BD from Las Piedras during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (40m) entry. QSL via NP3O.

KP4, PUERTO RICO. James, KH2RU, will be active as KH2RU/KP4 during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (TBD) entry. QSL via NP3O.

OH0, ALAND ISLAND. Waldemar, SM0TQX, will be active as OH0JFP during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (10m) entry. QSL via OH0JFP, by the Bureau or direct. NO eQSL.

OH0, ALAND ISLAND. Tomi, OH6EI, will be active once again as OH0Z during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via W0MM.

P3, CYPRUS. Operators Roli/LY4A, Jack/R2AA, Andy/RA4DX, Tony/RT9T, Sergey/RU9I, Max/RV3BA, Vadim/UA9SCX, Roman/UR0MC, Ruslan/UR3QCW, Victoria/UU6JR and Andy/YO3JR will be active as P3N during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via RW3RN.

P4, ARUBA (Cancelled). John, W2GD, who was expected to be active as P40W from Santa Cruz, Aruba (SA-036, WLOTA 0033), for the CQWW DX SSB Contest, had to cancel his operation due to an illness in his family.

P4, ARUBA. Andy, AE6Y, will be active as P49Y from Aruba (SA-036) during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via LoTW or AE6Y.

PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (October 28th-November 3rd)....
Oct/28th AN Oct/31st AN Nov/02nd AN
Oct/29th BN Nov/01st AN Nov/03rd AN
Oct/30th AN

SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS/INDEXES AND GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE
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NORMALITY GEOMAG K Values Alpha
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AN - Above Normal Quiet K=0-1 0-7
HN - High Normal Unsettled K=2 8-15
LN - Low Normal Active K=3 16-29
BN - Below Normal Minor Storm K=4 30-49
DIS - Disturbed Major Storm K=5 50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed Severe Storm K=6-9 100-400

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
V6G AND T8GM QSL STATUS. Gerben, PG5M, reported on October 20th, that he received the V6G and T8GM cards from the printer on October 19th. All direct requests received should be in the mail as of the 21st.

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 3A2MW, 3B8/G4BVY, 4K9W, 4U1ITU, 4Z1TL, 5W1SA, 5X1NH, 9M6XRO, 9A282TN, A35JP/H, A65BP, A92GE, BX5AA, C91R, CT8/DL4KG, CX2DK, DF2SD, DL2RMM, DL5MEV, DM5TS, EA5IDG, EC1DBO, EW1TZ, EY8MM, GP0PKT, HB0/HB9CVQ, HC8/G8OFQ, ID9Y, J6/G4BVY, J75KG, JA3HBF, JT1R, K1FWE, K7IA, K8MP, KG4HF, KH2L, KH2/N2NL, KL7RA, MC0SHL, MJ0ASP, MU0FAL, NH0J, N0HJZ, N7BV, OH1F, OH8A, OW75FOC, OX3XR, OZ0JX, OZ2PBS, P49X, PJ2/K5JP, SB6A, SM5J, SQ6PLH, SV9/SV2FPU, TM35CDXC, TZ6BB, V31AE, V51LZ, VA7ST, VK3EW, VU7KV, W1SRD, WW4LL, W7WW, XW4XR, XX9LT, YS1/NP3J, ZB2CN and ZP9MCE

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 4J20RO, 5Z4/SM1TDE, 9X0PY, DL6DQW, EP3SMH, EU1A, EX2M, F6KFV, FK8CE, G3MGW, GZ5Y, HB9LCW, HB9TUD, IS0BRD, J69DS, JW/DL2JIM, JY9FC, KP2/NP3D, MJ0CFW, PA13KING, PJ2/IW1FC, T2YY, T8GM, UK8FF, V6G, VP2V/W9DR, XW0YJY, XZ1Z, Z320E and Z320G

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 1A0C, 3A/F4BKV, 5B/G4MKP, 5B75FOC, 5R8C, 9M4SLL, 9M6DXX, 9M6XRO, 9M8Z, 9U4U, CE0Y/SM6CUK, CN8RN, CY9M, FG/F5RYX, FG4NO, FG80J, FK8CP, FK8IK, FO5RH, FO8RZ, FR/F5UOW, FR1LB, FS/F6AUS, GO2HQ, G100C, HH2/HB9AMO, HK6NA, HK0NA, HS0ZEF, JW/F8DVD, JY5MM, K5D, MS0OXE, MX0LDG, OX3KQ, P29VCX, PJ4C, SV5/SM8C, TJ3FC, TJ9PF,TK1W, TO5G, S79UFF, V63ZM, VU3RWP, XL2I, XU7ATM, XV7SW, YB1KI, YF1AR and ZZ7HQ

RI1, ANTARCTICA. Mike, RW1AI, will be active as RI1ANT from Progress Base, Antarctica (IOTA AN-016), between December 15th and March 15th,

2015. Activity will be on all HF bands using dipoles and amp. QSL via RW1AI. Online log will be available at: http://www.qsl.net/ua1ake/logs

TC90, TURKEY (Update/Change). Operators Deniz/TA1CQ, Can/TA1CR, Leonardo/TA1FR, Tevfik/TA1HZ and Hakan/TA3HM will be active as TC90A during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th) as a Multi-Single/All-Band entry. QSL via TA1HZ. PLEASE NOTE: The TC90TC team has cancelled their Multi-Multi operation. It will be either a Single-Op/All-Band or Single-Band entry. The operator is to be named later. ADDED NOTE (Reminder). The special prefix TC90 is to celebrate the 90th anniversary of Turkey.

TU, COTE D'LVOIRE (Update to OPDX.1133). Operators Chris/F4WBN (ex-TL0A), Paul/F6EXV and Jan/DJ8NK, who will be active as TU5AX, TU5XV and TU5NK, respectively, for a solidarity radio operation which will take place between November 17-30th, now have a Web page active online at: http://www.premiumorange.com/tu2013

VE2, CANADA (Zone 2). Operator Yuri, VE3DZ, will once again be active as VE2IM from Sept-Iles, QC (Zone 2), during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power. Yuri states that he will be there between October 23-19th. This is his 18th trip to Zone 2 since 1999. Activity before and after the contest will be on CW, SSB and RTTY, and all HF bands including the 30/17/12 meter bands. QSL via VE3DZ, direct, by the Bureau or LoTW.

VK9LL WRAP-UP REPORT. Luis, IV3PRK , reports [edited]: "Tomas, VK2CCC, wrote a great report 'VK9LL story 2013' with a lot of comments, technical info, links and nice pictures downloadable as a PDF file from this page of my website: http://www.iv3prk.it/vk9ll---2013.htm
(Sorry, he said his server is down)
Apart from having worked him or not, the document is very interesting for the comments on RX and TX antennas and useful to get some ideas for a successful low-band operation. We knew already the 160m dedication and effort of Tomas, but now we learn how much experience, preparation and technical skill is behind his DXpeditions. Enjoy reading it."

VK9M, MELLISH REEF (Update). A few items have been updated on the VK9MT Mellish Reef Web site <http://www.vk9mt.com>. The dates are now posted on the Web page. The team will sail aboard the yacht "Evohe" and plan to be active between March 28th and April 9th, 2014. Also, the VK9MT team has added two more operators - Luigi/IV3YER and Heye/DJ9RR. The current list of operators are now: Pista/HA5AO (Team Leader), Heye/DJ9RR, Luigi/IV3YER, Dave/K3EL, Glenn/KE4KY, Jacky/ZL3CW, George/HA5UK, Gene/K5GS, Luke/VK3HJ, and Les/W2LK (Co-Leader). Pilot stations are Ralph/W4HK (Chief Pilot - NA), Col/MM0NDX (EU), Stan/KH6CG (OC), Andre/V51B (AF), and Lee/ZL2AL (VK/ZL). Corporate sponsors are Elecraft and SteppIR. They have also added a bands/modes survey. You can provide them with your needs at: http://www.vk9mt.com/index.php?option=com_pollxt&Itemid=71
For more details and updates, visit the VK9MT Web page at: http://www.vk9mt.com

VR2, HONG KONG. Operators Alberto/IV3TAN, Andy/IK7YTT and Sai/VR2PX will be active as VR2PX during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via IV3TAN.

Z8, REPUBLIC OF SOUTH SUDAN (Press Release). Jarmo, OH2BN, sent out the following press release on October 23rd [edited]: "A multinational group of Dietmar/DL3DXX, Wayne/N7NG, Hans/PB2T, Olli/OH0XX, Martti/OH2BH, Pertti/OH2PM, Veijo/OH6KN and Tevfik/TA1HZ (Team Doctor) will be in Juba, South Sudan, from November 14-28th, 2013, and will activate Z81X with an emphasis on low bands, 160m and 80m. The period includes the CQWW CW contest with some single-band entries and low-band SSB focus during the contest weekend. Hosted by the Ministry of Posts and Telecommunications, the group led by Hans, PB2T, President of IARU R1, will conduct a series of workshops and establish a sound amateur radio spectrum management regime and related regulations. It will also introduce Amateur Radio to the Ministry of Education. Also participating in these efforts are two local amateurs; Massimo, Z81B (IZ0EGB), and Diya, Z81D (YI1DZ). This part of the program is supported by Yasme Foundation Inc.
The plan is to activate three FTDx3000 stations with amps, low-band verticals and beverage antennas. Two different radio locations may be used. The operation will be generator based.
The Z81X team will use their QRZ.com pages for providing further updates and recognizing their supporters, with Vlad, UA6JD as their webmaster.
Z81X Project Goodwill South Sudan is organized jointly by Radio Arcala, DX University, IARU Region 1 and Rock City Investments Co., and the equipment sponsor is Yaesu Musen Co. Ltd of Japan.
In support of the DX University, we will take note of specific relationships between pileup behavior and operator technique. Additional information will be available before the expedition begins.
The highest cost item is equipment transport, with courier service the only reliable means of transportation. The group welcomes support from individuals, clubs and foundations to offset some of the high equipment transport expenses. You may contact any of the group members for your potential support or use PayPal at Z81X QRZ.com.
QSL Z81X via OH0XX."

ZL, NEW ZEALAND. Members of the Quake Contesters Group will be active as ZL3X during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th) as a Multi-2/High-Power entry. QSL via ZL3PAH or LoTW. Operators mentioned are Mark/ZL3AB, Don/ZL3DMC, Byron/ZL3DXT, Geoff/ZL3GA, Chris/ZL3LF and Phil/ZL3PAH.

ZP8, PARAGUAY. Hugo, K2DER, will be active as ZP8T during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th) as a Single-Op/Low-Power entry. QSL only direct (send an E-mail for QSL address to <k2der@...>). NO BUREAU, NO eQSL, NO LoTW and NO IRCs.

ZP8, PARAGUAY. Manuel, ZP8MCE, will be active during both CQWW DX SSB (October 26-27th) and CQWW DX CW Contests (November 23-24th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL via EA5ZD.

ZS8, MARION ISLAND. Carson, ZS8C (ZR6CWI), posted the following on QRZ.com on October 22nd: "I have managed to move my radio into my office, making

HAM activities much simpler (I used to have it installed in our emergency base which can get a bit cold!). Recently I have started becoming more active on the air, and I am hoping to make a lot more contacts in the coming weeks and months. My preferred method of making contacts is to arrange a 'private' sked between a couple of HAMs. Please note that my signal is a bit weak due to my set-up, so you might have to listen very closely. Due to island rules, I cannot upgrade my antenna, so I am stuck with what I've got. If you would like to arrange a sked, please pop me an E-mail <zs8c@...>. I look forward to meeting as many HAMs as I can. Thank you to everyone who has made contact with me. It is always exciting meeting different people from around the world, which is one of the things I enjoy the most!" QSL via info on QRZ.com. PLEASE NOTE: Carson has a new mailing address: Carson McAfee, PO Box 1585, Allens Nek, 1737, Roodepoort, Johannesburg, S. Africa.

The following stations are expected to be active in the
CQ World Wide DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th, 2013)

Thanks to Bill, NG3K, for providing OPDX readers with the following consolidated listing of the participants in the 2013 CQWW DX SSB Contest. For a more detailed listing (and up-to-date changes/corrections) in HTML format, please visit Bill's Web page at:
http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/cqs2013.html (By call sign)
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http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/cqsz2013.html (By zone)

Contest DXCC CQZ Class QSL
Callsign Entity Route

3G1B Chile 12 M/? HA1AG
3G3W Chile 12 M/2 XQ4CW
3V7A Tunisia 33 M/S LoTW; QSL via LX1NO
3Z6O Poland 15 SOAB LP LoTW; QSL via SP6NVK or (e)
4K6FO Azerbaijan 21 SO LP LoTW; QSL via 4K6FO and (e)
4L8A Georgia 21 SOSB 15M LoTW; QSL via K1BV
7Z1CQ Saudi Arabia 21 SOAB LoTW
8P2K Barbados 08 SOSB 10M KU9C
8P5A Barbados 08 SOAB HP LoTW; QSL via NN1N
9A1P Croatia 15 M/S 9A2RD
9M2SM West Malaysia 28 M/2 9M2GET
9Y4D Trinidad & Tobago 09 SOSB 20M 9Y4D
A71BX Qatar 21 M/? EA7FTR
A73A Qatar 21 M/2 A71A
AH2R Guam 27 M/S LoTW; QSL via JH7QXJ (d)
AH0BT Mariana Islands 27 M/2 LoTW; QSL via 7L1FPU (B/d)
AH0K Mariana Islands 27 M/2 OH6GDX
BV55D Taiwan 24 M/S BV55D
BY9GA/9 China 23 M/? BA1DU
BY0AA China 23 M/2 BA4EG

C37NL Andorra 14 C37URA
C6ARW Bahamas 08 SO LP N0HJZ; QSL via (B/d)
C6AZZ Bahamas 08 SOSB 15M KQ8Z
CN2AA Morocco 33 M/S LoTW; QSL via UA2FM
CN2R Morocco 33 SOAB HP W7EJ
CN3A Morocco 33 M/2 IV3ZXQ
CR2X Azores 14 SOAB HP OH2BH
CR3A Madeira 33 M/? LoTW; QSL via EA5GL
CR6P Portugal 14 M/S
CS2P Portugal 14 M/S CS2P
CX9AU Uruguay 13 SOAB LP LoTW; QSL via EA5GL and (e)
D4C Cape Verde Island 35 M/M IZ4DPV; QSL via (B/d)
E2E Thailand 26 M/S HS0ZFZ
E20PFE Thailand 26 SOAB LP E20PFE
E21YDP Thailand 26 SOSB 15M E21YDP
E51AAR South Cook Islands 32 SO LoTW; QSL via K7AR (B/d/C)
EA6/G4MKP Balearic Islands 14 SOAB HP M0URX
EA6BF Balearic Islands 14 SOAB S53R
ED1WW Spain 14 M/S EA1FCR
ED5T Spain 14 M/S LoTW; QSL via EA5ELT (d)
ED8P Canary Islands 33 SOSB 15M NP3O
ED8W Canary Islands 33 SOSB 20M EA8DO
ED9Z Ceuta & Melilla 33 SOSB 15M LoTW; QSL via EA5KB
EE1W Spain 14 M/M EA1AZ
EE5T Spain 14 M/2 EA5URT
EF7K Spain 14 M/2 EA7URA
EF8S Canary Islands 33 SOSB 80M OH2BYS
EF8U Canary Islands 33 SOAB LoTW
ES9C Estonia 15 M/M LoTW
FY5FY French Guiana 09 SOSB 20M FY5FY
FY5KE French Guiana 09 SOSB 15M LoTW; QSL via FY5KE (d)
GJ2A Jersey 14 M/S LoTW
GM6NX Scotland 14 M/M LoTW
GM7A Scotland 14 M/S GM7AAJ
GM0B Scotland 14 M/M MM0BHX
HB0/HA7JTR Liechtenstein 14 HA7JTR; QSL via (B/d)
HI3/NP3J Dominican Republic 08 SOSB 10M LoTW; QSL via EA5GL or (e)
HK1NA Colombia 09 M/M K6IPM
HR2WW Honduras 08 M/S KD4POJ
HS4DDQ Thailand 26 SOAB LP HS4DDQ
HS4SSP Thailand 26 M/S HS4RAY
HS5AC Thailand 26 M/S HS5AC
IF9A Sicily 15 M/S IT9ATF
IG9P African Italy 33 SOSB 10M I2ADN
IG9R African Italy 33 TBD IK8HCG
II9K Sicily 15 M/S IT9HBT
IG9Y African Italy 33 M/2 ON4LG
IH9YMC African Italy 33 SOSB eQSL
IO1T Italy 15 M/S
IO5O Italy 15 M/S LoTW; QSL via IK5RLP

IR5A Italy 15 M/S IK5AFJ
J3A Grenada 08 M/2 LoTW; QSL via WA1S (B/d)
KH2RU/KP4 Puerto Rico 08 SOSB NP3O
KH7CW Hawaii 31 M/2 K2WR
KP4BD Puerto Rico 08 SOSB 40M NP3O
LA7H Norway 14 M/S LA7H (B)
LP1H Argentina 13 M/M LoTW; QSL via EA5KB
LR3M Argentina 13 M/2 LU3MAM
LU8YE Argentina 13 M/2 IK2DUW
LY7A Lithuania 15 M/M LoTW
NH2DX Guam 27 SOSB 15M NH2DX (d)
NH2T Guam 27 SOAB HP LoTW; QSL via W2YC
NH7A Hawaii 31 M/2 F5VHJ
NP2P U.S. Virgin Islands 08 SOAB LoTW
NP4G Puerto Rico 08 SOSB 20M NP3O
OH5Z Finland 15 M/S LoTW
OH0JFP Aland Island 15 SOSB 10M
OH0Z Aland Island 15 SOAB HP W0MM
OM4C Slovakia 15 M/S OM6CI; QSL via (B/d)
OZ5E Denmark 14 M/S LoTW; QSL via OZ5E (B)
P3N Cyprus 20 M/S RW3RN
P40P Aruba 09 TBD LoTW
P49Y Aruba 09 SOAB HP LoTW; QSL via AE6Y
PJ4X Bonaire 09 MO LoTW; QSL via W1MD direct
PJ6A Saba & St. Eustatius 08 MO N4NX
PJ7PL Sint Maarten 08 SO WA1ZAM
PR5C Brazil 11 M/S LoTW; QSL via PU5SVE (d/e)
PR7AA Brazil 11 M/S LoTW; QSL via PR7AA
PT2CM Brazil 11 M/? PP2JP
PT5J Brazil 11 M/S PP5VB
PR0F Fernando de Noronha 11 SOSB 40M PP5VB
PX2W Brazil 11 M/?
PX5E Brazil 11 SOAB PP5VB
RA2FDX Kaliningrad 15 SOAB LP RN3RQ
RU1A Russia (Europe) 16 M/2 RU1A (B)
SI9AM Sweden 14 M/S SM3CVM
SJ2W Sweden 14 M/S LoTW; QSL via SM2LIY direct
SP8R Poland 15 M/2 SP8YB
SW5CC Dodecanese 20 SOSB M0OXO
SW8YY Greece 20 M/? LoTW; QSL via DH7WW (B/d/C)
SX2I Greece 20 M/? SV2JAO
T48K Cuba 08 M/S DK1WI
T88AZ Palau 27 JN2AMD; QSL via (B/d)
TC90A Turkey 20 M/S TA1HZ
TG0AA Guatemala 08 M/?
TI8M Costa Rica 07 M/2 TI8M (B)
TK/SP7VC Corsica 15 SOAB HP LoTW
TM1A France 14 M/M F6KOP (B)
TO1A French Guiana 09 SOSB 10M LoTW
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UU7J Ukraine 16 SOAB HP LoTW
V3A Belize 07 SOAB LP M0OXO
V49J St. Kitts & Nevis 08 SOAB LoTW; QSL via W5JON (d)
VE2IM Canada 02 SOAB HP VE3DZ
VP5T Turks & Caicos 08 M/? LoTW; QSL via WA3RHW (B/d)
VP9I Bermuda 05 SOAB LP WW3S
VR2PX Hong Kong 24 M/S IV3TAN
XR6T Chile 12 M/2 CE3FED (B)
XV4MN Vietnam 26 SO LP N0ODK; QSL via (B/d)
XW0YJY Laos 26 SOAB LP LoTW; QSL via E21EIC and (C)
YE2C Indonesia 28 M/S LoTW
YN2AA Nicaragua 07 SOAB HP LoTW
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YT8A Serbia 15 S OSB 20M LoTW; QSL via YU1EA
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**** DX INFORMATION ****
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3A - Gil, F4FET will be active as 3A/F4FET from Monaco on 11-12 November. He will be QRV on 40-10 metres SSB. QSL via home call, direct or bureau.
5H - Jacques, HB9EYP will be active holiday style as 5H3JJ from Zanzibar Island (AF-032) on 2-9 November. He will be QRV on 20-6 metres SSB and digital modes with 10 watts. QSL via home call, bureau preferred.
5W - 9M6XRO, W6SZN, ZL1GO and ZL3CW will stopping over Samoa (OC-097) on their way back from KH8 (www.n8a.eu http://www.n8a.eu) and will be active as 5W8A from 27 November to 2 December. QSL via ZL3CW.
6W - Rob, DL7VOA will be active holiday style as 6V7D from near Toubab Dialaw, Senegal from 29 November to 7 December. He will operate mainly CW with some SSB on 40-10 metres, typically during his evening and night hours. He will run 100 watts into vertical dipoles for 10-20m and ground planes for 40 and 30m. QSL via DL7VOA, direct or bureau. Please note that 6V7D is a reissued callsign, as it was used back in 2011 by a Russian team. [TNX DL7VOA]
C6 - C6ARU (N4UM), C6AUM (K4RUM) and C6AKQ (N4BP) will be active from Freeport, Grand Bahama (NA-080) from 19 November to 10 December. C6AUM and C6AKQ will operate mainly CW on 160-10 metres, while C6ARU will be mainly on digital modes on 30, 17 and 12 metres. Contest activity will include two single band entries in the CQ WW DX CW (C6AUM on 40m and C6AKQ on 80m), and a Multi-Single entry as C6AKQ for the ARRL 160 Meter (6-8 December). QSL via home calls. [TNX NG3K]
D4 - John, G4IRN will be active holiday style as D44TWQ from Boa Vista (AF-086), Cape Verde on 5-12 November. He will operate CW only with a focus on 30, 17 and 12 metres. QSL via G4IRN, direct or bureau, and LoTW. Logsearch on Club Log. [TNX NG3K]
F - Gil, F4FET (www.f4fet.net http://www.f4fet.net) will be active as F4FET/p from IOTA group EU-058 on 9-10 November. He will operate SSB on 40-10 metres from Sainte Marguerite Island (on 9 November, from 6 to 14 UTC) and Saint Honorat Island (on 10 November, from 8 to 15 UTC). QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX rsgbiota.org http://rsgbiota.org]
FK - Freddy, F5IRO will be active as FK/F5IRO from Plum, New Caledonia

(OC-032) between 1 November and 1 March 2014. He plans to operate mainly CW with some PSK on 80-10 metres, running 100 watts into dipoles and long wire antennas. He will participate in the CQ WW DX CW Contest as TX5W along with FK8IK. QSL via F5IRO, direct or bureau. He will upload his log to Club Log and Lotw in March 2014. [TNX DX World]
FO - Heinz, DF1YP is active as FO/DF1YP from Moorea (OC-046), French Polynesia until 6 November. Look for him around 14252 kHz. QSL via home call, bureau preferred.
GD - Special event station GB1SOI will be operated by the Isle of Man Amateur Radio Society on 8-15 November to celebrate the construction and launching of the "Star of India" sailing ship 150 years ago. Particular activity times will be on 9-11 November from 16 to 23 UTC. QSL via the bureau.
HK0_sa - 5J0R is the special callsign issued to the 1-10 November DXpedition to San Andres Island (NA-033) [425DXN 1155]. Target frequencies are:
CW 1824, 3524, 7004, 10104, 14024, 18074, 21024, 24894, 28024
SSB 1845, 3780, 7065/7160, 14195, 18145, 21295, 24945, 28494
RTTY 7035, 10140, 14080, 18100, 21080, 24921, 28080
Announced frequencies for 6 metres are 50105 (CW) and 50115 (SSB). Team members include EA1SA, EA2RY, EA5RM, EA7AJR, EA7KW, F8ATS, F9IE, HK3CW, HK6F, IN3ZNR, RG8K and RU1WM. QSL via EA5RM. Logsearch and OQRS on www.dxfriends.com/ SanAndres2013/
J7 - Walter, HB9MFM is active as J79WTA from Dominica (NA-101) until 21 December. He expects to be QRV on 160-10 metres SSB, RTTY and PSK. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. Logsearch on Club Log. [TNX NG3K]
KH8 - 9M6XRO, JH3PRR, W6SZN, ZL1GO and ZL3CW will be active as W8A from Tutuila (OC-045), American Samoa on 12-22 November, and as N8A during the CQ WW DX CW Contest (M/2). They will be QRV on 160-10 metres, with a "significant effort on 160m" and a "focus on Europe for the high bands". CW will be their primary mode, with some SSB and RTTY possible. They "have decided to draw up a frequency plan which we will try to follow as closely as possible while avoiding mutual QRM with the other DXpeditions and their associated pile-ups":
CW 1811.5 3512 7016 10116 14035 18092 21035 24907 28035
SSB 1848 3803 7078/7167 14210 18165 21295 24975 28495
RTTY 3582 7043 10132 14092 18108 21092 24928 28092
North America frequency for 160m CW: 1821.5
North America frequency for 60m SSB: 3795
Japan frequency for 80m RTTY: 3525
QSL W8A and N8A via ZL3CW. The website for the DXpedition is at www.n8a.eu http://www.n8a.eu.
I - Look for Maurizio IT9BWD/p, Riccardo IT9CVO/p, Giuseppe IT9HBS/p, Giuseppe IW9CLF/p and possibly Alfio IT9EJW/p to be active from Vendicari Island (EU-166, IIA S-022) on 9 and 10 November. They plan to operate SSB and CW on 40-10 metres. QSL via home calls. [TNX IT9EJW]

JD1_oga- Takeshi, JA1UII will be active as JD1BON from Chichijima (AS-031), Ogasawara on 1-4 November. He will be QRV on 80-10 metres CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via JA1UII, direct or bureau. [TNX OPDX Bulletin]

PA - Celebrating 200th anniversary of the establishment of the Sovereign Principality (later Kingdom) of the Netherlands, Fred, PA0FAW will be active as PG200NL on 2-29 November. He will be operate mainly CW, with some SSB and digital modes. QSL via home call, direct or bureau, and eQSL.

T33 - The 5-18 November T33A DXpedition to Banaba [425DXN 1169, www.t33a.com http://www.t33a.com] will use an e-Pilot. It looks at the T33A blog and collects comments and requests for the team that would normally be emailed to one of several pilots: click on the "e-Pilot Request Page" tab on http://banaba2013.wordpress. com/ http://banaba2013.wordpress.com/

The advance party will arrive in Tarawa on 31 October to pick up local provisions, get the container through customs and load the supplies onto the boat in preparation for the 3 November departure to Banaba. Team members include AA4FL, AD6E, DJ5IW, DL5EBE, DL6KVA, K3VN, K4ZLE, KD6XH, N1EMC, N6HC, N6HD, N7CQQ, N9NS, PY2PT, W2IJ, W6KK, WA1F, WA1S and WA6FGV.

"We have coordinated our band plan with N8A/5W8A", the team says. "There are also other DXpeditions that will be on at the same time, so band plans may be dynamic...".

Target frequencies for T33A are as follows:

5-7 November	8-18 November
CW 1817.5	CW 1817.5
3524	3518
7024	7030
10114	10125
14024	14040
18070	18098
21024	21040
24895	24920
28024	28040
SSB 3795	SSB 3792
7090/7160	7090/7180
14195	14195
18145	18128
21295	21260
24950	24950
28460	28460
RTTY 3575, JA 3525	RTTY 3575, JA 3525
7040 + / - QRM	
10140	10136
14080	14099
18100	18115
21080	21100
24922 + / - QRM	
28080	28099

T33A will use the advanced version of DXA, the satellite-linked
system that allows DXers to view the status and activities of a
DXpedition in near-real-time (http://dxa2.org/t33a/ http://dxa2.org/t33a/). Logsearch and
OQRS for direct and bureau cards on Club Log; traditional QSL
requests go via W2IJ. The T33A logs will be posted to LoTW
approximately 6 months after the conclusion of the DXpedition.
VK9M - The VK9MT DXpedition to Mellish Reef [425DXN 1169] is now
scheduled for 28 March to 9 April 2014. The sailing vessel "Evohe"
has been chartered, and two operators (Heye, DJ9RR and Luigi,
IV3YER) have been added to the on-island team. Ralph, W4HK will be
the Chief Pilot station, and "will consolidate information from
the global pilot team (KH6CG, V51B, MM0NDX and ZL2AL) for
satellite transmission to the on-reef team". Bookmark
http://vk9mt.com/ http://vk9mt.com/ for further information, updates and donations.
"Our budget is over $120,000(USD), not including operators'
expenses to travel to and from the port of departure", the
organizers say. "We hope the DX community reaches deeply into its
collective pockets to help offset this cost". [TNX K5GS]
XV - Take, JA6CNH as XV2CNH (1-9 November) and Toshi, JA3NHL as XV2NHL
(2-8 November) will be QRV on 160-6 metres CW, SSB and RTTY from
Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam. QSL via home calls.
YB - Joppy, YB8XM will be on Pulau Dullah, near Kai Kecil Island
(OC-221), on 25-27 October "to provide training for new amatur
radio operators". Expect some activity as YB8XM/p while he is
there. [TNX JN6RZM]
YB - Adhi, YB3MM has plans to be active as YB3MM/2 from IOTA group
OC-186 (either Menjangan Besar Island or Karimunjawa Island) on
9-10 November. QSL information on qrz.com http://qrz.com. [TNX W2FB]
YB - Look for Joppy, YB8XM/p and other operators (YB8VM/p, YC0MVP/8,
YC8VDT/p, YC8VFB/p, YD8VRA/p, YD8VRS/p and YD8VSR/p) to be active
from Banda Besar Island (OC-157) on 10-15 November
(http://oc157.blogspot.com/ http://oc157.blogspot.com/). This IOTA group was activated
only
once back in 1995. Shu-san, JN6RZM (jn6rzm[@]nifty.com http://nifty.com) is
collecting Paypal donations to help providing a new generator.
[TNX JN6RZM]
YJ - Ralph, YJ0RK will be QRV from Awei Island (OC-035) for the CQ WW DX
SSB Contest. He says he "won't be activating OC-111 this year due
to a failing weather window and an early predicted cyclone season
which will force us to return to VK sooner than expected". QSL via
NR6M.
YJ - Look for YJ0AU (JA2AAU), YJ0CJ (JA2LSS), YJ0TE (JA2ATE) and YJ0ZS
(JA2ZS) to be active from the Iririki Island Resort, Port Vila
(OC-035), Vanuatu on 1-11 November. Plans are to operate CW, SSB
and digital modes on the HF bands and 6 metres. QSL YJ0ZS via
JA2ZS, all others via JA2ATE. [TNX DX World]
YV - A team of YL operators (YV4AW, YY2GAL, YY5AA, YY5ALO, YY5MCO,
YY5OLA and YY5YVR) will be active as YW5RYL from Los Roques
(SA-035) on 7-10 November. They plan to be QRV on 160-10 metres
SSB, CW and digital modes. QSL via YV5AJ, direct or bureau.

Logsearch and OQRS on Club Log. They have a website on
http://yw5ryl.hamradioyv.com/
Z8 - A multinational team (Dietmar DL3DXX, Wayne N7NG, Hans PB2T, Olli
OH0XX, Martti OH2BH, Pertti OH2PM, Veijo OH6KN and Tevfik TA1HZ)
will be in Juba, South Sudan on 14-28 November. They will be QRV
as Z81X with an emphasis on 160 and 80 metres. The plan is to
activate three stations with amplifiers, low-band verticals and
beverage antennas. The operation will be generator based, and two
different radio locations may be used. The period includes the CQ
WW DX CW Contest, with some single-band entries and low-band SSB
focus during the contest weekend. The highest cost item is
equipment transport, with courier service the only reliable means
of transportation. The group welcomes support from individuals,
clubs and foundations to offset some of the high equipment
transport expenses. Further information and updates will be posted
to www.qrz.com/db/Z81X http://www.qrz.com/db/Z81X. QSL via OH0XX.
Hosted by the Ministry of Posts and Telecommunications, the group
led by Hans, PB2T, President of IARU R1, will conduct a series
of workshops and establish a sound amateur radio spectrum manage-
ment regime and related regulations. It will also introduce Amateur
Radio to the Ministry of Education. Also participating in these
efforts are two local amateurs; Massimo, Z81B (IZ0EGB) and Diya,
Z81D (YI1DZ). This part of the program is supported by Yasme
Foundation Inc. [TNX OH2BN]
ZS8 - Carson, ZS8C on Marion Island has updated his qrz.com http://qrz.com page with
information about his operating habits. "Recently I have started
becoming more active on the air", he says, "and I am hoping to
make a lot more contacts in the coming weeks and months. My
preferred method of making contacts is to arrange a 'private' sked
between a couple of HAMs".

ANTARCTICA
- Slava RD3MX, Alex UA1PAW and Oleg ZS1ANF will be at Novo Runway,
Antarctica from November 2013 through March 2014. They plan to be QRV as
RI1ANR in their spare time, with a focus on the low bands. QSL via RK1PWA.
[TNX I1HYW]
- Mike, RW1AI will be active as RI1ANT from Mirny Station, Antarctica from
December 2013 through February 2015. QSL via RW1AI, direct or bureau.
Logsearch at www.qsl.net/ua1ake/logs/ http://www.qsl.net/ua1ake/logs/.
- Alex, RD1AV will again be active again as RI1ANC from Vostok Station,
Antarctica from 1 December 2013 to 1 February 2015. He will be QRV on all
bands CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL via RN1ON, direct or bureau. [TNX
RN1ON]

MAYOTTE & REUNION ---> Armin, DK9PY will be active holiday style as
FH/DK9PY from Mayotte (AF-027) on 4-11 November and as FR/DK9PY from
Reunion Island (AF-016) on 11-22 November. He will operate CW only on 40-10
metres; if conditions allow, Armin will also give 80 and 160 metres a try.
QSL via home call, direct or bureau.

CQ WW DX SSB CONTEST ---> The following stations have announced their participation in this year's event (26-27 October):

ZONE	CALL	CATEGORY	COUNTRY	QSL VIA
02	VE2IM	SOAB HP	Canada	VE3DZ
04	VC3R	SO	Canada	VE7VR
05	VP9I	SOSB LP	Bermuda	WW3S
07	HR2WW	M/S	Honduras	KD4POJ
07	TG0AA		Guatemala	qrz.com http://qrz.com
07	TI5W	M/2	Costa Rica	N3YIM
07	TI8M	M/2	Costa Rica	TI2KAC
07	V31RL	SO	Belize	AD7AF
07	V3A	SOAB LP	Belize	M0OXO
07	YN2AA	SOAB HP	Nicaragua	LoTW
07	YN5Z	SOAB	Nicaragua	LoTW/K7ZO
08	8P2K	SOSB 10m	Barbados	KU9C
08	8P5A	SOAB HP	Barbados	LoTW/NN1N
08	C6ARW	SOAB LP	Bahamas	N0HJZ
08	C6ASP	SOAB	Bahamas	W6KW
08	C6AZZ	SOSB LP	Bahamas	KQ8Z
08	FS/N1SNB	MO	St Martin	AA4VK
08	HI3/NP3J	SOAB 10m LP	Dominican Republic	LoTW/EA5GL
08	J3A	M/2	Grenada	LoTW/WA1S
08	KH2RU/KP4	SOSB LP	Puerto Rico	NP3O
08	KP4BD	SOSB 40m	Puerto Rico	NP3O
08	NP2P	SOAB	Virgin Isls	LoTW
08	NP4G	SOSB 20M	Puerto Rico	NP3O
08	PJ6A	M/S	Saba	N4NX
08	PJ7PL	SO	Sint Maarten	WA1ZAM
08	T48K	M/?	Cuba	DK1WI
08	TO5A	SOAB HP	Martinique	LoTW/F5VHJ
08	V49J	SOAB	St. Kitts	LoTW/W5JON
08	VP5T	MO	Caicos Isls	LoTW/WA3RHW
09	9Y4D	SOSB 20m LP	Trinidad & Tobago	LoTW
09	FY5FY	SOSB 20m	French Guiana	LoTW
09	FY5KE	SOSB 15m	French Guiana	LoTW
09	HK1MK	SO	Colombia	DL6IAK
09	HK1NA	M/M	Colombia	K6IPM
09	P40F		Aruba	UA3DX
09	P40P	SO	Aruba	LoTW/W5AJ
09	P49Y	SOAB HP	Aruba	LoTW/AE6Y
09	PJ2T	M/M	Curacao	W3HNK
09	PJ4X	M/?	Bonaire	LoTW/W1MD
09	TO1A	SOSB 10m	French Guiana	LoTW
11	PR0F	SOSB 40m HP	Fernando de Noronha	PP5VB
11	PR5C	M/S	Brazil	LoTW/PU5SVE
11	PR7AA	M/S	Brazil	LotW/PR7AA
11	PT2CM	M/?	Brazil	PP2JP
11	PT5J	M/S	Brazil	PP5VB
11	PX2W	M/?	Brazil	PY2YU
11	PX5E	SOAB	Brazil	PP5VB

11 ZP8T SO LP Paraguay qrz.com http://qrz.com
11 ZP9MCE SOAB LP Paraguay EA5ZD
11 ZW5B M/S Brazil K3IRV
12 3G1B M/? Chile HA1AG
12 3G3W M/2 Chile XQ4CW
12 XQ7UP SO Chile XQ7UP
12 XR6T M/2 Chile qrz.com http://qrz.com
13 CX9AU SOAB LP Uruguay LotW/EA5GL
13 LP1H M/M Argentina LoTW/EA5KB
13 LR3M M/2 Argentina LU3MAM
13 LU8YE M/2 Argentina IK2DUW
14 C37NL Andorra C37URA
14 CR2R SO Azores CS8ABA
14 CR2X SOAB HP Azores OH2BH
14 CR6P M/S Portugal CR6P
14 CS2P M/S Portugal CT1ARR
14 EA6/G4MKP SOAB Balearic Isls M0URX
14 EA6BF SOAB Balearic Isls S53R
14 ED1WW M/S Spain EA1FCR
14 ED5T M/S Spain LoTW/EA5ELT
14 EE1W M/M Spain EA1AZ
14 EE5T M/2 Spain EA5URT
14 EF7K M/2 Spain EA7URA
14 EI1A SOAB LP Ireland PA3249
14 GJ2A M/S Jersey Isl LotW
14 GM0B M/M Scotland MM0BHX
14 GM6NX M/M Scotland LotW/GM4UYE
14 GM7A M/S Scotland GM7AAJ
14 HB0/HA7JTR SO Liechtenstein HA7JTR
14 LA7H M/S Norway LA7H
14 OZ5E M/S Denmark LoTW/OZ5E
14 SI9AM M/S Sweden SM3CVM
14 SJ2W M/S Sweden LoTW/SM2LIY
14 TM1A M/M France F6KOP
14 TM7X SO France F5BSB
15 3Z6O SOAB LP Poland LotW/SP6NVK
15 9A1P M/S Croatia 9A2RD
15 9A8DV SOAB HP Croatia IK6VXO
15 ES9C M/M Estonia LotW
15 IF9A M/S Sicily IT9ATF
15 II9K M/S Sicily IT9HBT
15 IO4C SOSB 160M Italy IZ4DPV
15 IO5O M/S Italy LoTW/IK5RLP
15 IR5A M/S Italy IK5AFJ
15 LY7A M/M Lithuania LotW
15 OH0JFP SOSB 10m Aland Isls OH0JFP
15 OH0Z SOAB HP Aland Isls W0MM
15 OH5Z M/S Finland LotW
15 OM4C M/S Slovakia OM6CI
15 RA2FDX SOAB LP Kaliningrad RN3RQ

15 SP8R M/2 Poland SP8YB
15 TK/SP7VC SOAB HP Corsica LoTW
15 YT8A SOSB 20M Serbia LotW/YU1EA
15 Z68BH Kosovo OH2BH
16 RU1A M/S EU Russia RU1A
16 UU7J SOAB HP Ukraine LotW
20 P3N M/S Cyprus RW3RN
20 SW5CC SOSB HP Dodecanese M0OXO
20 SW8YY Greece LoTW/DH7WW
20 SX2I M/? Greece SV2JAO
20 TC90A M/S Turkey TA1HZ
20 TC90TC SO Turkey TA1HZ
21 4K6FO SO Azerbaijan LoTW
21 4L8A SOSB 15m Georgia LoTW/K1BV
21 7Z1CQ SOAB Saudi Arabia LoTW
21 A71BX M/? Qatar EA7FTR
21 A73A M/2 Qatar A71A
23 B9/BY9GA M/M China BA1DU
23 BY0AA M/2 China BA4EG
24 BV55D M/S Taiwan qrz.com http://qrz.com
24 VR2PX M/S Hong Kong IV3TAN
26 E20PFE SOAB LP Thailand E20PFE
26 E21YDP SOSB 15m LP Thailand E21YDP
26 E2E M/S HP Thailand HS0ZFZ
26 HS4AK M/S Thailand E20YLM
26 HS4DDQ SOAB LP Thailand HS4DDQ
26 HS4SSP M/S Thailand HS4RAY
26 HS5AC M/S Thailand HS5AC
26 XV4MN SO LP Vietnam N0ODK
26 XW0YJY SOAB LP Laos LoTW/E21EIC
27 AH0BT M/2 Mariana Isls LoTW/7L1FPU
27 AH0K M/2 Mariana Isls OH6GDX
27 AH2R M/S Guam LoTW/JH7QXJ
27 NH2DX SOSB 15m HP Guam qrz.com http://qrz.com
27 NH2T SOAB HP Guam LoTW/W2YC
27 T88AZ SO Palau JN2AMD
28 9M2SM M/2 West Malaysia 9M2GET
28 YB0NDT SOSB 40M Indonesia LotW
28 YE2C M/S Indonesia LoTW
28 YE2R M/? Indonesia EA7FTR
31 KH7CW M/2 Hawaii K2WR
31 NH7A M/2 Hawaii F5VHJ
32 3D2QQ Fiji N7CQQ
32 E51AAR South Cook Isls LoTW/K7AR
32 YJ0RK SO Vanuatu NR6M
32 ZL3X M/2 New Zealand ZL3PAH
33 3V7A M/S Tunisia LoTW/LX1NO
33 CN2AA M/S Morocco LoTW/UA2FM
33 CN2R SOAB HP Morocco W7EJ
33 CN3A M/2 Morocco IV3ZXQ

33 CR3A M/? Madeira LoTW/EA5GL
33 ED8P SOSB 15m LP Canary Isls NP3O
33 ED8W SOSB 20m HP Canary Isls EA8DO
33 ED9Z SOSB 15m Ceuta & Melilla LoTW/EA5KB
33 EF8S SOSB Canary Isls OH2BYS
33 EF8U SOAB Canary Isls LoTW
33 IG9P SOSB 10M African Italy I2ADN
33 IG9R African Italy IK8HCG
33 IG9Y M/2 African Italy ON4LG
33 IH9B SOSB 80m HP African Italy IV3NVN
33 IH9YMC SOSB African Italy eQSL
35 D4C M/M Cape Verde IZ4DPV
36 ZD8O SOAB Ascension Isl OH0XX
Do not forget to give a look at the Announced Operations listing maintained by Bill, NG3K at www.ng3k.com/Misc/cqs2013.html http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/cqs2013.html - good contest to you all!

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** GOOD TO KNOW ... ****
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Edited by I1JQJ & IK1ADH
Direttore Responsabile I2VGW

AMSTERDAM 2014 ---> In their latest press release, dated 21 October, the FT5ZM team reported that "a sea container filled with our equipment is now on its way to New Zealand to loaded aboard our ship, the MV Braveheart", while other needed items are being procured by "the Braveheart crew and our VK6 friends". These "materials will all come together in January when the Braveheart and the FT5ZM team arrive in Fremantle, Australia".
"We are in the phase of the DXpedition where large expenses are coming at us rapidly. We are staying within our budgeted expenses, but contributions have been somewhat less than we had hoped. It now appears almost certain that the team members will have to increase their personal contribution from $10,000 per person to $12,500 per person as well as pay their own way to and from Fremantle. If you've contributed to the DXpedition, we thank you. If you've yet to help us, or if you can send some additional help our way, we can certainly use any financial support that you can give us".
Donations are gratefully accepted at www.amsterdamdx.org http://www.amsterdamdx.org [TNX K0IR]

DXCC NEWS ---> T6JR (Afghanistan, 2013 operation) has been approved for DXCC credit. [TNX NC1L]

K9W ---> The K9W DXpedition to Wake Island has been on hold since 1 October [425DXN 1170]. On 22 October the Management team announced that they continue "to work with the USAF to set rescheduled dates for this Commemorative DXpedition. Once we have the new dates, we will post them on www.wake2013.org http://www.wake2013.org and through the normal Amateur Radio communication media.
Thank you for your patience and understanding".

QSL T6TM ---> Buzz, NI5DX is the new QSL manager for Tim, T6TM or past, current and future QSOs. "Tim has been in Afghanistan since 2011", The Daily DX reports, and "his plans call for him to remain in T6 land until December of 2014".

QSL VIA M0URX ---> With immediate effect, M0URX is the new QSL manager for 5B4AHJ and P3J. Other calls (5B50J, 5B/G3PMR, G3PMR and others) remain via 5B4AHJ. [TNX 5B4AHJ]

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QSLs received direct or through managers: 4J20RO, 4J3DJ, 4U1ITU, 5R8AL, 5W0TH, 8R1Z, 9X0ZM, A41OO, A92GR, BA4WL/5 (AS-137), CT4NH/p (EU-167), CU3AK, CU5AQ, D2QR, D44TS, DL2RU/p (EU-128), DL5KUD (EU-057), E73W, EJ0PL (EU-006), EP3SMH, EX2M, FG8AR, FK8CE, FK8GX, GW3KHZ/p (EU-106), GZ5Y (EU-012), H44AJ (OC-285), HB0/DL2SBY, HC8/G8OFQ, HI3B, HQ8D (NA-223), HS0ZCW, HV0A, J28NC, J69DS, JW/DL2JIM, JY9FC, KP2/NP3D, KP4/K1GI, MJ/OT9Z, MJ0CFW, MS0WRC, MU0GSY, OA4TT, OH/SF3A (EU-101), OH0/PA2A, OW75FOC, P29NO, PA13KING, PJ2/IW1FC, PQ5M (SA-027), R20RRC/0 (AS-062), R20RRC/8 (AS-109), ST2M, SV5/EM5F, SV8/OK1MBZ/p (EU-052), T2YY, T8GM, TF4M, TT8/US3EZ, UK8FF, V31ME (NA-123), V63LU, V63SC, V6G, VK5CE/p (OC-261), VK9LL, VP2V/W9DR, XW0YJY, XZ1Z, YB3MM/6 (OC-245), YB3MM/7 (OC-166), YB3MM/p (OC-217 & OC-237), YB8Y (OC-221), Z30U, Z320E, Z320G, ZG2FK.

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21755. ARLP043 Propagation de K7RA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-10-25 19:20:44 UTC
From: jjreisert@...
Topic: 6678 Message: 21755

SB PROP @ ARL $ARLP043
ARLP043 Propagation de K7RA

ZCZC AP43
QST de W1AW
Propagation Forecast Bulletin 43 ARLP043
>From Tad Cook, K7RA
Seattle, WA October 25, 2013
To all radio amateurs

SB PROP ARL ARLP043
ARLP043 Propagation de K7RA

Solar activity is increasing, suggesting that perhaps now in Fall 2013 we are in the midst of a second peak in Cycle 24. We hope it sustains.

Sunspot numbers this week ran up all the way to 228, a level not seen in the past decade since October 27 through November 1, 2003 when the daily sunspot numbers were 238, 230, 330, 293, 266 and 277. Prior to that, on January 11, 2003 the daily sunspot number was 238.

Average daily sunspot numbers increased over 35 points to 162 (when compared to the previous seven day period, October 10-16).

Average daily solar flux increased over 13 points to 139.6.

Geomagnetic indices indicate a quiet geomagnetic field.

Predicted solar flux this week is 165 on October 25-27, then 160, 155, 145, 135, 130, and 115 on October 28 through November 2, 120 on November 3-5, 125 on November 6-10, 130 on November 11, 135 on November 12-13, then 130, 120, 115 and 120 on November 14-17, and 115 on November 18-20. Based on recurrence due to solar rotation, in 45 days flux values are predicted at 130.

Predicted planetary A index is 16, 12, 8 and 20 on October 25-28, 8 on October 29-30, 5 on October 31 through November 9, then 12, 15, 10 and 8 on November 10-13, 5 on November 14-16, then 10 and 8 on November 17-18. After November 18 everything looks very quiet (A index of 5) until 44-45 days out, when the prediction shows A index values of 12 and 15 on December 7-8.

Those predictions come from the United States Air Force Space Weather Squadron, and are made available to the public via NOAA.

See http://www.afweather.af.mil/units/spaceweatheroperations.asp.

This set of PDF slides gives a hint at some of the tools they use:

http://ccmc.gsfc.nasa.gov/RoR_WWW/workshops/2012/Thursday_pdf/smithro_ccmc2012.pdf.

As usual, OK1HH gives us his own predictions for geomagnetic activity. He sees quiet to active geomagnetic conditions on October 25, quiet to unsettled October 26, mostly quiet October 27, quiet to active October 28-29, mostly quiet October 30, quiet October 31 through November 3, mostly quiet November 4, quiet to active November 5, quiet to unsettled November 6, mostly quiet November 7, quiet to active November 8-12, quiet to unsettled November 13, quiet on November 14-19, and mostly quiet November 20. He does not expect any days with active to disturbed conditions.

Pete Markavage, WA2CWA of Sayreville, New Jersey reports great conditions on 10 meters this week, but using AM and FM instead of CW or SSB. Pete wrote, "Ten meters has been hot all week. During the late morning hours of October 22 I worked about 25 stations, all on AM, in a number of Eastern and Western European countries. AM power was about 90 watts into a 4 element tri-bander. In the late afternoon I worked a Japanese station on 10 FM direct with a 40 watt rig. On October 24 around 6:45 PM EDT, finally worked my first Japanese station on 10 AM. 6 meters has been dismal for openings here in the East, but 10 meter activity is making up for it."

A week ago we got this from Jeff Hartley, N8II in West Virginia, but not in time for last week's bulletin: "10 meter and 12 meter propagation has been up and down with the degree of disturbed conditions, but almost every day the Middle East and Southern EU are booming in on 10 meters here.

"I listened Wednesday October 16 until 1430Z and 10 never opened well to Europe, but that evening about 75 minutes past sunset I was able to work a weak JA on 10 meter CW, heard one more and worked another on 12 meter CW around 2400Z when the band seemed to be closing rapidly. Jimmy BX5AA (Taiwan) was S7 on 15 phone about 0010Z and easily logged, so it seemed the K index lowered as the day progressed. A day or two before 10 was wide open to Scandinavia around 1300-1400Z as well as several southern UA3 area stations worked on CW. Paths to Africa have been open very late into the day with TN2NS (Congo) loud at 2130Z on 10 phone and even later on 12 CW."

Chip Margelli, K7JA wrote (also last week): "From what I was able to hear in a brief tune around 10 meters this morning (October 18), it is widely open to Europe, the Middle East, and Africa. Nice signals were observed from OD5ZZ and OD5NJ, several 4X/4Z stations, SU8JOTA (Boy Scout Jamboree On The Air in Egypt!), and generally signals from all of Europe were excellent. F6KHM (0.5 W) and MM3FYA (5 Watts to an attic dipole) were nice copy this morning (October 18) around 1600 UTC.

"Last night, 18 October at 0158 UTC, I worked FK8CP on 50.110.6 MHz. Remi peaked about 579 and was in for at least a half hour. QSB was very heavy, almost like meteor scatter at times, but he also became steady, solid copy at times, too.

"It's nice to have some prop!

"I run 200 Watts to a 7-element LFA Yagi on 6 meters, and the same 200 Watts to a 7-element OP-DES Yagi on 10 meters."

Ganesh, VU2TS sends us this message from Karnataka: "Hello and Greetings from South India! I am the editor of Amateur Radio News of the Amateur Radio Societies of India - ARSI (http://www.arsi.info) and I wish to take this opportunity to thank you for your propagation bulletin which we are receiving regularly.

"With the sunspot activity quite low, the band conditions these days are poor - even though we are supposed to be experiencing the Solar Max, Hi!

"However, I wish to share with you my pet theory about amateurs ionizing the ionosphere. This weekend is the CQ WW DX SSB contest, and with something like 30 to 40,000 stations on the air at the same time, and some 30% of them using a kW or more, all the bands open up for long haul DX! (Remember HAARP?)

"Just listen to the bands this weekend - and you will be surprised at the unusual band openings! Feedback welcome. 73, Ganesh VU2TS."

That's right Ganesh, in order to feed the ionosphere we have to call, not just listen. It is part of the magic of radio.

Further evidence of the magic of radio is the fact that I am writing Friday's bulletin while using an airline Wi-Fi connection during a flight from Seattle to Washington D.C. Like all other basic in-flight amenities, such as snacks, it is quite expensive. Of course, back when snacks were free, I couldn't get an internet connection in the air.

If you would like to make a comment or have a tip for our readers, email the author at, k7ra@....

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service web page at, http://arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals. For an explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin, see http://arrl.org/the-sun-the-earth-the-ionosphere. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at http://arrl.org/w1aw-bulletins-archive-propagation. More good information and tutorials on propagation are at http://k9la.us/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://arrl.org/propagation.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of ARRL bulletins are at http://arrl.org/bulletins.

Sunspot numbers for October 17 through 23 were 166, 154, 149, 117, 179, 228, and 141, with a mean of 162. 10.7 cm flux was 136.1, 139.9, 132.7, 133.4, 135.8, 146.3, and 152.7, with a mean of 139.6. Estimated planetary A indices were 9, 3, 3, 3, 2, 5, and 4, with a mean of 4.1. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 10, 3, 3, 3, 2, 3, and 3, with a mean of 3.9.
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21756. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-10-26 14:30:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21756

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:Issued: 2013 Oct 26 1346 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 31026
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 26 Oct 2013, 1310UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 26 Oct 2013 until 28 Oct 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Major flares expected (X-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Minor storm expected (A>=30 or K=5)
SOLAR PROTONS : Warning condition (activity levels expected to increase, but no numeric
forecast given)
PREDICTIONS FOR 26 Oct 2013 10CM FLUX: 161 / AP: 011
PREDICTIONS FOR 27 Oct 2013 10CM FLUX: 161 / AP: 014
PREDICTIONS FOR 28 Oct 2013 10CM FLUX: 161 / AP: 028
COMMENT: There were one X flare, six M flares, and thirteen C flares on the Sun in
the past 24 hours. The X2.1 flare peaked at 15:03 UT on October 25 and was
associated with a radio Type II burst with an estimated shock speed of 2078
km/s at Sagamore Hill. All M and X flares and five C flares were produced
by beta-gamma-delta region NOAA AR 11882. Five C flares were released by
beta-gamma-delta region AR 11875, and one C flare each by AR 11869, AR
11874 and beta-gamma region AR 11877. Type II bursts were also registered
in association with the C2.3 flare released by AR 11875 peaking at 13:37 UT
on October 25 (estimated shock speed 1083 km/s by Sagamore Hill) and the
M1.5 flare released by AR 11882 peaking at 9:37 UT on October 26 (estimated
shock speed 1275 km/s by San Vito). In the next 48 hours, X flares are
possible, especially from NOAA AR 11882. There is a substantial risk of
halo CMEs and the warning condition for proton storms remains valid.
Several CMEs were ejected on October 25 and 26, among which two frontsided
halo CMEs. The first halo CME was first observed by LASCO C2 at 8:24 UT on
October 25 and was associated to the X1.7 flare. The second halo CME was
first observed by LASCO C2 at 15:12 UT on October 25 and was associated
with the X2.1 flare. Both CMEs are expected to arrive on October 28.
Geomagnetic activity was at quiet levels (K Dourbes between 0 and 3; NOAA
Kp between 0 and 2) during the past 24 hours. Active conditions (K Dourbes
= 4) are expected for the second half of October 26, due to the expected
arrival of the October 22 (M4.2) CME. Quiet conditions are expected on
October 27, and minor storm conditions are expected on October 27 due to
the expected merged arrival of several CMEs (among which the two halo CMEs
of October 25).
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 085, BASED ON 10 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 25 Oct 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 142
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10CM SOLAR FLUX : 161
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 007
AK WINGST : 002
ESTIMATED AP : 002
ESTIMATED ISN : 096, BASED ON 17 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
25 1451 1503 1512 ////// X2.1 370 23/1882 I/2 2V/2
25 1702 1709 1716 ////// M1.3 23/1882 III/2
25 1905 1921 1924 S06E66 M2.3 SF 23/1882
25 2054 2058 2113 S07E64 M1.9 1N 23/1882 III/2
26 0559 0606 0620 S09E61 M2.3 1B 23/1882 III/2
26 0917 0937 0948 ////// M1.5 23/1882 II/2
END

21757. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-10-27 14:30:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21757

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:Issued: 2013 Oct 27 1205 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 31027
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 27 Oct 2013, 1210UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 27 Oct 2013 until 29 Oct 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Active (M-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Minor storm expected (A>=30 or K=5)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 27 Oct 2013 10CM FLUX: 158 / AP: 006
PREDICTIONS FOR 28 Oct 2013 10CM FLUX: 160 / AP: 023
PREDICTIONS FOR 29 Oct 2013 10CM FLUX: 159 / AP: 023
COMMENT: There were two M flares and eleven C flares on the Sun in the past 24
hours. New region NOAA AR 11884 in the East produced an M3.1 flare peaking
at 19:27 UT on October 26 while beta-gamma-delta region AR 11882 released
an M1.0 flare peaking at 19:53 UT on October 26. The other flares were
produced by AR 11882, 11875, 11877 and 11873. In the next 48 hours, M
flares are expected, with a chance for X flares. LASCO C2 and STEREO COR2 A
and B observed several CMEs on October 26 and 27, among which a partial
halo CME first registered by LASCO C2 at 11:24 UT on October 26 (associated
with the M1.8 flare of 11:17 UT). This CME could deliver a glancing blow in
the second half of October 29. ACE observed a jump in the solar wind at
21:44 UT on October 26. Solar wind speed jumped from about 280 to 310 km/s,
while the Interplanetary Magnetic Field jumped from 4.5 to 6.5 nT. A smooth
decrease in the phi angle clearly shows rotation of the Interplanetary
Magnetic Field consistent with the flux rope of an ICME. This jump was
probably the result of the arrival of the October 22 (M4.2) CME. Phi jumped
from 110 to 270 degrees around 9h UT on October 27, probably indicating the
end of the (weak) ICME influence and return to nominal conditions, with
solar wind speed around 270 km/s and Interplanetary Magnetic Field around 2
nT. Geomagnetic activity was at quiet levels (K Dourbes between 0 and 2;
NOAA Kp between 0 and 1) during the past 24 hours. Quiet geomagnetic
conditions (K Dourbes < 4) are expected for the second half of October 27
and the first half of October 28. Active conditions with minor storm
intervals are possible on the second half of October 28 and the first half
of October 29, due to the expected joint arrival of several CMEs, mainly
from October 25. Active geomagnetic levels are possible in the second half
of October 29, due to a possible glancing blow by the partial halo CME of
October 26.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 099, BASED ON 13 STATIONS.
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SOLAR INDICES FOR 26 Oct 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 165
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 005
AK WINGST : 002
ESTIMATED AP : 001
ESTIMATED ISN : 090, BASED ON 20 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
26 1048 1117 1134 S05E58 M1.8 1N 380 23/1882
26 1924 1927 1930 S09E81 M3.1 SF ///1884
26 1949 1953 1958 S07E53 M1.0 SF 23/1882
END

21758. prop

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-10-27 23:44:33 UTC
From: dale cole
Topic: 21758 Message: 21758

ol sol at work........

http://screen.yahoo.com/canyon-fire-sun-210954645.html

K8TS, Dale

21759. LoTW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-10-28 00:24:24 UTC
From: <ve7tk@...>
Topic: 799 Message: 21759

CQ WW_SSB contest ended and it looks like LoTW may be down. Oh joy.

(It was down at 2330 .)

73, Rick

21760. RE: LoTW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-10-28 01:05:39 UTC
From: <ve7tk@...>
Topic: 799 Message: 21760

It's BACK!!!!!

Rick - VE7TK

---In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, <dx-is@yahoogroups.com> wrote:

CQ WW_SSB contest ended and it looks like LoTW may be down. Oh joy.

(It was down at 2330 .)

73, Rick

21761. Re: [DX-IS] LoTW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-10-28 01:05:59 UTC
From: GARY HUBER
Topic: 799 Message: 21761

Just retry..... I tried an upload at 00:07 UTC which failed. I waited ten minutes and my upload of 300 plus took. YMMMV.
73 ES DX,
Gary -- AB9M

From: ve7tk@...
Sent: Sunday, October 27, 2013 7:24 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] LoTW

CQ WW_SSB contest ended and it looks like LoTW may be down. Oh joy.

(It was down at 2330 .)

73, Rick

21762. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-10-28 14:30:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21762

:Issued: 2013 Oct 28 1323 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#---#
DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC
(RWC Belgium)
#---#
SIDC URSIGRAM 31028
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 28 Oct 2013, 1310UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 28 Oct 2013 until 30 Oct 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Major flares expected (X-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Minor storm expected (A>=30 or K=5)
SOLAR PROTONS : Warning condition (activity levels expected to increase, but no numeric forecast given)
PREDICTIONS FOR 28 Oct 2013 10CM FLUX: 173 / AP: 025
PREDICTIONS FOR 29 Oct 2013 10CM FLUX: 175 / AP: 026
PREDICTIONS FOR 30 Oct 2013 10CM FLUX: 175 / AP: 011
COMMENT: During the past 24 hours, the sun produced an X flare, two M flares and four C flares. Most flares originated from sunspot region Catania 16 (NOAA active region 11875), except for two C flares originating from Catania 18 (NOAA AR 1877) and NOAA AR 1873. The X1.0 flare peaked at 1:41 UT on October 28 and was associated with a Type II burst (estimated shock speed of 700 km/s by Culgoora). In the next 48 hours, M and X flares are likely to occur. LASCO C2 and STEREO COR2 A observed several CMEs on October 27 and 28, among which a halo CME first registered by LASCO C2 at 2:12 UT on October 28 (associated with the X1.0 flare, CME speed estimated at 590 km/s). Another CME first detected in LASCO C2 at 4:48 UT on October 28 was related to an M5 flare. Both CMEs are mainly westward oriented and could deliver a glancing blow in the second half of October 30. Solar wind speed measured by ACE is currently around 300 km/s, while the interplanetary magnetic field (IMF) reached a maximum of 7 nT during the past 24 hours. Current geomagnetic activity is at quiet levels (local K at Dourbes between 0 and 3; NOAA Kp between 0 and 1). Active to minor storm conditions are possible within the next 24 hours, due to the expected arrival of the CMEs of October 25. Active geomagnetic levels are possible in the second half of October 29 and October 30, due to a possible glancing blow by the partial halo CME of October 26 and a possible glancing blow related the two partial halo CMEs of October 28.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 108, BASED ON 11 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 27 Oct 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 167
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 005
AK WINGST : 002
ESTIMATED AP : 002

ESTIMATED ISN : 102, BASED ON 23 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
27 1236 1248 1252 N06W63 M3.5 1F 16/1875 III/1
28 0141 0203 0212 S11E36 X1.0 1F 120 16/1875 III/2II/2
28 0432 0441 0446 N08W71 M5.1 2B 170 16/1875 II/2IV/1
END

21763. Ohio/Penn DX Special Bulletin #1134.1

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-10-29 13:45:45 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 21763 Message: 21763

SB DX @ WW < KB8NW $OPDX.1134.1
Ohio/Penn DX Special Bulletin No. 1134.1

The Ohio/Penn DX PacketCluster
DX Special Bulletin No. 1134.1
BID: $OPDX.1134.1
October 29, 2013
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

Thanks to the Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society, Northern Ohio DX Association, Ohio/Penn PacketCluster Network, AB5K & the AR TelNet Clusters Network CX3AN and W8GEX for the following DX information.

KH9, WAKE ISLAND (Update/Scheduled - Press Release #6): "The Wake Atoll Commemorative DXpedition team has been approved for entry onto Wake Atoll. Our equipment is already on Wake and in safe storage awaiting our arrival. The 12-Operator team includes: Joe -AA4NN, John-K6MM, Craig-K9CT, Mike-K9NW, Ralph-K9ZO, Lou-N2TU, Jim-N9TK, Mark-NA6M, Dick-W3OA, Joe-W8GEX, Hal-W8HC, and Jerry-WB9Z.
The plan is for the team to assemble in Hawaii on 30-October, depart 01-November, arrive on 02-November and immediately erect antennas and set-up the stations. There will be two CW and two SSB stations on the air. The CW site will be located across from the Arrivals terminal and the SSB site will be housed in a "beach house" near downtown Wake.
We are planning on being QRV 03-November through 15-November (Wake time). If there are any changes, they will be posted on our website.
http://wake2013.org/pages/bandplan.html
Logs will be uploaded to ClubLog as time and internet access allows.
This is a commemorative DXpedition. Our prime objective is to honor the lives and contributions of the Forgotten 98 civilian contractors who lost their lives on Wake during WWII. Some of these men have yet to be identified. If you know any of the Forgotten 98 or their relatives, modern DNA testing may identify their remains and provide for a proper burial. Please take a moment to look through their names.
http://wake2013.org/pages/forgotten98.html
Wake Atoll is an active military base and access is extremely limited. The Team is most grateful to the United States Air Force for allowing this Commemoration to take place.
Also, Team wants to thank the DX community, including generous worldwide Foundations, Clubs, Individuals, Equipment manufacturers and outlets for their outstanding support of the Wake commemorative efforts. These DX-peditions are extremely expensive and could not be accomplished without the support of the entire DX community Visit the website to view our sponsors and make your personal donation. http://wake2013.org/pages/sponsors.html
Please note! A few other DXpeditions will be on the air during the Wake

operation. To avoid the dreaded "not in the log", please be sure which
DXpedition you are working! Our operators will announce the K9W callsign
often to help identify your contact.
Please check our website frequently for updates. http:/wake2013.org/
And don't forget to sign our guestbook!
73, K9W Wake Atoll Management Team"

XR0Y, EASTER ISLAND (Reminder). Operators Jose/CE0HYO, Gustavo/CX2AM,
Humberto/CX3AN, Gustavo/CX3CE, Mario/CX4CR, Gen/EA5HPX, Francisco/EA7FTR
and Carlos/LU2NI will be active as XR0YY from Hanga Roa, Easter Island,
between November 1-7th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB
and the Digital modes. They will have 3 stations operating simultaneously.
QSL via EB7DX. They have a Web site available at:
http://easterisland2013.com

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FAX number. Contributors can now send/fax their DX information to the
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21764. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-10-29 14:30:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21764

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:Issued: 2013 Oct 29 1211 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 31029
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 29 Oct 2013, 1210UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 29 Oct 2013 until 31 Oct 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Active (M-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Minor storm expected (A>=30 or K=5)
SOLAR PROTONS : Warning condition (activity levels expected to increase, but no numeric
forecast given)
PREDICTIONS FOR 29 Oct 2013 10CM FLUX: 154 / AP: 019
PREDICTIONS FOR 30 Oct 2013 10CM FLUX: 150 / AP: 023
PREDICTIONS FOR 31 Oct 2013 10CM FLUX: 150 / AP: 022
COMMENT: The sun produced four M flares and six C flares during the past 24 hours.
These flares originated from Catania sunspot regions 18 and 23
(respectively NOAA ARs 11877 and 11882). In the next 48 hours, M flares
are expected, with a slight chance for X flares. LASCO C2 observed a halo
CME at 15:24 UT on October 28. The CME is associated with the M4.4 flare
of 15:07 UT originating from NOAA AR 11882 and with a type II burst (shock
speed of 1855 km/s estimated at Sagamore Hill). This CME is partly Earth
directed and is expected to arrive around 12:00 UT on October 31. There is
a substantial risk for halo CMEs and the warning condition for proton
storms remains valid. Solar wind data measured by ACE indicate the arrival
of a small shock around 7:00 UT On October 29, probably related to the
arrival of CMEs of October 25. Solar wind speed increased from 300 to 350
km/s. The interplanetary magnetic field (IMF) reached a maximum magnitude
of 11 nT, with a Bz component varying between -10 and +10 nT. Current
geomagnetic activity is at quiet levels (local K at Dourbes between 0 and
3; NOAA Kp between 0 and 1). Active to minor storm conditions (K= 4 to 5)
are possible within the next 24 hours. Also active to minor storm levels
are possible in the second half of October 30, due to the arrival of CMEs
of October 28.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 105, BASED ON 18 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 28 Oct 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 165
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 160
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 005
AK WINGST : 001
ESTIMATED AP : 001
ESTIMATED ISN : 102, BASED ON 21 STATIONS.
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NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
28 1132 1153 1239 S16W44 M1.4 2N 18/1877 VI/1CTM/1
28 1400 1405 1412 N06W75 M2.8 1N 55 16/1875 III/2
28 1446 1501 1504 S08E28 M2.7 1N 23/1882
28 1507 1515 1521 ////// M4.4 170 23/1882 III/1II/2IV/1
28 2048 2057 2102 ////// M1.5 16/1875 V/2III/3
END

21765. qsl

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-10-29 19:32:47 UTC
From: dchamguy@att.net
Topic: 21716 Message: 21765

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TIA
Dale K8TS

21766. Re: [DX-IS] qsl

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-10-29 19:39:30 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 21716 Message: 21766

Yes, the 5C prefix is allocated to Morocco.

73, Zack W9SZ

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21767. Re: [DX-IS] qsl

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-10-29 20:03:10 UTC
From: dale cole
Topic: 21716 Message: 21767

That's what I thought, but do you know the home prefix? Can't find it and is not lissted in x-ref
Thanks Zack

From: Zack Widup <w9sz.zack@...>
To: DX List <DX-IS@...m>
Sent: Tuesday, October 29, 2013 7:39 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] qsl

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21768. Re: [DX-IS] qsl

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-10-29 20:08:38 UTC
From: iain macdonnell - N6ML
Topic: 21716 Message: 21768

The base prefix is CN. You won't find it on the cross-reference list
because both CN and 5C are still valid prefixes. You will find both at
http://www.arrl.org/international-call-sign-series

73,

~iain / N6ML

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21769. Re: [DX-IS] qsl

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-10-29 20:08:46 UTC
From: Radio K0HB
Topic: 21716 Message: 21769

I think that was CN8MC’s call for playing in contests.

73, de Hans, K0HB

From: dale cole
Sent: Tuesday, October 29, 2013 8:03 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] qsl

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21770. Re: [DX-IS] qsl

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-10-29 21:01:14 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 21716 Message: 21770

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21771. Re: [DX-IS] qsl

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-10-29 21:02:00 UTC
From: dale cole
Topic: 21716 Message: 21771

Thanks guys
Dale

From: Radio K0HB <kzerohb@...>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tuesday, October 29, 2013 8:08 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] qsl

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Subject: Re: [DX-IS] qsl

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<w9sz.zack@...>
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21772. Mellish next March

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-10-29 21:25:16 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 21772 Message: 21772

See Mellish Reef is coming next March

www.vk9mt.com

I can use it on a few bands.

73 John AF5CC

21773. Re: [DX-IS] qsl

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-10-29 23:54:49 UTC
From: dale cole
Topic: 21716 Message: 21773

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To: DX List <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Tuesday, October 29, 2013 9:01 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] qsl

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21774. Re: [DX-IS] qsl

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-10-30 00:46:14 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 21716 Message: 21774

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21775. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-10-30 14:30:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21775

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:Issued: 2013 Oct 30 1300 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 31030
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 30 Oct 2013, 1310UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 30 Oct 2013 until 01 Nov 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Active (M-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Minor storm expected (A>=30 or K=5)
SOLAR PROTONS : Warning condition (activity levels expected to increase, but no numeric
forecast given)
PREDICTIONS FOR 30 Oct 2013 10CM FLUX: 150 / AP: 014
PREDICTIONS FOR 31 Oct 2013 10CM FLUX: 148 / AP: 026
PREDICTIONS FOR 01 Nov 2013 10CM FLUX: 148 / AP: 003
COMMENT: The strongest solar event of the past 24 hours was an X2.3 flare peaking
around 21:54 UT on October 29. The X and 2 C flares originated from
Catania sunspot 16 (NOAA active region 11875), which is currently rotating
behind the west limb. The X flare was accompanied by a radio type II burst
observed at Culgoora and a CME detected in LASCO/C2 at 22:12 which is
mainly directed to the west and will probably not reach the Earth. In the
next 48 hours, M flares are expected, with a chance for X flares. The
strongest candidate region is Catania sunspot 16 (NOAA AR 11875), but also
Catania sunspot regions 29 and 25 (resp NOAA ARs 11884 and 11886) could be
sources of flaring activity. The proton flux measured by GOES is still
enhanced, but below the event threshold. The warning condition for proton
storms remains valid. Solar wind speed has increased to about 370 km/s as
observed by ACE. The interplanetary magnetic field (IMF) currently has a
stable magnitude near 10 nT, with a Bz component varying between -10 and +5
nT. Geomagnetic activity is quiet to unsettled (local K at Dourbes and
NOAA Kp between 0 and 3). Active to minor storm conditions (K= 4 to 5)
are possible within the next 48 hours, due to the arrival of the CMEs of
October 28.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 105, BASED ON 17 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 29 Oct 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 171
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 153
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 013
AK WINGST : 007
ESTIMATED AP : 007
ESTIMATED ISN : 104, BASED ON 28 STATIONS.
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NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
29 2142 2154 2201 ////// X2.3 16/1875 II/1IV/1
END

21776. Re: [DX-IS] qsl

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-10-30 15:14:52 UTC
From: dale cole
Topic: 21716 Message: 21776

I once had a sheet on how those T's were assigned. I will look for it again.
Dale

From: Zack Widup <w9sz.zack@...>
To: DX List <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Wednesday, October 30, 2013 12:46 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] qsl

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21777. Re: [DX-IS] qsl

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-10-30 15:48:42 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 21716 Message: 21777

On 10/30/2013 12:14 PM, dale cole wrote:
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I think there are probably rules (similar to the US guideline of KP for Caribbean territories and KH for those in the Pacific), but I don't think there is any way to tell where a TO or a TX prefix is other than reading it in a DX Bulletin. I believe Clipperton and the Australs, for example, could both use TX5DX.

73, Paul VE1DX

21778. Re: [DX-IS] qsl

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-10-30 17:17:33 UTC
From: Dave Leisman
Topic: 21716 Message: 21778

I think that if you do a Google or Bing search for "DX countries" you'll find a list that is easily downlaoded and then parsed into an Excel spreadsheet.

If that doesn't work I have an Excel file I'd be glad to share with anyone who wants. It lists first by country and then by prefix.

Dave, W8QW

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> BHNsawNycGx5BHN0aW1lAzEzODMxNDYwOTU-?act=replycolor: #2D50FD;
> [2]
> http://groups.yahoo.com/group/DX-IS/post;_ylc=X3oDMTJmdjQ1a3A1BF9TAzk3MzU5N
> zE0BGdycElkAzIxNTIyOTM3BGdycHNwSWQDMTcwNTA2MzEwNwRzZWMDZnRyBHNsawNudHBjBHN0
> aW1lAzEzODMxNDYwOTU-[3]
> http://groups.yahoo.com/group/DX-IS/message/21716;_ylc=X3oDMTM3NWxtZmlqBF9T
> Azk3MzU5NzE0BGdycElkAzIxNTIyOTM3BGdycHNwSWQDMTcwNTA2MzEwNwRtc2dJZAMyMTc3NgR
> zZWMDZnRyBHNsawN2dHBjBHN0aW1lAzEzODMxNDYwOTUEdHBjSWQDMjE3MTY-[4]
> http://groups.yahoo.com/group/DX-IS;_ylc=X3oDMTJmMHZpYXMzBF9TAzk3MzU5NzE0BG
> dycElkAzIxNTIyOTM3BGdycHNwSWQDMTcwNTA2MzEwNwRzZWMDdnRsBHNsawN2Z2hwBHN0aW1lA
> zEzODMxNDYwOTU-[5]
> http://groups.yahoo.com/;_ylc=X3oDMTJlYTZxc240BF9TAzk3NDc2NTkwBGdycElkAzIxN
> TIyOTM3BGdycHNwSWQDMTcwNTA2MzEwNwRzZWMDZnRyBHNsawNnZnAEc3RpbWUDMTM4MzE0NjA5
> NQ--[6] http://info.yahoo.com/legal/us/yahoo/utos/terms/
>
>

21779. Re: [DX-IS] qsl

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-10-30 20:15:26 UTC
From: Bob KA9MOM
Topic: 21716 Message: 21779

Here is a shortcut to the ITU Call Sign allocation table.

http://www.itu.int/online/mms/glad/cga_callsign.sh?lang=en&sort_by=1

Bob KA9MOM

On 10/30/2013 12:17 PM, Dave Leisman wrote:
>
> I think that if you do a Google or Bing search for "DX countries"
> you'll find a list that is easily downlaoded and then parsed into an
> Excel spreadsheet.
>
> If that doesn't work I have an Excel file I'd be glad to share with
> anyone who wants. It lists first by country and then by prefix.
>
> Dave, W8QW
>
> On Wed 10/30/13 12:14 PM , dale cole dchamguy@... sent:
> >
> >
> > I once had a sheet on how those T's were assigned. I will look for it
> > again.Dale
> > FROM: Zack Widup
> > TO: DX List
> > SENT: Wednesday, October 30, 2013 12:46 AM
> > SUBJECT: Re: [DX-IS] qsl
> > The ARRL DXCC list (the paper booklet) has a section in the back
> > with ITU prefixes. Also, you can find them on the web doing a search for
> > "ITU prefixes." This has really come in handy for me when
> DXpeditions and
> > other operations use unusual prefixes that aren't the usual ones for
> that
> > country.
> > The only ones that confuse me are the French entities using TO, TX, etc.
> > They could be in a lot of different areas.73, Zack W9SZ
> > On Tue, Oct 29, 2013 at 6:54 PM, dale cole wrote: the "CN" was
> > what I was looking for..... there is no
> > reference given to the 5c in the arrl country list.....kinda
> > like our N8S or K7K thought the K7 was a special event so never tried to
> > work it.....bummer Dale
> > FROM: Zack Widup TO: DX List SENT: Tuesday, October 29, 2013
> > 9:01 PM
> > SUBJECT: Re: [DX-IS] qsl
> > Not sure what you mean by "home prefix." Moroccan stations
> > usually use CN as their prefixes. QRZ says 5C8M is Karl in Rabat,
> Morocco

> > and to QSL via DL6FBL. QRZCQ gives the same manager.
> > On Tue, Oct 29, 2013 at 3:03 PM, dale cole wrote: That's what I
> > thought, but do you know the home prefix? Can't find it and is not
> > lissted in x-refThanks Zack
> > FROM: Zack Widup
> > TO: DX List
> > SENT: Tuesday, October 29, 2013 7:39 PM
> > SUBJECT: Re: [DX-IS] qsl
> > Yes, the 5C prefix is allocated to Morocco.73, Zack W9SZOn Tue,
> > Oct 29, 2013 at 2:32 PM, dchamguy@... wrote: Does anyone
> > know what a 5C8M is? Have a card from several years ago, but is not
> listed
> > in ARRL book. I want to think it is Morroko. TIA Dale K8TS
> >
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> > Links:
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> > [1]
> >
> http://groups.yahoo.com/group/DX-IS/post;_ylc=X3oDMTJyZnBvazByBF9TAzk3MzU5N
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> zE0BGdycElkAzIxNTIyOTM3BGdycHNwSWQDMTcwNTA2MzEwNwRtc2dJZAMyMTc3NgRzZWMDZnRy
> > BHNsawNycGx5BHN0aW1lAzEzODMxNDYwOTU-?act=replycolor: #2D50FD;
> > [2]
> >
> http://groups.yahoo.com/group/DX-IS/post;_ylc=X3oDMTJmdjQ1a3A1BF9TAzk3MzU5N
> >
> zE0BGdycElkAzIxNTIyOTM3BGdycHNwSWQDMTcwNTA2MzEwNwRzZWMDZnRyBHNsawNudHBjBHN0
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> > zZWMDZnRyBHNsawN2dHBjBHN0aW1lAzEzODMxNDYwOTUEdHBjSWQDMjE3MTY-[4]
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> dycElkAzIxNTIyOTM3BGdycHNwSWQDMTcwNTA2MzEwNwRzZWMDdnRsBHNsawN2Z2hwBHN0aW1lA
> > zEzODMxNDYwOTU-[5]
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> >
> TIyOTM3BGdycHNwSWQDMTcwNTA2MzEwNwRzZWMDZnRyBHNsawNnZnAEc3RpbWUDMTM4MzE0NjA5
> > NQ--[6] http://info.yahoo.com/legal/us/yahoo/utos/terms/
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21780. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-10-31 14:30:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21780

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:Issued: 2013 Oct 31 1249 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 31031
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 31 Oct 2013, 1210UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 31 Oct 2013 until 02 Nov 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Active (M-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Minor storm expected (A>=30 or K=5)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 31 Oct 2013 10CM FLUX: 130 / AP: 015
PREDICTIONS FOR 01 Nov 2013 10CM FLUX: 125 / AP: 024
PREDICTIONS FOR 02 Nov 2013 10CM FLUX: 120 / AP: 003
COMMENT: There was only one C flare on the Sun during the past 24 hours, originating
from Catania sunspot region 29 (NOAA active region 11884). The X-ray
background level has been reduced to the B-level. For the next 48 hours, M
flares are expected. No Earth directed CMEs were observed. The proton flux
measured by GOES is currently decreasing. Solar wind speed reached a
maximum of 400 km/s as observed by ACE. The magnitude of the interplanetary
magnetic field (IMF) increased from 6 to 12 nT, mainly with a positive Bz
component. Geomagnetic activity is quiet to unsettled (local K at Dourbes
and NOAA Kp between 0 and 3). Unsettled to minor storm conditions (K= 3
to 5) are possible within the next 48 hours, due to weak effects of the
CMEs that erupted on October 28.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 089, BASED ON 16 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 30 Oct 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 142
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 024
AK WINGST : 015
ESTIMATED AP : 016
ESTIMATED ISN : 104, BASED ON 25 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21781. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-10-31 14:54:38 UTC
From: Frank T Brady
Topic: 21707 Message: 21781

I recently clicked the "unsubscribe" option at the end of the Report SIDC Ursigram email.
That was interprted as an unsubscribe from DX-IS altogether (I didn't confirm, so all is well).
Is there a way to unsubscribe from Report SIDC Ursigram only?
73
frank w0ecs

21782. [DX-IS] New Poll for DX-IS

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-10-31 15:09:06 UTC
From: <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Topic: 21782 Message: 21782

Enter your vote today! A new poll has been created for the
DX-IS group:

The SIDC Ursigram message is sent to DX IS! daily at 14:30 UTC. Do you wish this to continue?

- Yes
- No

To vote, please visit the following web page:
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/DX-IS/surveys?id=3157754

Note: Please do not reply to this message. Poll votes are
not collected via email. To vote, you must go to the Yahoo! Groups
web site listed above.

Thanks!

21783. Do we keep the solar reports?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-10-31 15:14:49 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 21707 Message: 21783

On 10/31/2013 11:54 AM, Frank T Brady wrote:
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> frank w0ecs
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You can't subscribe a Yahoo Group like "DX IS!" to another mailing list. In other words, RWC Belgium won't send the report to a distribution list, just an individual. I am subscribed to the SIDC Ursigram mailing list. At 14:30 UTC daily I have a program that whips through my inbox, extracts the latest SIDC Ursigram, and sends a copy to the "DX IS!" Yahoo group.

The Unsubscribe you are referring to will remove you from the entire list, not the SIDC Ursigram message. This propagation forecast message is all or nothing. I either send it to the entire list or not at all. I can't make it go to just a sub-set of the ~300 members.

If the majority wants to keep it, we will. If not, I'll disable it. I just created a poll where list member can vote. The voting will end on 7 Nov 2013.

73, Paul VE1DX (co-owner DX IS! List with N1DG)

21784. Re: [DX-IS] Do we keep the solar reports?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-10-31 15:18:29 UTC
From: Richard Solomon
Topic: 21707 Message: 21784

I just love what Yahoo has done to their groups !!

When you tick off Yes or No, I do not see how you
submit the vote.

Anyway, a tempest in a teapot ... that's what the delete
key was invented for.

73, Dick, W1KSZ

On Thu, Oct 31, 2013 at 8:14 AM, Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...> wrote:

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> On 10/31/2013 11:54 AM, Frank T Brady wrote:
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21785. Re: [DX-IS] Do we keep the solar reports?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-10-31 15:35:14 UTC
From: iain macdonnell - N6ML
Topic: 21707 Message: 21785

On Thu, Oct 31, 2013 at 8:14 AM, Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...> wrote:
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> On 10/31/2013 11:54 AM, Frank T Brady wrote:
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>> SIDC Ursigram email.
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> it. I just created a poll where list member can vote. The voting will
> end on 7 Nov 2013.

IMO, anyone who wants to get those reports can sign up for them the
same way you did (right?). Reposting them here takes away the choice
for members of this group to not receive the reports, if they're not
interested.

73,

~iain / N6ML

21786. Re: [DX-IS] Do we keep the solar reports?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-10-31 15:50:29 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 21707 Message: 21786

On 10/31/2013 12:35 PM, iain macdonnell - N6ML wrote:
> On Thu, Oct 31, 2013 at 8:14 AM, Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...> wrote:
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>> On 10/31/2013 11:54 AM, Frank T Brady wrote:
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> interested.
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> 73,
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This came up before and I did an informal poll. It seemed to me
that the vast majority wanted them. I decided this time to set up a
proper vote, and I'll do what the majority wants. As I said, it's all

or nothing. The original idea (by a former owner) was to try to get DX related bulletins and any other info on the Internet that would be useful to DXers here in a single place. The feeling was many members didn't want to subscribe to 10-15 different mailing lists. The downside is as you say . . . members can't decide individually on each message. I would create a filter that deletes anything with SIDC in the topic if I didn't want to see them.

On a somewhat related topic, if we remove all the automated messages, this place will become a wasteland . . . I don't know when you joined, but 10-15 years ago this list got 15-20 messages a day and had over 1000 members. It was as active as the QRZ.COM forums are today. Has the entire "DX IS!" list outlived its usefulness? Perhaps we need a poll on that.

73, Paul VE1DX

21787. Re: [DX-IS] Do we keep the solar reports?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-10-31 15:51:06 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 21707 Message: 21787

On 10/31/2013 12:18 PM, Richard Solomon wrote:
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>
> I just love what Yahoo has done to their groups !!
>
> When you tick off Yes or No, I do not see how you
> submit the vote.
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> Anyway, a tempest in a teapot ... that's what the delete
> key was invented for.
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> 73, Dick, W1KSZ
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First time I played seriously with the interface, Dick. I think you click Yes or No and then just go somewhere else on the page or log out. I agree there ought to be a "Submit" button or something but just voting and moving away from the page seems to register it. Last time I looked there were 7 votes.

73, Paul VE1DX

21788. RE: [DX-IS] Do we keep the solar reports?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-10-31 15:57:02 UTC
From: KQ8M
Topic: 21707 Message: 21788

Personally I don't care if they are there or not. I know how to use the delete key when appropriate.

73,
Tim Herrick, KQ8M
Charter Member North Coast Contesters
kq8m@...

AR-Cluster V6 kq8m.no-ip.org
User Ports: 23, 7373 with local skimmer, 7374 without local skimmer
Server Ports: V6 3607, V4 Active 3605, V4 Passive 3606

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Paul M Dunphy
Sent: Thursday, October 31, 2013 11:51 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Do we keep the solar reports?

On 10/31/2013 12:18 PM, Richard Solomon wrote:
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> I just love what Yahoo has done to their groups !!
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Yahoo Groups Links

21789. Re: [DX-IS] Do we keep the solar reports?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-10-31 17:19:37 UTC
From: dale cole
Topic: 21707 Message: 21789

Same as Tim
Dale K8TS

From: KQ8M <kq8m@...>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thursday, October 31, 2013 3:57 PM
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Do we keep the solar reports?

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Yahoo Groups Links

21790. Re: Re: [DX-IS] Do we keep the solar reports?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-10-31 17:29:23 UTC
From: Ron Notarius W3WN
Topic: 21707 Message: 21790

Ditto

On 10/31/13, dale cole wrote:

Same as Tim
Dale K8TS

From: KQ8M <kq8m@...>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thursday, October 31, 2013 3:57 PM
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Do we keep the solar reports?

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Yahoo Groups Links

21791. Re: [DX-IS] New Poll for DX-IS

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-10-31 17:28:25 UTC
From: SM0AJU LEIF
Topic: 21782 Message: 21791

NO !

At 16:09 2013-10-31, you wrote:
>
>
>Enter your vote today! A new poll has been created for the
>DX-IS group:
>
>The SIDC Ursigram message is sent to DX IS!
>daily at 14:30 UTC. Do you wish this to continue?
>
>- Yes
>- No
>
>To vote, please visit the following web page:
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/DX-IS/surveys?id=3157754

>Note: Please do not reply to this message. Poll votes are
>not collected via email. To vote, you must go to the Yahoo! Groups
>web site listed above.
>
>Thanks!
>

21792. Re: [DX-IS] New Poll for DX-IS

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-10-31 17:53:08 UTC
From: Radio K0HB
Topic: 21782 Message: 21792

I couldn’t vote on the Yahoo site..... I could make a selection, but can’t find a way to commit that selection.

In any case, I’d vote “Yes”.

It’s not like the reflector is running a big backlog of traffic.

73, de Hans, K0HB

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thursday, October 31, 2013 3:09 PM
To: DX-IS@...m
Subject: [DX-IS] New Poll for DX-IS

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DX-IS group:

The SIDC Ursigram message is sent to DX IS! daily at 14:30 UTC. Do you wish this to continue?

- Yes
- No

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web site listed above.

Thanks!

21793. RE: [DX-IS] New Poll for DX-IS

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-10-31 19:01:27 UTC
From: KQ8M
Topic: 21782 Message: 21793

Just an FYI, I don’t care for them myself but there probably are some that do like them and use them hence I voted Yes. Again, That’s what the key labeled DEL is for. Also mail rules work quite well.

73,

Tim Herrick, KQ8M

Charter Member North Coast Contesters

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AR-Cluster V6 kq8m.no-ip.org

User Ports: 23, 7373 with local skimmer, 7374 without local skimmer

Server Ports: V6 3607, V4 Active 3605, V4 Passive 3606

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Radio K0HB
Sent: Thursday, October 31, 2013 1:53 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] New Poll for DX-IS

I couldn’t vote on the Yahoo site..... I could make a selection, but can’t find a way to commit that selection.

In any case, I’d vote “Yes”.

It’s not like the reflector is running a big backlog of traffic.

73, de Hans, K0HB

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com

Sent: Thursday, October 31, 2013 3:09 PM

To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com

Subject: [DX-IS] New Poll for DX-IS

Enter your vote today! A new poll has been created for the
DX-IS group:

The SIDC Ursigram message is sent to DX IS! daily at 14:30 UTC. Do you wish this to continue?

- Yes
- No

To vote, please visit the following web page:
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/DX-IS/surveys?id=3157754

Note: Please do not reply to this message. Poll votes are
not collected via email. To vote, you must go to the Yahoo! Groups
web site listed above.

Thanks!

21794. ARLD044 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-10-31 22:08:23 UTC
From: jjreisert@...
Topic: 6750 Message: 21794

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ARLD044 DX news

ZCZC AE44
QST de W1AW
DX Bulletin 44 ARLD044
>From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT October 31, 2013
To all radio amateurs

SB DX ARL ARLD044
ARLD044 DX news

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by N7QT, NC1L, QRZ DX, the OPDX Bulletin, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, DXNL, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

EASTER ISLAND, CE0Y. A group of operators are QRV as XR0YY from Hanga Roa, IOTA SA-001, until November 7. Activity is on 160 to 6 meters using all modes. QSL direct via EB7DX.

CAPE VERDE, D4. John, G4IRN will be QRV as D44TWQ from Boa Vista Island, IOTA AF-086, from November 5 to 12. Activity is holiday style on the newer bands using CW. QSL to home call.

NIUE, E6. Look for JA1KJW, JA1JQY and JA8VE to be QRV as E6AK, E6AY and E6AA, respectively, from November 3 to 9. Activity will be on 80 to 10 meters using all modes. QSL to home calls.

SCOTLAND, GM. Special event station GM100RSGB will be QRV from November 6 to December 2 to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the RSGB. QSL via bureau.

SAN ANDRES AND PROVIDENCIA, HK0. A group of operators are QRV as 5J0R from San Andres Island, IOTA NA-033, until November 10. Activity is on 160 to 6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL direct via EA5RM.

ANTARCTICA. Max, IA0MZ is QRV from Mario Zucchelli Station until February 2014. QSL via IW0EFA.

ITALY, I. Special event call sign II8IDXC is QRV until May 2015 during the International DX Convention 2015 in Paestrum. Activity is on the HF bands and 6 meters using all modes. QSL via IZ8EDJ.

SABA, ST. EUSTATIUS, PJ5. Rob, N7QT and Hugh, W4VAB will be QRV as PJ6/N7QT and PJ6/W4VAB, respectively, from Saba from November 7 to

17. Activity will be on 80 to 10 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY, PSK and JT65. QSL to home calls.

ANTARCTICA. Operators Oleg, UA1PBA, Alex, UA1PAW and Slava, UA1PAI are QRV as RI1ANR from Novo Runway until March 2014. Activity is on the HF bands with a focus on the low bands. QSL via RK1PWA.

POLAND, SP. Special event station SN640OKA is QRV until December 31 to celebrate the 640th anniversary of Ostroleka, a town in Mazovia. QSL via Bureau.

BANABA, T33. A group of operators will be QRV as T33A from Banaba Island, IOTA OC-018, from November 5 to 18. Activity will be on 160 to 10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY with six stations active. QSL via W2IJ.

TURKEY, TA. Members of the TC Special Wireless Activity Team are QRV as TC301B until November 17 to celebrate 30 years of the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus, which is recognized only by Turkey. QSL via the bureau.

VIET NAM, XV. Toshi, JA3NHL and Take, JA6CNH will be QRV as XV2NHL and XV2CNH, respectively, from Ho Chi Minh City from November 2 to 8. Activity will be on 160 to 6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL to home calls.

VANUATU, YJ. Operators Nob, JA2AAU, Iwao, JA2LSS, Iku, JA2ATE and Tug, JA2ZS are QRV as YJ0AU, YJ0CJ, YJ0TE and YJ0ZS, respectively, from Iririki Island, IOTA OC-035, until November 11. Activity is on the HF bands and 6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL YJ0AU and YJ0CJ direct via JA2ATE, YJ0ZS via JA2ZS and YJ0TE via JA2ATE.

OPERATION APPROVED FOR DXCC CREDIT. The following operation is approved for DXCC Credit: Afghanistan, T6MH, 2012 and 2013 operations. If you had this contact rejected in a recent submission, send an email to bmoore@... to be placed on the list for an update to your record.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. ARRL CW Sweepstakes Contest, North American Collegiate ARC CW Championship, NCCC Sprint, IPARC Contest, Ukrainian DX Contest, Himalayan Contest, IPARC Contest, High Speed Club CW Contest and the DARC 10-Meter Digital Contest are all on tap for this upcoming weekend. The ARS Spartan CW Sprint is scheduled for November 5. The QRP CW Fox Hunt is scheduled for November 6. Please see November QST, page 87, and the ARRL and WA7BNM contest web sites for details.
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21795. NEW IRCs

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-01 01:21:43 UTC
From: Alan Scher
Topic: 21795 Message: 21795

Does anyone have any of the new style IRCs expiring in 2017 for sale?

Thanks & 73

Alan WD8PKF

21796. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-01 14:30:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21796

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:Issued: 2013 Nov 01 1221 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 31101
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 01 Nov 2013, 1211UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 01 Nov 2013 until 03 Nov 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 01 Nov 2013 10CM FLUX: 140 / AP: 009
PREDICTIONS FOR 02 Nov 2013 10CM FLUX: 140 / AP: 003
PREDICTIONS FOR 03 Nov 2013 10CM FLUX: 140 / AP: 006
COMMENT: The sun produced one M and seven C flares during the past 24 hours. Catania
sunspot region 18 (NOAA AR 11877) was responsible for the M1.9 flare
peaking at 13:51 UT on October 31. Most C flares originated from Catania
sunspot region 29 (NOAA AR 11884). During the next 48 hours, more C flaring
activity is expected with a slight chance for an M flare, especially from
Catania sunspot region 29 (NOAA AR 11884), which retains a beta-gamma-delta
configuration of its photospheric magnetic field. LASCO/C2 (at 18:12 UT on
October 31) and LASCO/C3 observed a mainly south directed CME, which will
at most only produce a glancing blow. Due to the low speed (CACTus
estimation 254 km/s), no effect on geomagnetic conditions is expected.
Solar wind parameters observed by ACE indicated the arrival of a weak
transient at 10:00 UTC on October 31, possibly related to the CME of 15:24
UT on October 28. A slight increase in solar wind speed, temperature and
density was measured. The magnitude of the interplanetary magnetic field
(IMF) went to 12 nT and is now stable around 5 nT. Current solar wind speed
is around 350 km/s. Geomagnetic activity is quiet to unsettled (local K at
Dourbes and NOAA Kp between 0 and 3), which is expected to remain so
within the next 48 hours.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 085, BASED ON 08 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 31 Oct 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 138
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 143
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 013
AK WINGST : 008
ESTIMATED AP : 007
ESTIMATED ISN : ///, BASED ON /// STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
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31 1336 1351 1402 ////// M1.9 18/1877
END
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21797. 425 DX News - #1174

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-01 17:29:20 UTC
From: <k9or@...>
Topic: 21797 Message: 21797

02 November 2013 A.R.I. DX Bulletin
No 1174
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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** DX INFORMATION ****
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Edited by I1JQJ & IK1ADH
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5W - Hiro, JF1OCQ will be active as 5W7X from Apia, Samoa (OC-097) on 7-14 November. He plans to be QRV on 160-6 metres SSB and CW. QSL via home call. E-mail requests for bureau cards can be sent to jf1ocq[@]arrl.net http://arrl.net. [TNX NG3K]
CE0Z - Announced frequencies for the 8-20 November XR0ZR DXpedition to Juan Fernandez (SA-005) [425DXN 1148] are:
CW 1826 3526 7026 10106 14026 18076 21026 24896 28026
SSB 1840 3780 7060/7150 14150 18140 21270 24940 28470
RTTY 3590 7035 10142 14080 18100 21080 24920 28080
Plans are to operate also on 6 metres (50103 kHz CW/SSB and 50193 kHz EME) and 60 metres CW and SSB (5371.5). The team (DL6JGN, EA3AKY, IV3DSH, IW3SQY, IZ8GCE, PA3EWP, SP3DOI and WA7NB) will operate four stations. QSL via IV3DSH, direct or bureau, and LoTW after 6 months. Logsearch and OQRS on Club Log. Further information can be found at www.juanfernandez2013.com http://www.juanfernandez2013.com
JD1_oga- Toshi, JP1IOF will be active again as JD1BLC from Ogasawara (AS-031) on 7-15 November. He plans to be QRV on all bands and modes. QSL via JP1IOF (direct or bureau) and LoTW. Logsearch and OQRS on Club Log. [TNX DX World]
JT - Special event station JT50SSB is active until 6 November from Ulaanbaatar to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the first SSB QSO with Mongolia, made by Vladimir Vasilyevich Belousov (UA3CA) in 1963. The operators are JT1BB, JT1BO, JT1CS, JT1DA and Belousov's son, Andrey Vladimirovich (UA3ABR/JT1CA). QSL via UA3ABR.
KH9 - The K9W Commemorative DXpedition team (AA4NN, K6MM, K9CT, K9NW, K9ZO, N2TU, N9TK, NA6M, W3OA, W8GEX, W8HC and WB9Z) has been approved for entry onto Wake Atoll. The equipment is already on Wake and in safe storage awaiting their arrival: the plan is for the team to depart on 1 November, arrive on the 2nd and immediately erect antennas and set-up the stations. They plan to be QRV on 3-15 November (Wake time) with four stations on the following target frequencies:
CW 1826.5 3523 7023 10103 14023 18079 21023 24894 28023
SSB - 3790 7082 - 14185 18140 21285 24955 28485
RTTY - 3580 7035 10142 14080 18099 21080 24912 28080
Announced frequencies for 60m are 5405 (CW) and 5403.5 (SSB), while

on 6m K9W will use 50107 (CW and SSB).
Logs will be uploaded to Club Log as time and Internet access
allow. An OQRS for direct an bureau cards will be activated on
Club Log after the DXpedition ends. Traditional requests should be
sent direct to Wake Island DXpedition, P.O. Box 5005, Lake Wylie SC
29710, USA, or via bureau to AA4NN. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW
six months after the conclusion of the DXpedition. Bookmark
www.wake2013.org http://www.wake2013.org for further information and updates. [TNX W8GEX]
KP4 - KP4AO, the Arecibo Observatory Amateur Radio Club, will be QRV on
10 November from 14 UTC to 20 UTC to celebrate the observatory's
50th anniversary. Activity will be on 20 metres. QSL via W3HNK.
[TNX The Daily DX]
OZ - Once again Dirk, OZ/KH6DXX will be active from Romo Island
(EU-125) on 2-9 November. He will participate in the IPARC
(International Police Association Radio Club) SSB Contest on the
3rd. QSL via DF3XX, direct or bureau. [TNX rsgbiota.org http://rsgbiota.org]
PJ - Rob, N7QT and Hugh, W4VAB will be active as PJ6/N7QT and PJ6/W4VAB
from Saba (NA-145) on 7-17 November, and as PJ7/N7QT and PJ7/W4VAB
from Sint Maarten (NA-105) on 17-24 November. It will be a
"suitcase mini-DXpedition" with planned activity on 80-10 metres
CW, SSB and digital modes (RTTY, PSK and JT65). QSL via home
calls, direct or bureau, plus LoTW and eQSL. [TNX NG3K]
PY - Special event station ZV7O will be active on 15-16 November during
Fliporto 2013, the International Literary Festival of Pernambuco.
QSL via PY7JN. [TNX PY7ZZ]
TU - The website for the 17-30 November "solidarity radio operation"
from Cote d'Ivoire [425DXN 1172] is now up and running at
www.premiumorange.com/tu2013/ http://www.premiumorange.com/tu2013/ . Chris TU5AX, Paul
TU5XV and Jan
TU5NK plan to be QRV on 160-6 metres as follows:
CW 1826.5 3524 7024 10104 14024 18084 21024 24894 28024 50104
SSB - 3799 7070 - 14190 18150 21290 24950 28490 50150
DIGI - - 7050 10138 14080 18100 21080 24920 28080 -
Announced frequencies for 60m SSB are 5371.5/5403.5. QSL TU5AX via
F4WBN (direct/bureau, OQRS on Club Log), QSL TU5NK via DJ8NK
(direct/bureau and LoTW, OQRS on Club Log), QSL TU5XV via F6EXV
(direct/bureau and LoTW, OQRS on Club Log).
V5 - Klaus, DJ4SO be active again as V5/DJ4SO from Namibia from 7-8
November to 4 December. He plans to operate CW, digital modes and
some SSB on 160-6 metres. QSL via home call. [TNX The Daily DX]
VE - To commemorate the 250th anniversary of the Royal Proclamation of
1763, Canadian amateurs may use the following prefixes from 5
November to 5 December: VG for VA, VX for VE, XJ for VO, XK for VY.
VU7 - Krish W4VKU (VU2VKU) and other eight operators (namely Aravind
VU2ABS, Deepak VU2CDP, Nandu VU2NKS, Basappa VU2NXM, Pai VU2PAI,
Chandra VU2RCT, Chetan VU3DMP and YL operator Raji VU3CHM) will be
active as VU7AG from Agatti Island, Lakshadweep Islands (AS-011)
"for at least fourteen days" between 20 November and 10 December.
Another callsign (VU7KA) has been issued for demonstration
purposes on Kavaratti Island; it will be used when team members

make presentations to the local administration there "and educate
them on amateur radio".
Plans for VU7AG are to operate three high power stations on the
following target frequencies:
CW 1812 3512 7012 10112 14012 18082 21012 24902 28012
SSB - - 7095 - 14180 18155 21280 24955 28480
RTTY - - 7032 10142 14082 18092 21092 24922 28092
QSL via W4VKU, direct or bureau (logsearch and OQRS on Club Log).
Logs will be uploaded to LoTW approximately six months after the
conclusion of the DXpedition. Bookmark www.vu7ag.info http://www.vu7ag.info for further
information and updates.
XV - Special event callsign XV2V40J will be used by seven operators
(JA2TXR, JA3NHL, JA4AGA, JA6CNH, JA6QGF, JA8NF and JF1HJZ) on 2-24
November to commemorate the 40th anniversary of the establishment
of diplomatic relations between Japan and Vietnam. QSL via JF1HJZ.
YB - Budi, YF1AR (www.yf1ar.com http://www.yf1ar.com) will be active as YF1AR/4 from Sebesi
Island (OC-262) on 2-5 November. He will operate mainly SSB
running 100 watts into a vertical dipole for 20, 15 and 10 metres,
and a GP for 40 metres. QSL via N2OO. Logsearch on Club Log. [TNX
YF1AR]
YB - According to the expedition's blog (http://oc157.blogspot.com/
http://oc157.blogspot.com/),
YB8V is likely to be the callsign to be used on 10-15 November from
Banda Besar Island (OC-157) [425DXN 1173]. QSL via YB9BU, direct
only.
ZD9 - Bani van der Merwe, ZS1BM is part of the 59th overwintering team
on Gough Island (AF-030) that departed Cape Town on 5 September
aboard the MV S.A. Agulhas II. According to qrz.com http://qrz.com, he expects to
be QRV as ZD9G through August 2014. QSL via ZS1HF.

AFRICA TRIP ---> Carl, SM6CPY will be active holiday style as 5H3CJ from
Tanzania on 6-12 November and again on 18-26 November, and as 9X0PY from
Rwanda on 12-18 November. Dates are approximate. He plans to operate CW
only on 20, 15, 12 and 10 metres, "hopefully on 40 and 30 and possibly on 80
meters". QSLs via SM6CPY. [TNX The Daily DX]

CARIBBEAN TRIP ---> Mike, DF8AN will operate mainly CW as V26MN from
Antigua (NA-100) on 5-8 November, VP2MMN from Montserrat (NA-103) on 8-15
November and V4/DF8AN from St.Kitts (NA-104) on 15-19 November. QSL via
home call, direct or bureau. [TNX DX World]

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** GOOD TO KNOW ... ****
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7O2A ---> This was a surprise activity by Dima, RA9USU (of 7O6T fame), who
operated from Socotra Island (AF-028), Yemen for the CQ WW DX SSB Contest.
QSL via UA3DX; logsearch and OQRS on Club Log. The operation has been

already approved for DXCC credit.

CYPRUS ---> "A large number of Cyprus stations have QSL mangers outside Cyprus. The Cyprus Amateur Radio Society's (CARS) QSL Bureau cannot deliver QSLs to these stations. Please ensure that the QSL Manager's callsign is written prominently on the card. Many cards are received from bureaux with the correct manager, but the cards still get delivered to CARS because the manager's call is not prominent". A list of Cyprus stations that have managers outside Cyprus can be found on www.cyhams.org/index.php http://www.cyhams.org/index.php: click on CARS Services ---> QSL Bureau Service ---> Incoming QSL cards - Foreign Amateurs & QSL Bureaux please read. [TNX 5B4AHJ]

DXCC NEWS ---> T6MH (Afghanistan, 2012 and 2013 operations) has been approved for DXCC credit. If you've had this rejected in a prior application, send a note to bmoore[@]arrl.org http://arrl.org to be placed on the list for an update to your record. Please note the submission date and/or reference number where the rejection was noted to expedite the search for any rejected QSOs. [TNX NC1L]

KOSOVO ---> Members of SHRAK, Kosovo's Amateur Radio Association (Z60A) and Finland's Radio Arcala (OH8X) have a joint project to operate from Albania, which is "still semi-rare on several bands". On 1-3 November, to "simulate the upcoming ZA expedition", the Kosovo team will operate Z60A on 14210, 21310 and 28510 kHz SSB. QSL via OH2BH. [TNX OH2BN]

QSL 5B4AHJ & P3J ---> M0URX is the new QSL manager for 5B4AHJ and P3J [425DXN 1173]. Older calls (5B50J, 5B/G3PMR, G3PMR and others) still go via 5B4AHJ. [TNX 5B4AHJ]

QSL ZS8C ---> "I have changed the address that the QSL cards get sent to", Carson, ZS8C (ZR6CWI) says on his qrz.com http://qrz.com page. The new address is Carson McAfee, P.O. Box 1585, Allens Nek, 1737, Roodepoort, Johannesburg, South Africa. Cards sent to the old address will be processed, and need not to be resubmitted. Carson adds that "cards can also be sent via the SARL QSL Bureau" and that "LoTW will be completed once I return to SA".

+ SILENT KEY + Guenter S. Hamacher, HP1XX (HP1XVH) passed away on 22 October. He was born in Cologne in 1931, and had quite an eventful, successful and varied life until he emigrated to Contadora Island (NA-072), Panama in 1982. An amateur radio operator for 25 years, he participated in or hosted a large number of contest operations. The last one was HP1WW by OH0XX for the CQ WW DX CW 2012, shortly before Guenter left the island and moved permanently to mainland Panama. He also conducted the Pacific Island Net for twenty years, providing valuable assistance to sailing boats.

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******* QSL ROUTES *******
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3B9FR HB9SLO ED3X EA3JW PI4COM PA3CAL
3D2AC WA1S ED5N EA5KA PI4DX PD1X
3D2FL AA4FL ED5T EA5ELT PI4M PA0MBD
3G1B HA1AG ED8P NP3O PI4YLC PA7DW
3G1D EA5GL ED8W EA8DO PJ2/N0VD W3HNK
3G3P CE3PG ED9Z EA5KB PJ2T W3HNK
3G3W XQ4CW EE3A EA3ATM PJ4/K2NG WA2NHA
3V7A LX1NO EE3C EA3CKX PJ4X W1MD
3W2DK N0ODK EE5T EA5URT PJ6A N4NX
3Z2X SP2YWL EF7K EA7URA PJ7PL WA1ZAM
4L0A EA7FTR EF8S OH2BYS PR0F PP5VB
4L8A K1BV EF8U EA8URL PR5C PU5SVE
4M5W IT9DAA EI13CLAN EI6AL PR5D PY5DC
4O7CC UA4CC EI1A PA3249 PS2R PY2TDX
4X2M 4X4DZ EI7M EI6HB PS2T K3IRV
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5B4AJC UA3DX EK3GM IK2QPR PT5J PP5VB
5B4ALB RT9T EM1933L UR3LCM PT9/AL4Q DJ8QP
5H3EE DL4ME EN70GH UR3GJ PX2B PY2LED
5J0R EA5RM EP3PK IK2DUW PX2C M0OXO
5Q1A OZ5ESB ES9C ES5RY PX2T PY2DN
5W1SA JA1DXA FM5FJ KU9C PX2W PY2YU
5X1NH G3RWF FO4BM F4FJH PX5E PP5VB
5Z4T EA4YK FO8WBB N6JA PY0F/PY3MM PP5VB
6Y3M VE3NE FS/AA4VK AA4VK R100RQA RN1ON
7O2A UA3DX FS/N0TG AA4VK RA2FDX RN3RQ
7P8GF ZS6AYU G2F G8HDK SJ2W SM2LIY
8P0P W3HNK G5W G3BJ SK3W SM5DJZ
8P2K KU9C GJ2A GJ3DVC SN1956PW SP3PGR
8P5A NN1N GJ4CBQ GM4FDM SN2B SP3CGK
8P6SH KU9C GM0B MM0BHX SN2M SP2XF
8P9NX W3HNK GM2T GM4UYZ SO4R SP4PND
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9A5Y 9A7W GM3F GM4FDM ST2BSS ST2M
9A8DV IK6VXO GM6NX GM4UYE SU8JOTA SM5AQD
9A8M 9A3JB GM7A GM7AAJ SU9VB UA4WHX
9A9DX N2RIT GW9T GW6NLP SW44M DK2PZ
9H3DS G0EVV GZ5Y GM4SSA SW5CC M0OXO
9H9BKR 9H1SP H2T 5B4XF SW8YY DH7WW
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9M4CPD 9W2PD HC2AO RC5A T30FL AA4FL
9M4DX JA6IDJ HF9Q SP9QMP T46A EA5GL
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9V1YC W5UE HG7T HA7TM T6EC KF7WNX
9X0ZM JO1CRA HI3/NP3J EA5GL T6MH W2GR
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A60JOTA IZ8CLM HR2WW KD4POJ T8TT JA1WSX
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A61ZX IZ8CLM HZ1MOP HZ1HN TC90TC TA1HZ
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A91ACC IZ8CLM IF9A IT9ATF TI8M TI2KAC
A92AA IZ8CLM IG9R IK8HCG TM16C F4DSE
A92IO EI3IO IG9Y ON4LG TM1A F6KOP
AH0BT 7L1FPU IH9/IV3NVN IK2ILH TM1T F5TRO
AH0K OH6GDX IH9B IK2ILH TM2T F8DHE
AH2R JH7QXJ II8IDXC IZ8EDJ TM4L F8ARK
AL1G AC7DX II9K IT9HBT TM6M F4DXW
AP2IN IK2DUW II9P IT9CHU TM9R F6KNB
AY5F LU5FC IO4C IZ4DPV TO1A F5HRY
AY8A LU8ADX IO5O IK5RLP TO5A F5VHJ
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21799. Wake Is DXpedition

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http://uk.flightaware.com/live/flight/ATN470/history/20131101/1500Z/PHIK/PWAK

Flight tracking for the K9W Wake Island group.

21800. ARLP044 Propagation de K7RA

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It's been a lively couple of weeks, with plenty of sunspots and great HF propagation. The average daily sunspot number for the week was 161.6, unchanged from last week's average of 162. Solar flux values were up quite a bit though, rising from 139.6 to 158.3, quite a healthy jump.

On October 26 the Penticton solar flux reading was 171.8, but NOAA downgraded it to 165, probably because the higher value was an outlier caused by solar events overloading the receivers at Penticton.

Just before ARRL CW Sweepstakes this weekend, predicted daily solar flux for the near term is 140 on November 1, 135 on November 2, 130 on November 3-4, 135 on November 5, 140 on November 6-8, then 105, 110, 120, 125, 130 and 135 on November 9-14, 140 on November 15-18, 145 on November 19, 150 on November 20-21, with flux values peaking at 155 on November 22-25, then dropping to a minimum of 105 on December 6.

Stable geomagnetic conditions are predicted for Sweepstakes weekend, with a predicted planetary A index at 5 on November 1-6, 8 on November 7-8, 5 on November 9, then 12, 15, 10 and 8 on November 10-13, 5 on November 14-25, 8 on November 26-27, 5 on November 28 through December 6, and 12, 15, 10 and 8 on December 7-10.

As October ended yesterday, we can now calculate our 3-month moving average of daily sunspot numbers. The average daily sunspot number for the three-month period centered on September, 2013 (including all daily numbers from August 1 through October 31, 2013) was 91.2, reflecting the recent uptick in solar activity.

So far in 2013 the averages are 73.6, 80.7, 85.2, 106.4, 106.4, 97.5, 85.6, 77.4 and 91.2.

The monthly averages for June through October 2013 were 80.2, 86.2, 90.2, 55 and 127.2. You can see that the month just ended was a very strong period.

You may recall in our last Propagation Forecast Bulletin ARLP043 that Ganesh, VU2TS joked (I think he was joking?) about the possibility that contesters might charge the ionosphere with some of the big antennas and power beamed skyward.

Apparently K9LA took this seriously enough to do the math, and his comments are quite interesting, and show us just how far-fetched this idea is.

Carl Luetzelschwab, K9LA wrote, "Recently a QST reader asked the same question. My response to him was that the power density needed to modify the E region is around 1 milliwatt per square meter (from 'Radio Techniques for Probing the Terrestrial Ionosphere,' Hunsucker, 1991). That translates to a huge ERP (effective radiated power). For example, the HF ionospheric modification facility (commonly called an ionospheric heater) at Tromso, Norway has an ERP of about 360 megawatts. Their transmitter puts out 1.4 megawatts and the gain of their antenna is 24 dBi, which results in about 3 milliwatts per square meter at 100 km.

"Now let's assume there are 1,000 contesters on the same band, each running 1 kilowatt into a 10 dBi antenna. Let's further assume they are all beaming to the same spot in the E region that's about 400 km down the road (in other words, they're all within an 800km diameter). And let's even further assume that all of these signals are on at the same instant of time and arrive at that spot in-phase. That works out to 0.08 milliwatts per square meter - which is still an order of magnitude less than needed. The F region is even worse, as the transmitted power density decreases due to the increased height.

"Thus I have a problem with the theory that many, many transmitted signals can enhance the ionosphere. I believe the bands are simply open more than we think, and a massive amount of activity (as in a contest) shows this. Note that 10-Meters was really good for several days before the contest - when the amount of people on was considerably less."

Thank you, Carl. Nice to see the numbers applied to this concept.

Solar activity made the news in the Los Angeles Times this week, concerning 28 solar flares in the previous week:

http://www.latimes.com/science/sciencenow/la-sci-sn-solar-flare-20131031,0,7996603.story#axzz2jOYy1d19.

And another news article about recent activity:

http://www.nbcnews.com/science/boisterous-sun-fires-third-huge-solar-flare-many-days-8C11480451.

Ted Leaf, K6HI sent us this:

http://www.nasa.gov/content/goddard/sun-emits-2nd-solar-flare-in-2-days/

Another L.A. Times piece, this time about an astronomer carrying on an old tradition, drawing sunspots by hand, sent to us by David Moore:

http://www.latimes.com/local/columnone/la-me-c1-mt-wilson-sun-spots-20131028-dto,0,4430093.htmlstory#axzz2jOYy1d19.

And here is an article about a magnetic storm a decade ago:

http://www.directionsmag.com/articles/the-magnetic-storm-of-halloween-2003/364078.

Mike Khokhlov, UA9CIR of Ekaterinburg in Asiatic Russia wrote, "We have just participated in the CQ WW SSB contest and with SF above 160 and A-index below 5 that was the propagation of a lifetime. Not sure if I will ever experience that in my life again when the 3 things coincide: high SF, low A and CQWW.

"We are now crossing fingers for the active region to return on the next lap. The CW leg is 4 weeks after the SSB. With the Sun's cycle of 27 days we have Hope."

Mike Treister, W9NY wrote, "Had such a marvelous time operating the CQ WW SSB contest just on 10 meters. Seems like at times the entire world was coming in at the same time, no matter which way my TH7 beam was pointed. I have not seen conditions this good on 10 meters in decades. Many stations around the world coming in to my northwest Indiana QTH S9 running only 10 watts. I noticed around sunset Saturday and Sunday signals from South American reaching me long path with my beam toward Japan, with that curious fluttering. Signals would be S9 long path and drop to S3-4 with my beam turned around to the south. Managed 1651 QSOs with 110 countries -- a real blast. Stations from the other side of the world such as India, Malaysia, Hong Kong, Taipei, all very clear and S9. I was running Japanese stations like they were next door. WOW. Hope these sunspots keep up for a while, and I am ready to check out 6 meters."

Peter Gambee, who I think may be K6TTD of Sacramento, California, wrote:

"Weren't some solar scientists saying that we had already passed the second peak of Cycle 24? Well, guess they blew that one.

"I've been licensed since the late 1970s, and have worked my share of DX as a novice during some decent solar cycles. Was QRT through most of Cycle 23, and during the first peak of the current cycle, so missed out on some decent DX.

"I was afraid I'd missed the boat on this cycle - until the end of September rolled around. During the past two weeks I've worked more DX, in more regions of the globe, than I have since I was first

licensed.

"In less than ten days I have logged over 50 DX contacts, on virtually every continent, most of them new ones for me.

"Here is one example of my recent stints on the air: BA8AG in Si Chiuan China, Z21DXI in Zimbabwe, ZS2I in South Africa, CN2PM in Morocco, YB9Y in Indonesia, DU3NQM in the Philippines - all in a single thirty minute stretch on October 23rd on 10 meter CW.

"Almost every pileup I dove into, I was successful on my first or second try. Lately, it has gone this way nearly every time I have sat down at the key and put out a call.

"My rig is an Elecraft K3-100, into a two element Yagi at 30 Feet. A decent setup, but no giant killer by any means. DXing ISN'T supposed to be this easy! I know I've been blessed by a sudden burst of sunspots, and big-time dumb luck. I'm thanking my lucky sunspots, knocking on wood and having an absolute BLAST.

"Assuming a decent response rate with my QSLs, I may be able to hit DXCC by the end of 2013.

"Here's hoping this 'second peak' holds out for another few months at least."

I felt comfortable guessing Peter's location by checking the FCC database because there are only a few hams named Gambee, but here is a report from Bob Foster. There are 40 licensees in the FCC database with that name, and actually I don't know what part of the world he is in. He sent this a week ago, plenty of time for me to find out what his callsign and location are, except I ran across his email just before filing this bulletin Friday morning.

Bob wrote, "On Sunday afternoon (10/20) I was able to work D44AC (Cape Verde) on 15M SSB. This type of a contact may be no big deal to the veteran, high powered DXers. However, I run a modest station: 70 W into a ground mounted Gap vertical. The fun thing about this Sun cycle is I have worked more African stations than ever before in my 43 year ham career. There also was far more CW and data activity heard on 10M than I recall for a long time.

"Hams with modest stations, do not be afraid to jump in when you hear DX. For whatever reason, I have been able to get through."

Thanks, Bob.

And for everyone who writes in, please let me know where you are located, and if you are a licensed ham, what your callsign is.

Scott Craig, WA4TTK of Nashville, Tennessee wrote a free program we have been using for many years to harvest the sunspot and solar flux numbers from this bulletin and display them in a Solar Data Plotting

Utility. You can download it, along with an updated data file here:

http://craigcentral.com/sol.asp

And finally, last week's bulletin was written aboard a Seattle to D.C. flight. This time, I am delayed in Olympia, Washington where I was attending an all night Halloween house party for dancers. Unfortunately, when I tried to leave around 3:00 AM, I found my clutch linkage had broken, so I came back to the house for internet access to finish the bulletin. The host said the best place to sit (not many power outlets in his old house) is at the edge of the dance floor. So here I am, pounding away on the laptop, feeling like a nerd and surrounded by dancers in a hot room with condensation dripping from the windows. I have my headphones on, so perhaps they think I am just planning the next DJ set.

If you would like to make a comment or have a tip for our readers, email the author at, k7ra@....

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service web page at, http://arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals. For an explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin, see http://arrl.org/the-sun-the-earth-the-ionosphere. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at http://arrl.org/w1aw-bulletins-archive-propagation. More good information and tutorials on propagation are at http://k9la.us/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://arrl.org/propagation.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of ARRL bulletins are at http://arrl.org/bulletins.

Sunspot numbers for October 24 through 30 were 148, 148, 171, 206, 155, 171, and 132, with a mean of 161.6. 10.7 cm flux was 160.6, 161.4, 165, 166.9, 159.9, 152.6, and 141.9, with a mean of 158.3. Estimated planetary A indices were 3, 3, 3, 3, 3, 6, and 12, with a mean of 4.7. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 2, 3, 3, 2, 2, 3, and 10, with a mean of 3.6.
NNNN
/EX

21801. Re: [DX-IS] Wake Is DXpedition

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-01 22:20:06 UTC
From: GARY HUBER
Topic: 21799 Message: 21801

They are on the ground,,,, arrived at 2011 UTC 01 NOV 13...

From: Bob KA9MOM
Sent: Friday, November 01, 2013 12:54 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] Wake Is DXpedition

http://uk.flightaware.com/live/flight/ATN470/history/20131101/1500Z/PHIK/PWAK

Flight tracking for the K9W Wake Island group.

21802. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-02 14:30:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21802

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:Issued: 2013 Nov 02 1248 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 31102
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 02 Nov 2013, 1211UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 02 Nov 2013 until 04 Nov 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 02 Nov 2013 10CM FLUX: 145 / AP: 006
PREDICTIONS FOR 03 Nov 2013 10CM FLUX: 145 / AP: 004
PREDICTIONS FOR 04 Nov 2013 10CM FLUX: 145 / AP: 005
COMMENT: The sun produced one M and three C flares during the past 24 hours.
Catania sunspot region 29 (NOAA AR 11884) was responsible for the M6.3
flare peaking at 19:46 UT on November 1. Also Catania sunspot region 28
(NOAA AR 11885) produced a C8.2 flare with a peak at 4:46 UT on November 2.
During the next 48 hours, more C flaring activity is expected with a
slight chance for an M flare. Two CMEs of which one full halo CME were
detected in coronographic imagery (LASCO/C2 as well as STEREO A and B), but
first analysis indicates both are backsided and originate from old NOAA AR
11875. The full halo CME was first seen in LASCO/C2 at 5:00 UT and the
second CME at 8:12 UT directed to the NW. Solar wind speed as observed
by ACE is around 350 km/s. The magnitude of the interplanetary magnetic
field (IMF) currently is stable near 5 nT. Geomagnetic activity is quiet
to unsettled (local K at Dourbes and NOAA Kp between 0 and 3), which is
expected to remain so within the next 48 hours.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 069, BASED ON 02 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 01 Nov 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 145
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 007
AK WINGST : 005
ESTIMATED AP : 004
ESTIMATED ISN : 085, BASED ON 13 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
01 1946 1953 1958 S11E01 M6.3 1B 290 29/1884
END
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21803. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-03 15:30:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21803

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:Issued: 2013 Nov 03 1234 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 31103
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 03 Nov 2013, 1211UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 03 Nov 2013 until 05 Nov 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Active (M-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 03 Nov 2013 10CM FLUX: 142 / AP: 009
PREDICTIONS FOR 04 Nov 2013 10CM FLUX: 148 / AP: 006
PREDICTIONS FOR 05 Nov 2013 10CM FLUX: 152 / AP: 007
COMMENT: The sun produced one M and six C flares during the past 24 hours. Catania
sunspot region 29 (NOAA AR 11884) was responsible for the M1.6 flare
peaking at 22:13 UT on November 2 and the M4.9 flare peaking at 5:16 UT on
November 3. Two C flares originated from new region NOAA AR 11890. During
the next 48 hours, more C flaring activity is expected with a chance for
an M flare. No Earth-directed CMEs were detected. The proton flux for
>10 MeV protons observed by GOES increased in the second half of November
2, but remained below the event threshold. A change in solar wind
parameters was observed from 22:00 UT on November 2; the solar wind speed
went to 400 km/s, while temperature also increased. Changes in magnetic
field and density were too small for a shock. The magnitude of the
interplanetary magnetic field (IMF) was maximally 7 nT and the Bz-
component was fluctuating between -5 and +5 nT. Geomagnetic activity is
quiet to unsettled (local K at Dourbes and NOAA Kp between 0 and 3),
which is expected to remain so within the next 48 hours. A small coronal
hole near +20 degrees latitude has reached the central meridian, which
might result in unsettled to active geomagnetic conditions from the end of
November 5 (UT time).
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 084, BASED ON 11 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 02 Nov 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 142
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 009
AK WINGST : 003
ESTIMATED AP : 003
ESTIMATED ISN : 077, BASED ON 08 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
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02 2213 2221 2225 S12W11 M1.6 1F 29/1884
03 0516 0522 0526 S12W16 M5.0 2B 29/1884
END
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21804. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1135

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-03 16:09:20 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 21804 Message: 21804

SB DX @ WW < KB8NW $OPDX.1135
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The Ohio/Penn DX PacketCluster
DX Bulletin No. 1135
BID: $OPDX.1135
November 4, 2013
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

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**** EDITOR'S COMMENT: If you were on Daylight Saving Time (DST), did you remember to turn your clock back an hour?
See below "Standard Time".

DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 27th-October, through Sunday, 3rd-November there were 256 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3B9, 3D2, 3D2/r, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5A, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5U, 5V, 5W, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7O, 7P, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9U, 9V, 9X, 9Y, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C2, C3, C5, C6, C9, CE, CE0Y, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E6, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FH, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FO/a, FP, FR, FS, FW, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HC8, HH, HI, HK, HK0/a, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J5, J6, J7, J8, JA, JD/m, JD/o, JT, JW, JX, JY, K, KH0, KH2, KH6, KH8, KH9, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ5, PJ7, PY, PY0F, PZ, S2, S5, S9, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T30, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TN, TR, TT, TU, TY, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V6, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK9N, VP2E, VP2M, VP2V, VP5, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VR, VU, XE, XT, XU, XW, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YJ, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, Z8, ZA, ZB, ZD7, ZD8, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS, ZS8

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

2014 PACIFIC TOUR (Early Announcement). Operators Stan/AC8W, Ted/K8AQM, Brian/KG8CO, Charles/KN8R and Lee/N8LJ plan to activate two islands next year. Callsigns and QSL routes are yet to be determined. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK. The scheduled islands are: Tonga (A3) - August 16-24th
Fiji (3D2) - August 25th and September 1st

3A, MONACO. Gil, F4FET, will be active as 3A/F4FET from November 11-12th. Activity will be on 40-10 meters using SSB. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

5H, TANZANIA (Op Cancelled). Operators Fred, IK7JWX , informs OPDX that his major IOTA DXpedition to the Island of Zanzibar scheduled for April of 2014 is now cancelled "due to technical and logistical constraints".

5J0, SAN ANDRES ISLAND. Members of the "DX Friends" are now active from an Andres Island (NA-033) as 5J0R until November 10th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. Suggested frequencies are listed in OPDX.1132. QSL via EA5RM direct (see Web page). You can use the OQRS (see Web page) for direct and Bureau cards. Visit their Web page at: http://www.dxfriends.com/SanAndres2013

5W, SAMOA. Hiro, JF1OCQ, will be active as 5W7X from Apia, capital of Samoa, between November 7-14th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via JF1OCQ, direct or by the Bureau (E-mail requests for Bureau QSLs can be sent to <jf1ocq@...>.

5Z, KENYA. Dani, EA4ATI, who was currently active as 5Z4T during the CQWW DX SSB Contest this past weekend, informs OPDX that he will be in Kenya for a couple more years and will be active as 5Z4/EA4ATI. He is using a Cobwebb antenna with a small amplifier and is active on 30/20/17/15/10 meters. He hopes to improve on his station and use the low bands in the future. His QSL Manager is EA4YK.

8P, BARBADOS. Operators Mike/KI1U (8P9IU), Mike/N1TA (8P9TA) and Bruce/K0BJ (8P9BJ) will be active from Barbados between December 9-16th. Their main activity will be the ARRL 10 meter Contest (December 14-15th) and will sign as 8P8T. QSL via KI1U. Prior to the contest, operators will be using their own callsigns.

9N, NEPAL. Toshi, JA8BMK, will once again be active as 9N7BM from Kathmandu and Nagalkot between November 8-28th. Activity will be holiday style on all HF bands using a FT-897D and IC-7000, Hex/Spider beam into a 600w amp. He states, "I will try to work USA on 80 and 160m if vertical antennas can be put up. QSL via JA8BMK, direct or by the Bureau.

AFRICAN TOUR. Carl, SM6CPY, will once again be active as 5H3CJ from Tanzania between November 6-12th and November 18-26th. Activity will be holiday style on most bands, but mostly CW on 20-10 meters listening up

25 kHz and operating with 100 watts, and possibly the lower bands depending on the antenna possibilities. Carl is also going to visit Rwanda during this period, and is expected to be active as 9X0PY between November 12-18th (tentative). His activity will be the same as his 9X operation. QSL both callsigns via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

AFRICAN TOUR. Mathias, DJ2HD, will once again be active as V5/DJ2HD from Namibia between December 14th and January 18th (2014). This is just one part of his 4x4 trip through different countries. Activity will be holiday style on SSB and RTTY, but will also include a SSB entry in the DARC 10m Contest (January 14th). During this time frame, Mathias will also travel to and be active once again as 7P8DJ from Lesotho between December 22-24th. There are also plans to be active from South Africa (as ZS/DJ2HD) and one more country to be announced later, but no scheduled days have been provided. QSL all callsigns via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

CARIBBEAN TOUR. Mike, DF8AN, will once again be active from the Caribbean. Activity will be during most of November. His scheduled operations and callsigns are as follows:
Antigua - V26MN between November 5-8th; IOTA NA-015;
WW. Grid FK97
Montserrat - VP2MMN between November 8-15th; IOTA NA-103;
WW. Grid FK86
St. Kitts & Nevis - V4/DF8AN between November 15-19th; IOTA NA-104
WW. Grid FK 87
Look for him to be on all HF bands, 160-6 meters. He operates mainly on CW using 100 watts using an Alinco DX70 into a long wire and dipole antennas. QSL via DF8AN, direct or by the QSL Bureau. ADDED NOTE FROM DF8AN: Mike informs OPDX readers [edited], "If anyone hears me on a frequency, and if anyone needs me on another frequency or mode, you can contact me via SMS (text message) on this cellular P H O N E N O.:
+491716232751
But please, no telephone calls. I will not answer any telephone call. If anyone wants a sked: send me a SMS with callsign and QRG and mode, and I will QSY if possible. But please accept that I am not on the air 24/7 around the clock. If you hear me (for example on 14 CW) and need me (for example on 18 SSB), send me SMS like this example: DL1ABC 18165. I will QSY as soon as possible to that new frequency. Please only short SMS. I have NO internet at my location and can NOT check my E-mails. I work only CW and SSB all bands include 6m. And PSE accept, that I am not there for amateur radio as a main reason. I work for the Civil Aviation Office and for that reason, I have to work some hours/day, hi... But if anyone hears me and needs me on another band - let me know."

CE0Y, EASTER ISLAND. Operators Jose/CE0HYO, Gustavo/CX2AM, Humberto/CX3AN, Gustavo/CX3CE, Mario/CX4CR, Gen/EA5HPX, Francisco/EA7FTR and Carlos/LU2NI are now active as XR0YY from Hanga Roa, Easter Island, until November 7th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. They have 3 stations operating simultaneously. QSL via EB7DX. There Web site is available at: http://easterisland2013.com

DXCC NEWS. Bill Moore, NC1L, ARRL Awards Branch Manager, reports that the following operations are approved for DXCC credit:
7O2A - Yemen; 2013 Operation
T6MH - Afghanistan; 2012 and 2013 Operations (*)

*Note: If anyone had this contact rejected in a recent submission send an E-mail to <bmoore@...> to be placed on the list for an update to your record. Please be sure to note the submission date to help expedite the search for this QSO.

EA8, CANARY ISLANDS. Operators Andrea/IK1PMR and YL Claudia/PA3LEO will once again be active as EA8/homecall from Tenerife Island (AF-004) between November 26th and January 7th (2014). Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via their home callsigns, by the Bureau, direct, or E-mail requests for Bureau cards. For more details and updates, see: http://www.ik1pmr.com

EF8, CANARY ISLANDS. Luis, EA8AY, will use the special callsign EF8USA from Tenerife Island (IOTA AF-004, DIE S-012, WLOTA 1276, EAA TF) during the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 15-16th) as a Single-Op/All-band entry. QSL via W2GR. Visit his Web site at: http://www.ea8ay.com/ef8x2

EY, TAJIKISTAN. Nodir, EY8MM, from Dushanbe, will be active during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (160m) entry. QSL K1BV via direct, by the Bureau or LoTW. Check out his home page at: http://www.ey8mm.com

FR/TO2, REUNION ISLANDS (Reminder). Stef, F5UOW, will once again be active from Reunion Island (AF-016). He will sign as FR/F5UOW between October 31st and November 21st, but between November 3-17th, he will sign TO2R. There is a report that Alain, F8FUA, is with him. Activity will be mostly CW between 40-10 meters. QSL via F5UOW, direct or by the Bureau.

GU, GUERNSEY (EU-114). Dick, GU4CHY, will be active during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (10m)/High-Power entry. Dick states, "Planning on 10m but will switch to 15m if conditions seem poor on 10." QSL via his home callsign, direct (preferred) or by the Bureau (long QRX).

GU, GUERNSEY. Bob, GU4YOX, will be active during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) as a Single-Op/High-Power/Non-Assisted entry. QSL via GU4YOX, direct or LoTW.

IA0, ANTARCTICA. Gianni, I1HYW, from <www.waponline.it> provided the following [edited]: Max, IA0MZ, did start as promise to be QRV from Mario Zucchelli Station-Antarctica (WAP ITA-01) on Sunday evening, Oct. 20th. He will be there until Feb. 2014. This morning (October 29th), Max sent a message to remind the chasers a few simple rules in order to avoid loss of precious time when he is operating HF. Max wrote: "On my second day on air, I have experienced huge pile up where unfortunately (as usual), people do not rule; all calling on everyone, many people do not even respond when I came back to their calls ... I hope that, after the first few days, things will became better, but please try to understand that

I cut hours of my sleeping time to be on for EU and please do not duplicate
the QSOs on the same band, leave everyone the chance to work MZS!
For the American friends; I'll be here until early February 2014, but
unfortunately the time between 22:00 and 02:00 UTC (that are 11:00-15:00
hrs local time here) is almost taboo for me. As you can imagine, that
falls in the middle of daily activity ... but it does not mean anything,
just a snowy day in that window will allow me to be on air even if for
half an hour or so. The advice as always, is to give an eye to the cluster,
to avoid throwing valuable time; I always use the spot quote It will not
be gallant, but I'm sure it will help the chasers..... 73 from IA0MZ,
Massimo DIPAOLA @ Mario Zucchelli Station, Terra Nova Bay Antarctica
(UTC+13) S 74°41.655' E 164°06.839'"
According to Max's QRZ.com page, activity will be on 20/17/15/12 meters
SSB ONLY. He prefers the following suggested frequencies: 14333, 18125,
21230 and 24940 kHz. Suggested times are usually between 1700-1900z and
occasional between 0900-1030z. He posts: "NO CW - NO DIGI - NO SPLIT -
NO FILTERS - NO REAL TIME LOG - NO SCHEDS. THIS IS NOT A DX-EXPEDITION
BUT MAINLY A SCIENTIFIC EXPEDITION." QSL via IW0EFA, by the Bureau or
direct to: Gian Paolo Volpato, via Piave, 13 - 01100, Viterbo, Itlay.
Log will be uploaded to LoTW after his return to Italy. He does have a
FaceBook page at: https://www.facebook.com/II0MZ

IOTA NEWS.............
NA-189. Operators Benjamín/XE2AU, Juán Manue/XE2AI, Ismael/XE1AY,
Jorge/XE2AMS, Juán/XE2AY, David/XE1REW, Gustavo/XE1KKK and
Enrique/XE2AA will be active as XF1T from Cocinas Island
between March 14-17th, 2014. QSL via IT9EJW. An OQRS and
log search will be available on ClubLog after the DXpedition.

OC-109/ (Postponed/Update) John, YB5NOF, informs OPDX that the reason
OC-122/ for the postponement of OC-109 and OC-122, is the bad weather
OC-209/ conditions until January 2014 and no transportation to go there.
OC-210. He did mention that before OC-109 and OC-122, he will try to
activate Talaud Island (OC-209) and Sangihe Island (OC-210),
especially to Miangas on the borders of North Celebes, with
Ronny/YC8TXW and Jusuf/YC8TZR in May of 2014. Stay tuned for
updates! These operations will count towards the Nusantara
Indonesian Island Award: http://www.nusantaraaward.com
http://www.facebook.com/nusantaraaward

OC-157. (Update/Callsign) A team of 8 operators will be active as
YB8V from the rare Banda Besar Island between November 10-15th.
Activity will be on 40-10 meters using CW and SSB. The operators
mentioned are Joppy/YB8XM (Team Leader), Marthin/YB8VM, Danny/
YC8VDT, Richard/YD8VSR, Agustinus/YD8VRA, G. Saiya/YD8VRS,
Fransicus/YC8VFB and Robert/YC0MVP. Look for more details to
be forthcoming. Watch the following Blog page for updates at:
http://oc157.blogspot.co.uk

OC-262. As this is being typed, Budi, YF1AR, is expected to be active
as YF1AR/4 from Sebesi Island between November 1-5th. Activity

will be on 40-10 meters using mainly SSB, but some CW and
Digital modes. QSL via N2OO (see QRZ.com). For more details
and updates, see:
http://www.yf1ar.com/2013/10/yf1ar4-oc-262-sebesi-island.html

J6, ST. LUCIA (Press Release: 5th St. Lucia Buddies in the Caribbean
Suitcase DXpedition): "Travel plans are set for the fifth 'Buddies in the
Caribbean' (BIC) mini-DXpedition to St Lucia (J6). Eight operators, some
of whom have never experienced the 'other side' of a pileup, will be
operating from Chateau Devaux on the NE side of St. Lucia from December
1st through 9th, 2013.
This 'Suitcase DXpedition' will operate QRP to 100-watt radio stations
using backpackable Buddipole antennas to make contacts from the villa,
the surrounding mountains, and (of course) from St. Lucia's superb beaches.
The eight operators are Jerry/N9AW, Craig/NM4T, John/W5EXJ, Joe/K3JDB,
Rick/AA4W, Jim/W4QO, Chris/W6HFP, and Budd/W3FF (J68FF). Ops will preface
their own calls with 'J6/'.
Team members will operate several CW, SSB, and/or Digital Mode stations
on 160-10 meters from the villa while others make contacts with portable
set-ups from other J6 locations.
Per tradition, meeting and operating with local hams while on J6 is one
of our key goals.
QSO confirmation and QSLs will be available via LOTW, bureau or direct
via information on each operator's www.QRZ.com page."

J7, DOMINICA (Update/Change). Operators Charlie/K1XX, George/K5KG, Jim/
WI9WI and Gus/VO1MP will be active as J79XX, J75KG, J79WI and J79MP,
respectively, from Dominica (NA-101) between November 16-25th. The group
plans to also be in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) signing
J73A as a Multi-2 entry. Activity outside of the contest will be primarily
CW, with some time devoted to SSB and RTTY. QSL J75KG via K5KG, J79XX via
K1XX, J79WI via WI9WI, J79MP via VO1MP and J73A via WI9WI all with a
SASE only. NO Bureau QSLs.

J8, ST. VINCENT. Gerd, DL7VOG, will be active as J87GU from Union Island
(NA-025) between November 2-27th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using
CW and RTTY (He states, "I will carry a microphone for 'emergency cases'
... If you need SSB let me know..." Gerd will be active in the Worked
All Europe (WAE) RTTY Contest (November 9-10th) and CQWW DX CW Contests
(November 23-24th). He will use an IC-706MK2G into an HF9VX for 80-6m
and an Inverted-L (15m fiberglass pole) for 160m. Gerd will also carry
a 500w amp. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau. An OQRS
is also available on ClubLog for both Bureau and direct cards. For more
details and updates, see: http://www.dl7vog.de/index.html

JT50, MONGOLIA (Special Event). Look for special event station JT50SSB
to be active to celebrate the 50th anniversary for the first SSB QSO on
the amateur radio band from Mongolia. A Russian amateur radio operator
named Vladimir Vasilievich Belousov operated on the SSB mode from Mongolia
for the very frist time in 1963. Operators mentioned are Baatar/JT1BB,
Baldan/JT1BO, Bat-Erdene/JT1CS, Enkhbayar/JT1DA and Andrey Vladimirovich

Belousov/UA3ABR, son of Vladimir Vasilievich Belousov. Activity will be on the HF bands. QSL via UA3ABR.

KH2/NH2, GUAM. Dave, N2NL, will once again be active as NH2T from Guam (OC-026) during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) as a Single-Op/ All-Band/High-Power entry. Dave will be active (outside of contests) as KH2/N2NL and during all contests as NH2T. During the summer of 2013, Dave moved to a new hilltop QTH and continues to be active on 160-6 meters. He will be departing Guam in June 2014. QSL via LoTW or via W2YC. For more information, including a station description, you can visit his Blog Page at: http://www.n2nl.net

KH8 & 5W, AMERICAN SAMOA AND SAMOA. (Update to OPDX.1110/1114/1116). Operators John/9M6XRO, Aki/ZL1GO (JE4EKO), Masahiro/JH3PRR, Kip/W6SZN and Jacky/ZL3CW (F2CW/WE3B) will be active using the special event callsign W8A from the Turtle and Shark Lodge, Village of Vaitogi, on the southeast coast of Tutuila Island (OC-045, USI AS007S, WLOTA 4385) between November 12-22nd. QSL via ZL3CW. Activity will be on 160-10 meters with a significant effort on 160 meters and a focus on Europe for the high bands. CW will be the primary mode with some SSB and RTTY possible. Suggested frequencies are:
CW - 1811.5, 1821.5 (NA), 3512, 7016, 10116, 14035, 18092, 21035, 24907 and 28035 kHz
SSB - 1848, 3795 (NA), 3803, 7078/7167, 14210, 18165, 21295, 24975 and 28495 kHz
RTTY - 3525 (JA), 3582, 7043, 10132, 14092, 18108, 21092, 24928 and 28092 kHz
** See special notes on the Web page.....
Their location will be well south of Pago Pago to limit mountain low angle blockage. The callsign N8A will be used during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) as a Multi-2 entry. QSL route will also be ZL3CW. Four of the five operators plan to be active as 5W8A from Samoa after their activities on American Samoa between November 27th and December 2nd. Operators mentioned are 9M6XRO, W6SZN, ZL1GO and ZL3CW. QSL route is also ZL3CW. For more details and updates, watch the N8A Web page at:
http://www.n8a.eu
Also, watch their FaceBook page at:
https://www.facebook.com/N8a2013AmericanDXpedition

KH9, WAKE ISLAND. If you missed Specila Bulletin OPDX.1134.1, the "K9W Wake Atoll Commemorative DXpedition" has been rescheduled and should be on the air as you read this. Operation is scheduled to last until November 15th (Wake Island time). Suggested frequencies are:
CW - 1826.5, 3523, 5405, 7023, 10103, 14023, 18079, 21023, 24894 and 28023
SSB - 3790, 5403.5, 7082, 14185, 18140, 21285, 24955 and 28485
RTTY - 3580, 7035, 10142, 14080,18099, 21080, 24912 and 28080 kHz
6M - 50107/CW and 50107/SSB

An OQRS will be available by ClubLog (Highly Recommended). This is the preferred method to use for your QSL confirmation. After the DXpedition ends you can order either a direct or Bureau QSL card using the OQRS

online QSL service provided by ClubLog. For sending direct QSL requests, the mailing address is: Wake Island DXpedition, P.O. Box 5005, Lake Wylie, SC 29710 USA (See detail on their Web page). QSLing by the Bureau is via AA4NN. Logs will be posted on LoTW 6 months after the conclusion of the DXpedition. NO eQSL. For more details and updates, visit the K9W Web page at: http://www.wake2013.org

NP4, PUERTO RICO. Alfredo (Al), WP3C, will be active as NP4A during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (80m) entry. QSL via W3HNK.

OH0, ALAND ISLAND. Operator Tomi, OH6EI, will once again be active as OH0Z during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) as a Single-Op/ All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via W0MM.

PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (November 4-10th)....
Nov/04th HN Nov/07th AN Nov/09th AN
Nov/05th LN Nov/08th AN Nov/10th HN
Nov/06th AN

SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS/INDEXES AND GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE
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NORMALITY GEOMAG K Values Alpha
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AN - Above Normal Quiet K=0-1 0-7
HN - High Normal Unsettled K=2 8-15
LN - Low Normal Active K=3 16-29
BN - Below Normal Minor Storm K=4 30-49
DIS - Disturbed Major Storm K=5 50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed Severe Storm K=6-9 100-400

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (November 3rd)

3D2KV via DL6KVA HB0/HB9LCW via HB9LCW SX1DX via SV1JG
5J0R via EA5RM HB9/IK7YCE via IK7YCE UN9GD via DL8KAC
5T0JL via ON8RA IA0MZ via IW0EFA UP0L via DL8KAC
5X1NH via G3RWF LZ1520YYD via LZ1KCP ZL3X via ZL3PAH
8P9NX via W3HNK (d)/W0SA (B) OQ4CLM via ON3AIM ZP9MCE via EA5ZD
HA150GG via HA6FQ (d) SJ2W via SM2LIY (d) ZS1/RD3MX via RD3MX
(e) eQSL only (d) direct only (B) Bureau only (L) LoTW only

EA6/S53R QSLS. Ralph, K2PF, will handle QSLs for recent operation of EA6/S53R. Direct requests only. Log is on LoTW.

NEW QSL MANAGER. Alan, 5B4AHJ, informs that M0URX has taken over the QSL duties for 5B4AHJ and P3J. However, Alan states that he will continue to manage QSLs for the older callsigns: 5B50J, 5B/G3PMR, G3PMR & others. ADDED NOTE FROM ALAN: "May I remind your readers that a large number of Cyprus stations have QSL Mangers outside Cyprus. The CARS QSL Bureau cannot deliver QSLs to these stations. Please ensure that the QSL Manager's callsign is written prominently on the card. Many cards are

received from bureau with the correct manager, but the cards still get delivered to CARS because the manager's call is not prominent. The following page lists the Cyprus stations that have managers outside Cyprus <http://www.cyhams.org/index.php/en/cars-services/qsl-bureau-service/141-incoming-qsl-cards-foreign-amateurs-a-qsl-bureaux>.
Thanks! 73 Alan, 5B4AHJ"

NOT THE QSL MANAGER/ROUTE. Petr, OK1DOT, announced last week that RW6HS is not the QSL Manager for the following DX stations. Some stations do not exist or have other QSL Managers or the the station does not even know that their callsign is listed on the RW6HS Web site! Petr has contacted the below stations and their response was surprising: their QSL cards can be handled by themselves; My QSL Manager is not RW6HS! This information was gathered from QRZ.com and DX bulletins. Here is the list of stations: 4X0F, CE2EZE, CT1JSP, EA8/W4OI, EW1AR, JX7DFA, KP3EM, OD5NO, PR7CPK, SQ5OZH, TA1AZ, VK4SJP, VU2UR, YV5DEH and ZB2FK.

OLD QSL COLLECTION (Update). Jean Michel, F6AJA, wants to remind everyone to visit the Les Nouvelles DX (LNDX) Web page to see more than 11500 old QSL cards in several different albums/galleries. This site contains:
- The ten most wanted DXCC entities (2004 to 2012) with more than 300 QSLs
- At least one card for each 60 deleted DXCC countries (more than 1500+ QSLs)
- Nearest the totality of current prefixes, disappeared now (more than 4000+ QSLs)
- Album for stations from North Africa 1945-1962 (400+ QSLs)
- More than 900 QSLs from the Antarctic bases.
- Nearly 270 QSLs from the TAAF (Terres Australes and Antarctiques Francaises).
- More than 400 QSLs for the rare French Pacific Islands such as FK/C, FO/C, FO/A, FO/M, FO/C and FW
- Nearly 100 cards from Eparses Islands such as FR/B/E/G/J/T
- The FG, FM, FP, FS, FY stations from 1945 to 1969
- More than 1500 cards for the old timer with more than 130 countries before 1945.
- Cards from the French Department before 1945.
- At least one card from each of the states in the U.S. before 1945.

The URL address for the Web site is: http://LesNouvellesDX.free.fr
Some cards are still needed for the collection, and your participation is welcome. Please visit their site and give them your comments by sending an E-mail to: LesNouvellesDX@...

QSL 7O2A via UA3DX. Dima, RA9USU, was active from Socotra Island, Yemen, during the CQWW DX SSB Contest last weekend.

QSL B9/BY9GA via BA1DU for this past operation. B9/BY9GA has a log search on ClubLog and an OQRS system in place.

QSL STATUS. Fred, IK7JWX, informs OPDX that 90% of the QSLs from the following Italian places and operations have been sent via the Bureau. He states, "Knowing the long delays of the bureau, I am sure that you have already received these QSLs from 2008 to 2012: IQ7AF, IQ7AF/P, IK7JWX, IK7JWX/P, IP7W, IP7W/P, IR7ITA, IR7ITA/P, IO7DAI/P, IR7WFF/P, IE9/IQ7AF, and also for ZA0/IK7JWX, 5C2J, 5C2J/P, TS8P and PR2I. Therefore, if some QSLs have not arrived yet, send me an E-mail with all the data of QSO(s) and I will send a second QSL." Fred's E-mail address is: ik7jwx2003@...

QSL T30FL via AA4FL. This was the T33A team active from Betio, Tarawa, Republic of Kiribati.

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 4O/UA3RF/P, 5M2TT, 9G5TT, 9L1X, 9Y4D, AL1G, CE1UGE, CX9AU, EA6NB, FM5CD, IB9T, JA1YPA, JA2FSM, JA9APS, JH6UYB, JK1UVP, PA7JWC, PJ2T, PJ2/W5BOS, SM5CKV/P, TF2LL, TK5EP, TO2TT, TO5FM, TU2T, TX5D, VA7ST, VE3NLS, VE8EV, VU2NKS, YL2KF, YQ6A, ZL1BYZ and ZM4M

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 7O6T, A34JP/H, CE3/UA4WHX, CP4BT, CT9/DJ8OG, HB0/DL2SBY, LU/UA4WHX, OA4/UA4WHX, OP2A, SU9VB, T8GM, UA4WHX/CX, V6G, ZA/UA4WHX and ZB2CN

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 4K9W, 5H3ME, 9Y4/DL7VOG, A35YZ, A6/DL9WVM, CG200I, CR3L, CT9/DK7YY, H44MS, JG8NQJ/JD1, PJ5/DL7VOG, SU1KM, TO7BC, V5/DK1CE, VU2HBC, XL2I, XM2I and ZK2C

S2, BANGLADESH (Update to OPDX.1117/1118/1131/1133 - Press Release #5). Project 2013 by the Mediterraneo DX Club (MDXC) announced October 29th, that the team will use the S21ZBB callsign during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) as a Multi-2 entry.

STANDARD TIME. Did you remember to change your clocks? Countries who observe Daylight Saving Time (DST), which took place on Sunday, March 10th, are now expected to move their "local clocks" backward 1 hour on Sunday, November 3rd, from 2:00 AM local time to 1:00 AM. In 2014, Daylight Saving Time (DST) will again go into effect on Sunday, March 9th, at 2:00 AM local time. For the history and details about ST and DST, as well as an interesting map of the world (showing the countries who observe DST), see: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Standard_time
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Daylight_saving_time
ADDED NOTE: Hopefully, all amateur radio operators know not to change their GMT/UTC/ZULU clocks. However, since most operators usually set their computers to local time, some may have to change their settings on "some" ham radio software (ex. logging, propagation, DXTelnet, etc..) programs.

T33, BANABA ISLAND (Reminder). The T33A DXpedition to Banaba Island (OC-018) is expected to be active this week between November 5-18th. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. They will have six stations on the air at two different sites. A OQRS by ClubLog will be available and will be the preferred method to use for your QSL confirmation. Logs will be posted to Logbook Of The World (LoTW) approximately 6 months after the conclusion of the DXpedition. Direct QSLs are via W2IJ. QSLs will also be available direct by the Bureau. For

more details, visit the T33A Web page at: http://www.t33a.com/index.htm
The T33A DXpedition's Blog page is at: http://banaba2013.wordpress.com
Also, the T33A team will be using DXA interface for their operation. DXA is an innovative Web site that allows DXers to view the status and activities of a DXpedition in near-real-time. Within a few minutes after making a contact with the DXpedition, the DXer is able to see a graphical listing of their contact. The DXA Web page for the T33A operation is located at: http://dxa2.org/t33a
ADDED NOTE: For one day only, on November 18th, look for David, N1EMC (Co-leader), to be active from Banaba Island as T33X. QSL via N1EMC direct.

UI2, KALININGRAD. Igor, UA2FZ, will be active as UI2K during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 29-30th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via UA2FZ.

UP44, KAZAKHSTAN. Members of the "Kazakhstan Traveling Radio Amateurs Group", plan to activate the following references as UP44WFF between November 9-10th:
WFF/UNFF-030 - State natural Park «Medeo»
WMA/UNM-013 ☐ Moutain Makhnatka (2280m - Medeo) (New One)
WRA/UNR-048 - River Malaya Almatinka
KDA-G-06 - Medeo District
WW Loc. - MN83MD
Operators mentioned are Sergey/UN6GAO, Viktor/UN7GIT, Arthur/UN6QC and some young radio amateurs. Activity will be on 40m (7060-7100 kHz), 20m (14140-14180 & 14244 kHz), 15m (21200-21244 kHz) and 10m (28450-28540 kHz) +/- QRM. Modes will be CW and SSB, using a Kenwood TS-2000 and TS-590 into a multi-band Delta M0PLK (20-10m) and an Inv. Vee (40-10m). QSL via LoTW, by the Bureau, direct and <http://eqsl.kz/>. More details and info about diplomas are available at:
http://www.qrz.kz (RUS)
http://un-dx-news.ucoz.com/index/new_expedition/0-5 (ENG)

VK0H, HEARD ISLAND. It has been reported [on the Web page below] that the 2015 Cordell Heard Island Expedition Project's restructuring has been completed as of October 15th, and is grouped into three broad groups: Mountain Science, Environmental Science and Communication Science. A document, "HD_2015_Research_Program", has been completed describing the proposed projects for a 2015 expedition to Heard Island. The document will be released on 15th Nov. 2013. The Expedition's Organizer/Leader Dr. Robert Schmieder, KK6EK, will visit the Australian Antarctic Division (AAD) in Hobart, Tasmania, during Nov. 4-14th, to discuss the expedition, the scientific projects, and arrangements for transportation and onsite support. The goal is a collaborative effort between the AAD, Cordell Expeditions, and other institutions that have expressed interest in participating. For further information, please contact Dr. Schmieder at <schmieder@...>, and visit the expedition's Web site at:
http://www.heardisland.org

VU7, LAKSHADWEEP ISLANDS. Operators Aravind/VU2ABS (RTTY/CW), Deepak/VU2CDP (CW/SSB), Nandu/VU2NKS (RTTY), Basappa/VU2NXM (CW/SSB), Pai/VU2PAI (CW/SSB), Chandra/VU2RCT (SSB), YL Raji/VU3CHM (SSB), Chetan/VU3DMP (SSB) and Krish/W4VKU (Organizer - SSB/RTTY) have just been granted by the Ministry of Telecommunications & IT, Government of India, to activate Laccadive (Lakshadweep) Islands sometime between November 20th and December 10th. Exact dates are to be confirmed soon. The team plans to be active from Agatti Island (AS-011) with the callsign VU7AG. Given the short notice, the team is working hard in getting things organized and is looking to be active for at least fourteen days. The team would be operational in batches with three high power stations running CW, SSB and RTTY. Suggested frequencies are:
CW - 1812, 3512, 7012, 10112, 14012, 18082, 21012, 24902 and 28012 kHz
SSB - 7095, 14180, 18155, 21280, 24955 and 28480 kHz
RTTY - 7032, 10142, 14082, 18092, 21092, 24922 and 28092 kHz

SPECIAL NOTES:
* The VU band allocation in the 80m phone segment is very, very narrow. It was therefore decided by the team that there would be no 80m SSB operation.
** On 20m, they will listen higher up in the band. Especially while working General class hams in the U.S.

Another callsign has been issued for demonstration purposes on Kavaratti Island □ VU7KA. This would be used only briefly when team members make presentations to the local administration in Kavaratti and educate them on amateur radio. QSL Manager is Krish, W4VKU, direct or by the Bureau (see details on the Web page). An Online QSL Request System (OQRS) will be available for all your QSL requests. OQRS will be enabled soon after the expedition. For Logbook of The World (LoTW): QSOs would be uploaded to LoTW in approximately 6 months time. The following Web page has been setup, and contains bios of operators, QSL details, frequencies and a survey. Visit the VU7AG page at: http://www.vu7ag.info

XV2V40J, VIETNAM (Special Event). Operators Shim/JF1HJZ (XV3AA), Shoji/JA2TXR, Tack/JA3NHL, Ishida/JA4AGA, Takehara/JA6CNH, Megumu/JA6QGF and Hisao/JA8NF will activate special event callsign XV2V40J between now and November 24th. Activity is to commemoration 40 years of the Japan-Vietnam establishment of diplomatic relations. QSL via JF1HJZ.

XZ, MYANMAR (The third and final round of Myanmar 2013). Zorro, JH1AJT, and a group of operators will be on the air from Nay Pyi Taw again between November 15-26th. This will be the third and final run for 2013 from XZ-land. Proposed callsign is XZ1J this time, and they plan to set up three to four stations, run 24/7 on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB, and RTTY. Operators mentioned are Zorro/JH1AJT, Franz/DJ9ZB, JC/E20NKB, Champ/E21EIC, Katsu/JA1DXA, Jay/JA1TRC, David/K3LP, Paul/N6PSE, Peter/PP5XX, Rafael/PY2NDX and Kazu/VR2KF. QSL: OQRS preferable.

LATEST NEWS FROM KOSOVO, Z60A AND ALBANIA, ZA. Jarmo, OH2BN, sent out the following press release on November 1st [edited]: "During the recent CQWW activation of Kosovo, a project to activate neighboring Albania was

agreed jointly by members of SHRAK, Kosovo's Amateur Radio Association (Z60A) and Radio Arcala (OH8X) of Finland.
The team will be headed by Fehmi Bojniku/Z62FB and Martti Laine/OH2BH. They are seeking additional team members from USA and Japan. The operating location will be the coastal city of Durres - only a 3-hour drive from Kosovo's capital Pristina.
To simulate the upcoming ZA expedition, the Kosovo team will fire up Z60A for the first time this coming Friday (November 1) until Sunday (November 3) on the following SSB frequencies: 14210, 21310 and 28510 kHz, operating split frequency when needed. Special emphasis will be given to Japan and USA, with superb radio conditions hopefully lasting for this weekend.
The following persons - Vjollca/Z61VB, Driton/Z61DX and Fehmi/Z62FB - are heading the operations with their new hams participating. A special QSL card can be obtained via OH2BH.
This activity is supported by Emerald Hotel, Pristina.
<www.emeraldhotel.info/>
While Kosovo is expected to qualify for DXCC credit some time soon, Albania counts now and is still semi-rare on several bands.
In the recent CQWW SSB Contest, as many as four (4) Z6 stations partic-ipated in the event and their QSOs will soon be uploaded to LoTW."

ZD9, GOUGH ISLAND. Bani, ZS1BM, is expected to soon be active as ZD9G from Gough Island until August 2014. QSL via ZS1HF strictly: Pierre Tromp, P. O Box 151, Worcester 6849, South Africa. Watch QRZ.com for updates.

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** IMPORTANT NOTICE/REMINDER ** The Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin now has a new FAX number. Contributors can now send/fax their DX information to the following number: 1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)
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Subscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=subscribe>
Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=unsubscribe>
OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):
http://www.papays.com/opdx.html
ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB PAGES AT:
http://www.nodxa.org
http://www.facebook.com/NorthernOhioDxAssociation

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21805. DX Summit Snoops

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-04 01:46:49 UTC
From: Nelson Moyer
Topic: 21805 Message: 21805

I did an Amazon search for a product yesterday, and today an Amazon splash advertisement came up on DX Summit with the product I had researched. The product had nothing to do with amateur radio, since it is a toy I was considering for my grandson, and the splash ad is obviously targeted at me. Apparently, Google isn't the only BIG BROTHER snooping web searches. DX Summit is in cahoots with Amazon and who knows who else, to monitor our web searches and sell out callsigns. Nothing is private anymore. They have linked my name from Amazon to my callsign on DX Summit, and targeted with a splash ad. I guess I'll have to go back to the local packet cluster for DX spots. What a disappointment that a non-pecuniary rule doesn't apply to amateur radio activities in Finland. Think about this the next time you bring up DX Summit on your web browser.

Nelson, KU0A

21806. Re: [DX-IS] DX Summit Snoops

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-04 01:48:02 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 21805 Message: 21806

Are there still RF based packet clusters? If so, I would take it yours would be associated with the EIDXA.

73 John AF5CC

----- Original Message -----
From: Nelson Moyer
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, November 04, 2013 1:46 AM
Subject: [DX-IS] DX Summit Snoops

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21807. RE: [DX-IS] DX Summit Snoops

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-04 02:03:00 UTC
From: Dan Violette
Topic: 21805 Message: 21807

Many websites do this. They get paid to have those advertisements so you do not have to pay (or not as much). You will see recommendations based upon that search on various sites. I am still seeing one from about 3 weeks ago for the products, accessories for the product (assuming I bought it), etc.
Dan KI6X

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Nelson Moyer
Sent: Sunday, November 03, 2013 5:47 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] DX Summit Snoops

I did an Amazon search for a product yesterday, and today an Amazon splash advertisement came up on DX Summit with the product I had researched. The product had nothing to do with amateur radio, since it is a toy I was considering for my grandson, and the splash ad is obviously targeted at me. Apparently, Google isn't the only BIG BROTHER snooping web searches. DX Summit is in cahoots with Amazon and who knows who else, to monitor our web searches and sell out callsigns. Nothing is private anymore. They have linked my name from Amazon to my callsign on DX Summit, and targeted with a splash ad. I guess I'll have to go back to the local packet cluster for DX spots. What a disappointment that a non-pecuniary rule doesn't apply to amateur radio activities in Finland. Think about this the next time you bring up DX Summit on your web browser.

Nelson, KU0A

21808. Re: [DX-IS] DX Summit Snoops

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-04 03:18:58 UTC
From: iain macdonnell - N6ML
Topic: 21805 Message: 21808

The FCC rule about pecuniary interest pertains specifically to
amateur-operator-to-amateur-operator communication - it has nothing to
do with websites.

If you don't like to see the ads, I suggest you install AdBlock Plus -
https://adblockplus.org/

If you don't like Amazon recording your interests, don't shop at Amazon :)

73,

~iain / N6ML

On Sun, Nov 3, 2013 at 5:46 PM, Nelson Moyer <ku0a@...> wrote:
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21809. Re: [DX-IS] DX Summit Snoops

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-04 13:30:48 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 21805 Message: 21809

On 11/3/2013 11:18 PM, iain macdonnell - N6ML wrote:
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Use a telnet client to connect to a traditional DX Cluster. There are dozens of them here:

http://www.dxcluster.info/telnet/index.php

May I suggest VE1DXI (ve1dxi.no-ip.ca:23) or VE7CC-1 (ve7cc.net:23)
. . . if you want a good telnet client try CC User:

http://www.ve7cc.net/

If you want a full featured DXing suite, try DX Labs:

http://www.dxlabsuite.com/

All of the software mentioned above is written by Hams, is advertisement free and it costs nothing!

73, Paul VE1DX

21810. Snooping

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-04 14:27:28 UTC
From: dale cole
Topic: 21810 Message: 21810

Read the terms of service that you agreed to when you us yahoo. Gives them a right to follow every site you follow. On occasion i visit eBay. Can't get rid of them for at least 3 three weeks.....direct mail to my in-box. These "hits" do pay the bills, so we can enjoy the dx summit, and our groups. It's just something we have to put up with. I used to get lot's of ads for IE9......upgraded and they are now gone.

21811. OOP

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-04 14:28:46 UTC
From: dale cole
Topic: 21811 Message: 21811

sorry about that post--did not sign--
Dale K8TS

21812. Re: [DX-IS] Snooping

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-04 14:35:27 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 21810 Message: 21812

On 11/4/2013 10:27 AM, dale cole wrote:
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Use FireFox and Adblock Plus:

https://addons.mozilla.org/en-US/firefox/addon/adblock-plus/

But . . . be careful what you say on the Internet because it is ALL recorded somewhere by someone. I doubt if it is ever deleted. 5 years from now, someone might "remind" you of what you said in a casual conversation. That's the new reality (actually it's not new . . . we are just finding out how extensive it has been by every organization world wide.) :-(

The above paragraph could be considered political, but I assure all reading this it is not. All governments and large businesses snoop on our Internet traffic. A pox on ALL their houses! :-)

73, Paul VE1DX

21813. Re: [DX-IS] DX Summit Snoops

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-04 14:44:08 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 21805 Message: 21813

In the USA, the making money part refers to on-air activities. We are not to make any money for on-air activities. Otherwise, no one could make any equipment for radio amateurs and sell it to radio amateurs. That wouldn't make sense.

73, Zack W9SZ

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21814. Re: [DX-IS] DX Summit Snoops

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-04 14:58:26 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 21805 Message: 21814

On 11/4/2013 10:44 AM, Zack Widup wrote:
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> not to make any money for on-air activities. Otherwise, no one could
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Same here. 20+ years ago if your XYL asked you to pick up a pizza on the way home (on a 2M repeater), everyone went berserk! Now you can tell them the name of the store, the price, and say you really like the special and everyone should buy there . . . no one cares. It's still illegal here in Canada, but there ain't anyone inside or outside the government able or willing to enforce Ham radio laws.

Sometimes I rack my brain trying to think how I could get in trouble . . . seems to me I can do anything as long as I stay within the Ham bands. Curse, swear, transmit oddball modes in the wrong sub-band, run 10KW, broadcast my political views, set up a swap-shop on 20M and say 50 KHz instead of $50, intentionally jam others for years, etc. Try to set up a net on top of the SSTV guys for fun. Sound silly? Tune across 20M and see . . .

73, Paul VE1DX

21815. Re: [DX-IS] Snooping

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-04 15:24:06 UTC
From: GARY HUBER
Topic: 21810 Message: 21815

One way to reduce the impact of those who snoop in your cookie jar, is to delete cookies after each internet session or after visiting each site (better). A junk folder for mail from those NOT in your contact list also helps.

73 ES DX,
Gary -- AB9M

From: dale cole
Sent: Monday, November 04, 2013 8:27 AM
To: dx-is@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] Snooping

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21816. Re: [DX-IS] DX Summit Snoops

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-04 15:24:28 UTC
From: dale cole
Topic: 21805 Message: 21816

As has been said, whatever you say on the inter-net, is just about fair game. My employer watches facebook and twitter. Post negative comment on the company...and well, it does not take a brain scientist to figure the possible consices.
Dale K8TS

From: Paul M Dunphy <list_dx@...>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, November 4, 2013 9:58 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] DX Summit Snoops

On 11/4/2013 10:44 AM, Zack Widup wrote:
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21817. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-04 15:30:02 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21817

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:Issued: 2013 Nov 04 1152 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 31104
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 04 Nov 2013, 1111UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 04 Nov 2013 until 06 Nov 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Active (M-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 04 Nov 2013 10CM FLUX: 146 / AP: 008
PREDICTIONS FOR 05 Nov 2013 10CM FLUX: 148 / AP: 002
PREDICTIONS FOR 06 Nov 2013 10CM FLUX: 150 / AP: 004
COMMENT: Seven active regions were reported by NOAA today. Two of them (NOAA ARs
1884 and 1890) have beta-gamma configuration of the photospheric magnetic
field. NOAA AR 1884 (Catania number 29) somewhat decayed, although it still
may produce M-class flares. NOAA AR 1890 (no Catania number yet) has now
fully appeared from behind the east limb and may produce M-class flares as
well. Strong magnetic flux emergence in the NOAA AR 1887 (Catania number
30) will probably lead to increased flaring activity in this region,
although it still keeps beta configuration of the photospheric magnetic
field. M-class flares in this region are possible but still unlikely. Two
C-class flares were detected on the Sun in the past 24 hours, the strongest
one being the C9.9 flare peaking at 16:28 UT on November 3 in the NOAA AR
1890. The Earth is currently inside a slow (around 370 km/s) solar wind
flow with slightly elevated (around 6 nT) interplanetary magnetic field
magnitude. The geomagnetic conditions are quiet and are expected to remain
so.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 090, BASED ON 09 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 03 Nov 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 144
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 010
AK WINGST : 009
ESTIMATED AP : 009
ESTIMATED ISN : 088, BASED ON 18 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21818. 5J0R - K9W QRG conflict

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-05 11:24:34 UTC
From: Frank T Brady
Topic: 21818 Message: 21818

This can't be a coincidence - what's up with 5J0R on top of K9W on every band I've been able to hear them?
73 frank w0ecs

21819. RE: [DX-IS] 5J0R - K9W QRG conflict

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-05 12:42:10 UTC
From: KQ8M
Topic: 21818 Message: 21819

Actually, yesterday 5J0R was on 24894 for hours before K9W. Please don't blame the expedition you don't need for something the one
you do need did.

73,

Tim Herrick, KQ8M

Charter Member North Coast Contesters

kq8m@...

AR-Cluster V6 kq8m.no-ip.org

User Ports: 23, 7373 with local skimmer, 7374 without local skimmer

Server Ports: V6 3607, V4 Active 3605, V4 Passive 3606

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Frank T Brady
Sent: Tuesday, November 05, 2013 6:25 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] 5J0R - K9W QRG conflict

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band I've been able to hear them?
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21820. Re: [DX-IS] 5J0R - K9W QRG conflict

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-05 13:00:00 UTC
From: Frank T Brady
Topic: 21818 Message: 21820

It just seems strange that 5J0R doesn't know about the K9W band plan -
it's idiotic for two dx expeditions to be stepping on one another.

Another case in point -
5J0R is on 30m this morning (very seldom giving his callsign) and he was
being spotted as k9w - not a single 5J0R spot. All of those guys
thought they had worked K9W.
Just sayin...
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On 11/5/2013 7:42 AM, KQ8M wrote:
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21821. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-05 15:30:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21821

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:Issued: 2013 Nov 05 1252 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 31105
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 05 Nov 2013, 1211UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 05 Nov 2013 until 07 Nov 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Active (M-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Warning condition (activity levels expected to increase, but no numeric
forecast given)
PREDICTIONS FOR 05 Nov 2013 10CM FLUX: 148 / AP: 011
PREDICTIONS FOR 06 Nov 2013 10CM FLUX: 153 / AP: 009
PREDICTIONS FOR 07 Nov 2013 10CM FLUX: 155 / AP: 005
COMMENT: NOAA AR 1890 (no Catania number yet) produced today an M2.5 flare peaking
at 08:18 UT, and a C8.0 flare peaking at 11:58 UT. We expect the flaring
activity at the M-level, with a small chance for an X-class flare. A CME
was associated with the M2.5 flare, first appearing in the LASCO C2 field
of view at 08:24 UT. The data currently available do not allow yet to
measure the full angular width of the CME. However, STEREO and LASCO data
clearly show that the bulk of the material is ejected southward of the
ecliptic plane, so we do not expect the arrival of the corresponding
interplanetary disturbance at the Earth. The proton flux at energies above
10 MeV measured by GOES exhibited a small increase around 08:40 UT today,
probably associated with the M2.5 flare and corresponding CME. The proton
flux remains below the threshold, but we issue a warning condition for a
proton event. The Earth is currently inside a slow (around 360 km/s) solar
wind flow with average (around 4 nT) interplanetary magnetic field
magnitude. The geomagnetic conditions are quiet and are expected to remain
so.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 089, BASED ON 04 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 04 Nov 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 147
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 013
AK WINGST : 006
ESTIMATED AP : 005
ESTIMATED ISN : 091, BASED ON 15 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
05 0812 0818 0821 S17E48 M2.5 1F 53 ///1890
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END
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21822. RE: [DX-IS] 5J0R - K9W QRG conflict

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-05 15:38:58 UTC
From: KQ8M
Topic: 21818 Message: 21822

I agree there should have been some sort of cooperation.

The thing about the spots. Only takes one idiot to spot the wrong call and all of the lemmings follow suite. Even after signing his
call people were spotting as K9W.

73,

Tim Herrick, KQ8M

Charter Member North Coast Contesters

kq8m@...

AR-Cluster V6 kq8m.no-ip.org

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Sent: Tuesday, November 05, 2013 8:00 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] 5J0R - K9W QRG conflict

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21823. Re: [DX-IS] 5J0R - K9W QRG conflict

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-06 00:05:31 UTC
From: Nick - VE3EY
Topic: 21818 Message: 21823

w0ecs is right. 5J0R guys are creating a great deal of confusion by not signing their call out. I heard them several times over past few days running for more than 15 minutes without signing their call once. QSL managers for K9W and 5J0R will for sure have fun sorting this out.

Nick,
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On Tue, Nov 5, 2013 at 10:38 AM, KQ8M <kq8m@...> wrote:

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21824. Re: [DX-IS] 5J0R - K9W QRG conflict

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-06 00:38:58 UTC
From: Bob
Topic: 21818 Message: 21824

Hi Nick,

Simple to sort it out, "NIL" or Not in Log". How can it ever be
called a valid contact if the station does not even know who he worked or thinks
he worked. The QSL managers duty ends with the log check and there is no match,
return the card.

Now that, that is resolved, who gets the donation?

73,
Bob
K2TK ex KN2TKR (1956) & K2TKR

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21825. Re: [DX-IS] 5J0R - K9W QRG conflict

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-06 00:51:47 UTC
From: Richard Solomon
Topic: 21818 Message: 21825

At least we have on-line logs these days. Sure beats waiting months
then getting a "NIL" !!

73, Dick, W1KSZ

On Tue, Nov 5, 2013 at 5:38 PM, Bob <robertlarson@...> wrote:

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21826. SK Log Repository

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-06 01:49:43 UTC
From: Richard Solomon
Topic: 21826 Message: 21826

IIRC, didn't someone start a repository for SK Logs ?

Anyone remember the link for it ?

Tnx, Dick, W1KSZ

21827. Re: [DX-IS] SK Log Repository

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-06 03:08:21 UTC
From: Frank T Brady
Topic: 21826 Message: 21827

Dave, WJ2O had logs that got me my Navassa I. qsl for qso with a subsequently SK opr.

dave@...

73, frank w0ecs

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21828. Re: [DX-IS] SK Log Repository

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-06 03:19:01 UTC
From: John Peters
Topic: 21826 Message: 21828

Most QSL Mgr keep logs, and answer cards forever. I'm still getting cards for 1993 and earlier expeditions. Remarkable even some via the bureau (I guess that means they don't need it much!)

73 John K1ER
----- Original Message -----
From: Frank T Brady
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tuesday, November 05, 2013 5:08 PM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] SK Log Repository

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21829. Re: [DX-IS] SK Log Repository

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-06 04:17:10 UTC
From: Buzz Jehle
Topic: 21826 Message: 21829

Sometimes a tornado takes your roof and a few thousand QSLs or a creek becomes a river and QSLs float, fade and stick together. Add to that kids, dogs, and fires and some of us try to replace cards we once had. Insects think they are tasty and rodents use them for nests. We are most appreciative to the guys who preserve the logs and QSLs. Add in the forgetfulness of old age and the reduced income of retirement, and the bureau looks pretty good. Not all cards mailed to the DXCC Desk get returned either.

Remember those plastic boxes like they use in stores with the two piece flip tops are great in floods, but they hold water when the roof leaks or sprinklers go off. I speak from experience! All my QSLs (and antennae) from a dozen countries disappeared from my attic in a twister that came as part of hurricane Ike some years ago, luckily the logs were all in zip lock bags in metal cabinets and survived, so if you still need a VP1UR or VP2LGR card I still have some, and once or twice a year I get requests.

Just another perspective as why we need to preserve logs and old QSLs.

73 Buzz N5UR

On Nov 6, 2013, at 3:19 AM, John Peters <petersj007@...> wrote:

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21830. RE: [DX-IS] SK Log Repository

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-06 13:13:02 UTC
From: KQ8M
Topic: 21826 Message: 21830

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73,

Tim Herrick, KQ8M

Charter Member North Coast Contesters

kq8m@...

AR-Cluster V6 kq8m.no-ip.org

User Ports: 23, 7373 with local skimmer, 7374 without local skimmer

Server Ports: V6 3607, V4 Active 3605, V4 Passive 3606

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of John Peters
Sent: Tuesday, November 05, 2013 10:19 PM
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21831. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-06 15:30:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21831

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:Issued: 2013 Nov 06 1246 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 31106
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 06 Nov 2013, 1211UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 06 Nov 2013 until 08 Nov 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Major flares expected (X-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Warning condition (activity levels expected to increase, but no numeric
forecast given)
PREDICTIONS FOR 06 Nov 2013 10CM FLUX: 151 / AP: 009
PREDICTIONS FOR 07 Nov 2013 10CM FLUX: 154 / AP: 005
PREDICTIONS FOR 08 Nov 2013 10CM FLUX: 157 / AP: 006
COMMENT: Since the X3.3 flare yesterday, the NOAA AR 1890 (no Catania number yet)
produced only C-class flares, the strongest one being the C8.6 flare
peaking at 08:51 UT today. Nevertheless, this active region still keeps the
beta-gamma-delta configuration of its photospheric magnetic field. We
expect further strong flaring from this region, primarily on the M-level.
Another X-class flare is also probable. Given that the NOAA AR 1890 is
approaching the solar central meridian, we maintain the warning condition
for a proton event. The Earth is currently inside a slow (around 350 km/s)
solar wind flow with average (around 5 nT) interplanetary magnetic field
magnitude. The geomagnetic conditions are quiet and are expected to remain
so.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 088, BASED ON 04 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 05 Nov 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 149
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 007
AK WINGST : 004
ESTIMATED AP : 004
ESTIMATED ISN : 088, BASED ON 09 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
05 1808 1813 1817 ////// M1.0 110 /////// III/2
05 2207 2212 2215 S12E46 X3.3 1B 400 ///1890 III/3V/3II/3IV/1
END
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21832. Re: [DX-IS] SK Log Repository

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-06 21:03:01 UTC
From: Phil & Anne Irons
Topic: 21826 Message: 21832

On 2013-11-06 09:13, KQ8M wrote:
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> air between 1994 and 2007. During that time the 9band work them all DXCC
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It appears to me that the simple(?) solution for logs of either old Dx-Peditions or SK ops would be to upload them to LoTW. OK, so they would have to be computerized first, but that sounds like a wonderful pastime when the WX and DX are not cooperating. A club project?

Just my 2 cents...

73,

Phil/VE1BVD

21833. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-07 15:30:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21833

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:Issued: 2013 Nov 07 1315 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 31107
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 07 Nov 2013, 1311UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 07 Nov 2013 until 09 Nov 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Active (M-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Active conditions expected (A>=20 or K=4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Proton event expected (10 pfu at >10 MeV)
PREDICTIONS FOR 07 Nov 2013 10CM FLUX: 156 / AP: 016
PREDICTIONS FOR 08 Nov 2013 10CM FLUX: 157 / AP: 010
PREDICTIONS FOR 09 Nov 2013 10CM FLUX: 157 / AP: 006
COMMENT: Numerous C-class flares and three M-class flares were reported since
yesterday's bulletin, the strongest of them being the M3.8 flare peaking at
13:46 UT yesterday in the Catania sunspot group 35 (NOAA AR 1890). The
trailing part of this region (containing the delta sunspot) somewhat
decayed, although this active region still keeps the beta-gamma-delta
configuration of its photospheric magnetic field. We expect continuing
flaring activity on the M-level, with an X-class flare possible, but not
very likely. Due to the current high level of the proton flux and the
position of the Catania sunspot group 35 approaching the solar central
meridian, a proton event is probable. The solar wind speed is currently
low (around 360 km/s). However, the interplanetary magnetic field (IMF)
magnitude is elevated since the early hours of today (peak value 14 nT).
The currently available data does not yet allow us to conclude if this
increase is due to an interaction region with a faster flow or to an ICME.
The north-south IMF component reached -9 nT and stayed negative during
several hours, resulting in one interval of active geomagnetic conditions
(K = 4) as reported by Dourbes, IZMIRAN and NOAA. We expect unsettled to
active geomagnetic conditions in the coming hours.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 106, BASED ON 09 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 06 Nov 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 154
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 013
AK WINGST : 005
ESTIMATED AP : 004
ESTIMATED ISN : 098, BASED ON 07 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
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06 1339 1346 1353 S12E37 M3.8 1N 190 ///1890 III/1II/2
06 2344 0002 0014 ////// M1.8 ///////
07 0334 0340 0343 S14E28 M2.3 SN 35/1890 III/2II/1
END
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21834. ARLD045 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-07 23:07:47 UTC
From: jjreisert@...
Topic: 6934 Message: 21834

SB DX @ ARL $ARLD045
ARLD045 DX news

ZCZC AE45
QST de W1AW
DX Bulletin 45 ARLD045
>From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT November 7, 2013
To all radio amateurs

SB DX ARL ARLD045
ARLD045 DX news

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by KX9X, NC1L, WP3R, QRZ DX, the OPDX Bulletin, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, DXNL, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

TANZANIA, 5H. Carl, SM6CPY is QRV as 5H3CJ until November 12. Activity is on the HF bands, with a preference for the higher bands, using only CW. QSL to home call.

SAMOA, 5W. Hiro, JF1OCQ is QRV as 5W7X from Apia, IOTA OC-097, until November 14. Activity is on the HF bands and 6 meters using CW and SSB. QSL to home call.

NEPAL, 9N. Toshi, JA8BMK is QRV as 9N7BM from Kathmandu and Nagalkot until November 28. Activity is holiday style on the HF bands. QSL to home call.

JUAN FERNANDEZ ISLANDS, CE0. A large group of operators are QRV as XR0ZR until November 20. Activity is on 160 to 6 meters, including 60 meters, using CW, SSB, RTTY and EME. QSL via IV3DSH.

REUNION ISLAND, FR. Stef, F5UOW is QRV as TO2R until November 17. Activity is on 40 to 10 meters using mostly CW. QSL to home call.

ST. VINCENT, J8. Gerd, DL7VOG is QRV as J87GU from Union Island, IOTA NA-025, until November 27. Activity is on 160 to 6 meters using CW and RTTY and possibly SSB. He will be active in the Worked All Europe RTTY contest and the upcoming CQ World Wide DX CW contest. QSL to home call.

HAWAII, KH6. Look for operators YT1AD, WD5COV and RZ3FW to be QRV as KH6/N9YU, KH6/WD5COV and KH6/N7AFW, respectively, from November 13 to 15. Activity will be on the HF bands. QSL to home calls.

AMERICAN SAMOA, KH8. A group of operators will be QRV using special event call sign W8A from the Village of Vaitogi on the coast of Tutuila Island, IOTA OC-045, from November 12 to 22. Activity will be on 160 to 10 meters using mainly CW with some SSB and RTTY. QSL via ZL3CW.

WAKE ISLAND, KH9. Station K9W is QRV until November 15. Activity is on 160 to 6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via OQRS.

PUERTO RICO, KP4. Special event station KP4AO will be QRV from the control room of the Arecibo Observatory on November 10 to commemorate the 50th anniversary of Radio Astronomy Science. Activity will be on 20 meters using SSB. QSL via operator's instructions.

LUXEMBOURG, LX. Helmut, DF7ZS will be QRV as LX7I in the Worked All Europe RTTY contest. QSL via operator's instructions.

NAMIBIA, V5. Klaus, DJ4SO is QRV as V5/DJ4SO until early December. Activity is on all HF bands, with the possible exception of 160 and 80 meters, using CW, RTTY, PSK and some SSB. He may also be active in the Worked All Europe RTTY contest and the upcoming CQ World Wide DX CW contest. QSL to home call.

VIET NAM, XV. Special event station XV2V40J is QRV until November 24 in commemoration of the establishment of diplomatic relations between Japan and Vietnam 40 years ago. Activity is on all bands and modes. QSL via JF1HJZ.

INDONESIA, YB. A group of operators will be QRV as YB8V from Banda Besar Island, IOTA OC-157, from November 10 to 15. Activity will be on 40 to 10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via YB9AU.

TRISTAN da CUNHA and GOUGH ISLAND, ZD9. Bani, ZS1BM is QRV as ZD9G from Gough Island, IOTA AF-030, as a member of the 59th Winter Team and is here until August 2014. QSL via ZS1HF.

OPERATIONS APPROVED FOR DXCC CREDIT. The following operations are approved for DXCC Credit: Yemen, 7O2A, 2013 operation; Afghanistan, T6SM, Operations beginning August 14, 2012 to current.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The Worked All Europe RTTY DX Contest, 10-10 International Fall Digital Contest, Japan International DX Phone Contest, NCCC RTTY Sprint, QRP CW Fox Hunt, NCCC Sprint, SKCC Weekend CW Sprintathon, OK/OM DX CW Contest, Kentucky QSO Party, CQ-WE Contest and the EANET Sprint are all on tap for this upcoming weekend. The QRP CW Fox Hunt, RSGB 80-Meter Club SSB Sprint, NAQCC-EU Monthly CW Sprint and CWops Mini-CWT CW Test are scheduled for November 13. Please see November QST, page 87, and the ARRL and WA7BNM contest web sites for details.
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21835. XR0ZR?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-08 03:45:28 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 21835 Message: 21835

Hi Guys

Any news on XR0ZR, have they arrived yet?

73, Lance - VK6DU

21836. Re: [DX-IS] XR0ZR?

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-08 03:53:51 UTC
From: iain macdonnell - N6ML
Topic: 21835 Message: 21836

On Thu, Nov 7, 2013 at 7:45 PM, Lance Martin <L.Martin@...> wrote:
> Any news on XR0ZR, have they arrived yet?

I think they fly from Santiago to Juan Fernandez tomorrow.

73,

~iain / N6ML

21837. RE: [DX-IS] 5J0R - K9W QRG conflict

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-08 06:43:55 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 21818 Message: 21837

I have been purposefully waiting the hear the DX sign recently as these current DXpeditions are close and signals are coming in in very similar intensity.
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Looking forward to XR0ZR, hoping to get them as high as on 15m but will be a stretch. (20m will be the band).

Good luck to all,

73, Lance - VK6DU

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Richard Solomon
Sent: Wednesday, 6 November 2013 8:52 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] 5J0R - K9W QRG conflict

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then getting a "NIL" !!
73, Dick, W1KSZ

On Tue, Nov 5, 2013 at 5:38 PM, Bob <robertlarson@...<mailto:robertlarson@...>> wrote:
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Yahoo Groups Links

21838. Poll results for DX-IS

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-08 09:01:53 UTC
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 21838 Message: 21838

The following DX-IS poll is now closed. Here are the
final results:

POLL QUESTION: The SIDC Ursigram message is sent to DX IS! daily at 14:30 UTC. Do you wish this to continue?

CHOICES AND RESULTS
- Yes, 23 votes, 67.65%
- No, 11 votes, 32.35%

For more information about this group, please visit
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/DX-IS

For help with Yahoo Groups, please visit
http://help.yahoo.com/l/us/yahoo/groups/original/members/forms/general.html

21839. Guess it stays!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-08 13:09:07 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 21838 Message: 21839

On 11/8/2013 5:01 AM, DX-IS@yahoogroups.com wrote:
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Majority rules.

73, Paul VE1DX

21840. Re: [DX-IS] Guess it stays!

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-08 13:15:09 UTC
From: Brian Alsop
Topic: 21838 Message: 21840

Paul,

Thanks for doing this. It's an automatic "one stop" source.
It helps answer the question: why is/was the band so dead.

73 de Brian/K3KO

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21841. Re: [DX-IS] 5J0R - K9W QRG conflict

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-08 13:17:05 UTC
From: GARY HUBER
Topic: 21818 Message: 21841

I have received confirmation from one of the K9W operators that they did QSY from their announced QRG to 28007 to avoid the pile-up confusion for a while yesterday. When I was listening on 28007 I did not hear the usual frequent K9W identification, so I may have in fact missed them. Check ClubLog at http://www.wake2013.org/pages/log.html

73 ES DX,
Gary -- AB9M

From: Lance Martin
Sent: Friday, November 08, 2013 12:43 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] 5J0R - K9W QRG conflict

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Yahoo Groups Links

21842. Re: [DX-IS] 5J0R - K9W QRG conflict

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-08 14:04:08 UTC
From: Roberto Rey
Topic: 21818 Message: 21842

I was an operator at 5J0R. I came back early. On one occasion that I recall on 20 mts, a was working a 5 to 10 up pile up. Then I heard more stations on a certain frecuency range and called some of their calls, hearing no response I quickly understood this was not "my" pile up, all I did was reverse the pileup and instead of saying 5 to 10 up I said 5 to 10 down.. easy solution and nobody complained. Its not like we purposely looked to stomp all over the Wake DXP.. that is ridiculous. Some people really need to get a life!

73 de HK3CW / 5J0R Rob

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Yahoo Groups Links

21843. Re: [DX-IS] 5J0R - K9W QRG conflict

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-08 14:29:21 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 21818 Message: 21843

This morning it was T33A and K9W on 40 CW. T33A was on 7007 and K9W
was on 7013. The pileup from T33A was engulfing K9W. All the people
trying to hear K9W kept sending the usual "UP LID," evidently not
realizing that it was T33A's pileup they were hearing.

Oh well ... neither in log yet.

73, Zack W9SZ

On 11/8/13, GARY HUBER <glhuber@...> wrote:
> I have received confirmation from one of the K9W operators that they did QSY
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> from their announced QRG to 28007 to avoid the pile-up confusion for a while
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> yesterday. When I was listening on 28007 I did not hear the usual frequent
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> K9W identification, so I may have in fact missed them. Check ClubLog at
> http://www.wake2013.org/pages/log.html
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> 73 ES DX,
> Gary -- AB9M
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> From: Lance Martin
> Sent: Friday, November 08, 2013 12:43 AM
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> Subject: RE: [DX-IS] 5J0R - K9W QRG conflict
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21844. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-08 15:30:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21844

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:Issued: 2013 Nov 08 1218 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
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SIDC URSIGRAM 31108
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 08 Nov 2013, 1211UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 08 Nov 2013 until 10 Nov 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Active (M-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Warning condition (activity levels expected to increase, but no numeric
forecast given)
PREDICTIONS FOR 08 Nov 2013 10CM FLUX: 153 / AP: 009
PREDICTIONS FOR 09 Nov 2013 10CM FLUX: 154 / AP: 004
PREDICTIONS FOR 10 Nov 2013 10CM FLUX: 154 / AP: 009
COMMENT: Catania sunspot group 35 (NOAA AR 1890) keeps the beta-gamma-delta
configuration of its photospheric magnetic field, although the delta-spot
got somewhat weaker. Catania sunspot group 32 (NOAA AR 1891) is reported to
have the beta-delta configuration of its photospheric magnetic field,
although the delta-spot seems to lose its penumbra during the M2.3 flare
peaking at 09:28 UT in this active region today. We expect flaring activity
on the M-level from these two active regions. An X-class flare is possible
in the Catania sunspot group 35 (NOAA AR 1890), but it is not very likely.
Due to the position of this group close to the solar central meridian, we
issue a warning condition for a proton event. The Earth is currently
inside a slow (around 390 km/s) solar wind flow with average (around 5 nT)
interplanetary magnetic field magnitude. The geomagnetic conditions are
quiet and are expected to remain so in the coming hours.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 105, BASED ON 11 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 07 Nov 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 194
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 148
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 018
AK WINGST : 010
ESTIMATED AP : 012
ESTIMATED ISN : 111, BASED ON 14 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
07 1415 1425 1431 S13E23 M2.4 1N 170 35/1890 II/1III/2IV/1
08 0420 0426 0429 S14E15 X1.1 2B 1000 35/1890 II/1III/3IV/2
08 0922 0928 0931 S18W28 M2.3 1B 32/1891
END
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21845. ARLP045 Propagation de K7RA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-08 15:37:55 UTC
From: jjreisert@...
Topic: 6969 Message: 21845

SB PROP @ ARL $ARLP045
ARLP045 Propagation de K7RA

ZCZC AP45
QST de W1AW
Propagation Forecast Bulletin 45 ARLP045
>From Tad Cook, K7RA
Seattle, WA November 8, 2013
To all radio amateurs

SB PROP ARL ARLP045
ARLP045 Propagation de K7RA

Solar activity eased off over the past week, with average daily sunspot numbers declining nearly 30 points from 161.6 to 131.7, and average daily solar flux down over 12 points from 158.3 to 146. Geomagnetic indicators were quiet. Still, activity remains strong.

The last three days of the reporting week (November 4-6) had increasingly stronger sunspot numbers, all higher than the week's average. The same is true for solar flux values, each of the past few days with numbers higher than the average for the week.

Recently we noted a near-term peak in solar flux at 155 predicted for November 22-25, but now that peak has moved, and values predicted for those dates are 135-140.

A new short term peak is predicted for the next few days, at 150 on November 8, 155 on November 9, 160 on November 10, 155 on November 11-12, 150 on November 13, 140 on November 14-15, 135 on November 16, 130 on November 17-20, 135 on November 21-22, 140 on November 23-28, 145 on November 29 through December 1, 140 on December 2, and 135 on December 3-6.

Predicted planetary A index is 8 on November 8, 5 on November 9-10, 10 on November 11, 12 on November 12, 8 on November 13, 5 on November 14 through December 2, 8 on December 3-4, 5 on December 5-6 and then 8, 10, 8 and 8 on December 7-10.

F.K. Janda, OK1HH believes we should see mostly quiet geomagnetic conditions on November 8, quiet to unsettled November 9, mostly quiet November 10, active to disturbed November 11, quiet to active November 12, quiet to unsettled November 13, mostly quiet November 14, quiet November 15-18, mostly quiet November 19, quiet November 20-25, mostly quiet November 26, quiet to unsettled November 27, quiet to active November 28-29, quiet November 30, active to disturbed December 1, quiet to unsettled December 2, and quiet

December 3-4.

A week ago NASA put out a revised solar cycle prediction. You can read it at http://solarscience.msfc.nasa.gov/predict.shtml. The only difference was that the smoothed sunspot number maximum predicted for this cycle is 65 and in Summer 2013. The change is just one point - last month they thought it would be 66 in Fall 2013.

Why the prediction for last Summer? Because it is a smoothed sunspot number, and that is a value taken from an average over one year. We won't know the actual number until six months after the fact.

We heard from Bob Foster again this week. Turns out he is N9BGC of Waverly, Iowa, and on November 1 he wrote, "Last weekend was the hottest propagation I have heard on 10 meters and 15 meters in my 43 years as a ham. Signals were 5-9 from Kazakhstan to Japan. Hungary was 59 in the evening on 40 meters. Mine is a very modest station: A semi-vintage Kenwood 520SE running barefoot into a ground mounted Gap vertical antenna."

Jon Jones, N0JK of Lawrence, Kansas (EM28) reports that on October 31 he heard the VY0SNB beacon on 6 meters on 50.048 MHz at 1620 UTC. This beacon is located in Nunavut, between the northern tip of Quebec and Greenland. Jon says it was probably double-hop E-skip.

Jon also reported (in a message titled "10 Meters Hot") that back on October 22 he worked G1HPD on 10 meter SSB at 1810 UTC. He wrote, "We have recently moved - so I don't have any HF antennas up yet. I noted spots that 10 was hot to Europe, so I put a stock CB mag mount whip on the Weber 'Genesis' BBQ grill out on the patio. Used a MFJ tuner and 10 watts. G1HPD was hitting 20 over S-9 and gave me a '5x5' report. For good measure I also worked KG4WV Gitmo (Guantanamo Bay, Cuba) with 59 reports."

If you would like to make a comment or have a tip for our readers, email the author at, k7ra@....

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service web page at, http://arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals. For an explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin, see http://arrl.org/the-sun-the-earth-the-ionosphere. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at http://arrl.org/w1aw-bulletins-archive-propagation. More good information and tutorials on propagation are at http://k9la.us/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://arrl.org/propagation.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of ARRL bulletins are at http://arrl.org/bulletins.

Sunspot numbers for October 31 through November 6 were 128, 95, 123, 143, 151, 134, and 148, with a mean of 131.7. 10.7 cm flux was 142.6, 145, 141.6, 143.5, 147.3, 148.5, and 153.5, with a mean of 146. Estimated planetary A indices were 6, 5, 3, 6, 5, 5, and 4, with a mean of 4.9. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 6, 4, 3, 7, 4, 4, and 3, with a mean of 4.4.
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21846. 425 DX News - #1175

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-08 18:10:00 UTC
From: <k9or@...>
Topic: 21846 Message: 21846

09 November 2013 A.R.I. DX Bulletin
No 1175
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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** DX INFORMATION ****
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Edited by I1JQJ & IK1ADH
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3B8 - Serge, UU5WW (www.3b8-uu5ww.com http://www.3b8-uu5ww.com) will be active holiday style as
3B8/UU5WW from Mauritius Island (AF-049) on 17-30 November. He will operate mainly CW on 80-10 metres running low power into simple antennas, and will take part in the CQ WW DX CW Contest. All of the QSOs will be confirmed via the bureau and LoTW. Direct cards should be sent to K2PF (OQRS on Club Log).
4S - Radio Society of Sri Lanka's special event station 4S0CGM will be active on 10-17 November for the 23rd Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting that will be held in Colombo. QSL via bureau or direct to RSSL, P.O. Box 907, Colombo, Sri Lanka.
9H - Olaf DL4HG (9H3OG) and Holger DL5XAT (9H3TX) will be active from Malta (EU-023) on 17-25 November. They will participate in the CQ WW DX CW Contest as 9H3TX (M/2), and will concentrate on 30, 17 and 12 metres CW and RTTY outside the contest. QSL via home calls, direct and bureau.
9M6 - Once again Saty, JE1JKL will participate in the CQ WW DX CW Contest as 9M6NA (SOAB HP) from Labuan Island (OC-133), East Malaysia. QSL via home call, direct or bureau, and LoTW. Email requests for bureau cards can be sent to 9m6na[@]jsfc.org http://jsfc.org. [TNX NG3K]
DL - DK7LV, DL2VFR, DL2YBG, DL4BBH and DL7UXG will operate SSB and CW as DM50IOTA from Usedom Island (EU-129) on 15-18 November. QSL via bureau, or direct to DL2VFR. [TNX rsgbiota.org http://rsgbiota.org]
F - On 27 November 1923 Leon Deloy, 8AB from Nice (France) made the first two-way transatlantic QSO with Fred Schnell (1MO) in the USA. To celebrate the 90th anniversary of that event, F5KBM (Radio Club de Wimereux) will be active as TM8AB on 22-24 November. [TNX F8REF]
FG - Members of the FG4KI Radio Club (namely FG1PP, FG4NW, FG8NY and FG8OJ) will be active as TO0MT from Guadeloupe (NA-102) from 18 November to 1 December for the arrival of the solo transatlantic yachtrace "Mini Transat". QSL via LoTW and eQSL. [TNX NG3K]
FJ - Georg, DK7LX be active as FJ/DK7LX from St. Barthelemy (NA-146) from 16 November to 6 December. He will operate mainly CW and RTTY on 40-10 metres. QSL via home call. [TNX DX World]

FM - Dimitry, UT5UGR will be active as FM/KL7WA from Martinique
(NA-107) on 18-26 November. He will participate in the CQ WW DX CW
Contest as TO7A. QSL via UT5UGR. [TNX DX World]
FS - Once again John, K9EL will be active as FS/K9EL from St. Martin
(NA-105) on 19-28 November. He will be QRV on 160-10 metres and
will participate in the CQ WW CW Contest. QSL via home call. Daily
uploads to Club Log and LoTW are planned. [TNX OPDX Bulletin]
J8 - The new dates for the J88HL operation from St. Vincent (NA-109)
[425DXN 1163] are from 15 November to 1 December. A polish team
will have at least three stations active 24/7 on 160-10 metres CW,
SSB and RTTY, with a serious effort on the low bands. They will
also have equipment for 6 metres. QSL route to be announced;
logsearch and OQRS on Club Log. Bookmark http://j88hl.dxing.pl/ http://j88hl.dxing.pl/
for updates. [TNX SP6EQZ]
JA - Take, JI3DST will be active as JI3DST/1 from Shikine Island
(AS-008) on 21-25 November (40-10 metres mainly SSB and CW, with
some activity during the CQ WW DX CW Contest) and as JI3DST/6 from
Kuchino-Island (AS-049) from 28 December to 5 January (160-10
metres mainly SSB and CW). QSL via home call, bureau preferred.
[TNX JI3DST]
JD1_oga- Toshi, JP1IOF is active as JD1YBT from Chichijima (AS-031),
Ogasawara until 15 November. QSL via JP1IOF (direct or bureau) and
LoTW. Logsearch and OQRS on Club Log.
J7 - George K5KG (J75KG), Charlie K1XX (J79XX), Jim WI9WI (J79WI) and
Gus VO1MP (J79MP) will be active from Dominica (NA-101) on 16-25
November. They will participate in the CQ WW DX CW Contest as
J73A; outside the contest "some time will be devoted to SSB and
RTTY". QSL J73A via WI9WI (direct only), others via home call
(direct only). All logs will be uploaded to LoTW. [TNX NG3K]
OX - Henning, OZ1BII (www.oz1bii.dk http://www.oz1bii.dk) will be active again as XP2I from
Greenland (NA-018) on 21-24 November. He will operate CW only and
will participate in the CQWW DX CW Contest. QSL via OZ1BII, direct
or bureau, and LoTW. Logsearch on Club Log. [TNX NG3K]
P4 - Valery, R5GA will be active as P4/R5GA from Aruba (SA-036) on
16-26 November. He will operate mainly CW on 160-10 meters, with a
focus on 30, 17 and 12 metres. He will participate in the CQ WW DX
CW Contest as P40F. QSL via UA3DX. [TNX OPDX Bulletin]
PJ4 - W4PA, WF7T and N0AX will be active from Bonaire (SA-006) on 18-27
November. They will participate in the CW WW DX CW Contest as PJ4Q
(QSL via W4PA), while outside the contest they will concentrate on
160, 30, 17 and 12 metres. [TNX The Daily DX]
PY - Fabio, PP5BZ will be active as ZW5W from Santana de Fora Island
(SA-088) on 6-9 December. He will operate CW and SSB on 80-10
metres. QSL via PP5BZ. [TNX PT7WA]
PY0F - Andre, PP6ZZ/PY7CW will be back to Fernando de Noronha (SA-003)
on 11-26 November. He will be QRV as PY0FF, including an entry in
the CQ WW CW Contest. QSL via W9VA. [TNX The Daily DX]
S7 - Cesare, I0WDX will be active as S79WDX from La Digue (AF-024),
Seychelles on 12-23 November. He plans to be QRV on 160-6 metres.
QSL via I0WDX (direct only) and LoTW.

TA - TA2TX/0, TA0/LZ1NK, TA0/LZ1CNN, TA0/LZ2UW, TA0/LZ3YY, TA0/LZ3FN,
TA0/LZ3ND, and TA0/LZ5VK will operate SSB and CW from Bozcaada
(AS-099) on 19-25 November. They will participate in the CQ WW DX
CW Contest as TC0A (QSL via TA2TX or LZ1NK). They have a website
at http://tc3a.alle.bg/ http://tc3a.alle.bg/ [TNX NG3K]
UA - Look for R9OOO/0, RA1ZZ/0, RA3AV/0 and UA9KW/0 to be active from
the village of Batagai-Alyta, Yakutia in the rarest Russian
District YA-38 from 26 November to 3 December. They will be QRV on
80-10 metres CW and SSB. All of the QSOs will be confirmed
automatically via the bureau. The website for the Russian Districts
Award can be found at http://rdaward.org http://rdaward.org. [TNX DX World]
V4 - Andy, N2NT will be active as V47NT from St. Kitts (NA-104) on
17-26 November, and as V47T during the CQ WW DX CW Contest. QSL
for both callsigns via W2RQ. [TNX NG3K]
VP2V - Look for VP2V/N3DXX to be active from Tortola, British Virgin
Islands (NA-023) on 19-29 November, including an entry in the CQ
WW DX CW Contest. QSL via NR6M. [TNX NG3K]
VU - Special callsign AU2GIR will be used on 9-10 November by a team
operating from the Gir Forest National Park and Wildlife Sanctuary
in Gujarat, India. Look for activity on 28550, 21280, 21310,
14150, 14220, 7035, 7070 and 7150 kHz. See qrz.com http://qrz.com for QSL
information.
XE - A team of eight (namely Ismael XE1AY, Gustavo XE1KKK, David
XE1REW, Enrique XE2AA, Juan Manuel XE2AI, Jorge XE2AMS, Benjamin
XE2AU and Juan XE2AY) will be active as XF1T from Isla Cocinas
(NA-189) on 14-17 March 2014. QSL via IT9EJW; logsearch and OQRS
on Club Log. [TNX IT9EJW]
XV - Mats, SM6LRR (RM2D) will be active as XV2LRR from Vietnam from 29
November to 14 December. He will operate holiday style on 40-10
metres CW and SSB. Logsearch on Club Log, QSL via LoTW only ("with
some possible paper cards to be printed later", he says,
information will be published on qrz.com http://qrz.com "if and when available").
XZ - Zorro, JH1AJT and his group (DJ9ZB, E20NKB, E21EIC, JA1DXA,
JA1TRC, K3LP, N6PSE, PP5XX, PY2NDX and VR2KF) will be active as
XZ1J from Nay Pyi Taw, Myanmar on 15-26 November. They plan to set
up three to four stations, and operate CW, SSB and RTTY on 160-10
metres. This will be the third and final run for 2013 from XZ
land. Please use the OQRS provided by Club Log for QSLling.

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** GOOD TO KNOW ... ****
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Edited by I1JQJ & IK1ADH
Direttore Responsabile I2VGW

DXCC DEADLINE ---> The deadline for the 2013 DXCC Annual and Honor Roll
listings is approaching. In order to appear in these listings, your
submission must be postmarked by 31 December 2013. At present, there are
340 current Entities on the ARRL DXCC List; Honor Roll entry level is 331
current Entities. The listings will be published in the DXCC Yearbook,

available on line as part of the Digital version of "QST" for the month of August. Hard copies of the Yearbook can be purchased from DXCC for USD 8.00 (USA) and USD 12.00 (non-USA). Further information can be found on the ARRL's DXCC Blog page (www.arrl.org/dxcc-blog http://www.arrl.org/dxcc-blog)

DXCC NEWS ---> T6SM (Afghanistan, operations beginning 14 August 2012 to current) has been approved for DXCC credit. [TNX NC1L]

QSL GALLERY ---> The large collection of QSL cards on Les Nouvelles DX's web site has been updated. Sixteen different galleries include 11,547 cards for the ten Most Wanted DXCC Entities (2003-12), the 61 deleted DXCC Entities, obsolete prefixes, stations from Maghreb from 1945 to 1962, Allied Forces stations in Germany (1945-69), special stations commemorating ITU and IARU, Antarctic bases & TAAF (Terres Australes and Antarctiques Francaises), the various French DXCC island Entities in the Pacific Ocean, the Indian Ocean and the Americas (from 1945 to 1970), pre-1945 countries, French Departments and CONUS, plus a gallery for cards not accepted by DXCC. Your participation is encouraged - please visit www.LesNouvellesdx.fr http://www.LesNouvellesdx.fr
[TNX F6AJA]

QSL ZC4LI ---> Phil, G3SWH has uploaded to both LoTW and Club Log all the logs that he has been able to find for 5B4/G0LII, 5B4AHA, C4C, G0LII, G7G, G8G, M0ADU, MX0ADU and ZD8LII. Logsearches for these calls are available on www.g3swh.org.uk http://www.g3swh.org.uk. The late Steve Hodgson, ZC4LI was not an RSGB member, and
paper QSLs are only available direct (by traditional mail or via the OQRS facility on Phil's website). "I am still working on the log for ZC4LI", Phil says, "as it consists of several hundred individual files in a variety of different formats and it is taking a lot of time to convert it to a single format. It should be available in a few weeks time". [TNX G3SWH]

VK5CE IOTA ACTIVITY FOR 2014 ---> "Thoughts are now turning to 2014 activity", Craig VK5CE says. "Basically I should be able to do in 2014 what I have done in 2013 - namely a rare, remote and isolated IOTA by myself (similar to this year's OC-255) and a less rare but still wanted IOTA packaged into a DXpedition/family vacation (similar to this year's OC-261). It all depends on individual and club sponsorship to offset the costs. I'm letting people be involved in the decision making process by inviting everyone to visit http://vkiota.blogspot.com.au/ http://vkiota.blogspot.com.au/ "

YW5RYL ---> The 7-10 November activity from Los Roques (SA-035) [425DXN 1173] has been postponed until further notice owing to circumstances beyond the operators' control.

+ SILENT KEY + Andrei Stchislenok, NP3D/EW1AR (ex UC2AFZ, RC2AR, AA3BG and NC2N) passed away unexpectedly on 4 November at 55 years of age. First licensed in 1980, he operated from several countries, and took successfully part in many major contests.

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QSLs received direct or through managers: 3DA0VB, 3V8SS, 4J3DJ, 4K0VB,
4L0B, 4O/UA3RF/p (EU-163), 4S7YSG, 5A1AL, 5H3ME, 5N6/YL2SW, 5R8VB, 5U5U,
5X1VB, 5Z4/UA4WHX, 6O0LA, 6V7S, 7O6T, 7Q7VB, 7Z7AB, 8R1AK, 9H1SP, 9J2VB,
9U0VB, 9X0VB, 9X0ZM, A35JP/H (OC-169), A52IVU, C31KC, C37AC, C91VB,
CE1/UA4WHX, CE2/UA4WHX, CE3/UA4WHX, CE6/UA4WHX, CE8/UA4WHX, CP1/UA4WHX,
CP2/UA4WHX, CP4BT, CP6/UA4WHX, CR6K, CT3FT, CT9/DJ8OG, D20VB, D44TS, D60VB,
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JY9FC, K4L (NA-067), K6VVA/KL7 (NA-050), KL7RRC (NA-059), LU/UA4WHX,
OA4/UA4WHX, OA7/UA4WHX, OP2A, OX/DL3GCS, OY/DL3UB, PJ2/DL8OBQ, PJ2/G3TXF,
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TT8TT, TU5DF, UA4WHX/CX, UK8ZC, UW1ZC/JW, V44KAI, V6G, VU3RWP, XW0YJY,
XZ1Z, YB3MM/p (OC-217), YB8BRI/p (OC-236), YW5X (SA-054), Z21LV, Z24EA,
ZA/UA4WHX, ZB2CN, ZB2JK.

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21847. 425 DX Calendar - #1175

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21848. spotter

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-09 14:22:51 UTC
From: dale cole
Topic: 21848 Message: 21848

Someone once said they had a certain "heard-in" spotter filtered out. I did not write the procedure down. Anybody help?
Dale K8TS

21849. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-09 15:30:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21849

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:Issued: 2013 Nov 09 1411 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 31109
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 09 Nov 2013, 1411UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 09 Nov 2013 until 11 Nov 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Active (M-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Active conditions expected (A>=20 or K=4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Warning condition (activity levels expected to increase, but no numeric
forecast given)
PREDICTIONS FOR 09 Nov 2013 10CM FLUX: 144 / AP: 022
PREDICTIONS FOR 10 Nov 2013 10CM FLUX: 144 / AP: 005
PREDICTIONS FOR 11 Nov 2013 10CM FLUX: 146 / AP: 004
COMMENT: Only three weak C-class flares were reported since the previous bulletin.
However, Catania sunspot group 35 (NOAA AR 1890) keeps the beta-gamma-delta
configuration of its photospheric magnetic field. We therefore expect the
flaring activity to continue on the M-level, with an X-class flare being
possible but unlikely. Due to the position of the Catania sunspot group 35
(NOAA AR 1890) right to the west of the solar central meridian, a warning
condition for a proton event is maintained. Currently the proton flux at
energies above 10 MeV is slowly growing, but this growth is most probably
due to earlier eastern hemisphere events and is not expected to lead to a
proton event. Since late November 8, the Earth is inside a region of
elevated interplanetary magnetic field (IMF) magnitude (up to 17 nT),
probably representing an ICME. The corresponding solar CME is not clear at
the moment. The solar wind speed remained low (around 400-450 km/s), so
only active (K = 4, Dourbes, IZMIRAN, NOAA) to minor storm (K = 5, IZMIRAN)
geomagnetic conditions were reported. Currently the solar wind speed
reaches 530 km/s, and the IMF magnitude is still increased (around 10 nT),
so active geomagnetic conditions are still possible.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 077, BASED ON 15 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 08 Nov 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 172
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 146
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 015
AK WINGST : 005
ESTIMATED AP : 005
ESTIMATED ISN : 100, BASED ON 20 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
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NONE
END
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21850. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-10 15:30:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21850

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:Issued: 2013 Nov 10 1309 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 31110
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 10 Nov 2013, 1311UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 10 Nov 2013 until 12 Nov 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Active (M-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Warning condition (activity levels expected to increase, but no numeric
forecast given)
PREDICTIONS FOR 10 Nov 2013 10CM FLUX: 150 / AP: 013
PREDICTIONS FOR 11 Nov 2013 10CM FLUX: 152 / AP: 003
PREDICTIONS FOR 12 Nov 2013 10CM FLUX: 156 / AP: 005
COMMENT: Catania sunspot group 35 (NOAA AR 1890) produced an X1.1 flare peaking at
05:14 UT today. The flare was accompanied by coronal dimmings and a post-
eruption arcade observed by SDO/AIA, indicating the eruption of a CME.
Regarding space coronagraphs, only the data from COR2 onboard STEREO A is
available at the moment of writing, and it confirms that the CME did take
place. However, the COR2 data does not allow us to evaluate the CME
propagation direction with a sufficient accuracy. It is clear that the bulk
of the CME material propagates southward of the ecliptic plane, but the
position of the source active region close to the solar central meridian
indicates that the CME might arrive at the Earth. We will update the
information on the CME direction when the SOHO/LASCO data becomes
available. Catania sunspot group 35 (NOAA AR 1890) keeps the beta-gamma-
delta configuration of its photospheric magnetic field, although the delta-
spot continues to weaken. We expect flaring activity at the M-level in this
group, with an X-class flare possible but unlikely. The position of the
group in the western solar hemisphere leads us to maintain the warning
condition for a proton event. The proton flux at energies above 10 MeV is
currently above the background (due to earlier eastern hemisphere events),
but it did not react to the above-mentioned CME/flare event and currently
remains below the proton event threshold. The Earth is currently inside a
fast (around 580 km/s) solar wind flow with average (around 5 nT)
interplanetary magnetic field (IMF) magnitude. The fast flow probably
originats from a small equatorial coronal hole that passed the solar
central meridian on November 7. Yesterday's interval of elevated IMF
magnitude (that led to active to minor storm geomagnetic conditions)
probably represents a small-scale transient at the interplanetary sector
boundary. Due to average values of the IMF magnitude, we expect quiet to
unsettled (K < 4) geomagnetic conditions in the coming hours.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 077, BASED ON 15 STATIONS.
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SOLAR INDICES FOR 09 Nov 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 148
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 022
AK WINGST : 018
ESTIMATED AP : 020
ESTIMATED ISN : 076, BASED ON 19 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
10 0508 0514 0518 S14W13 X1.1 2B 360 35/1890 II/2
END

21851. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1136

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-10 17:39:38 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 21851 Message: 21851

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Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 3rd-November, through Sunday, 10th-November there were 237 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3B9, 3D2, 3DA, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5A, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5W, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9U, 9V, 9X, 9Y, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C5, C6, C9, CE, CE0Y, CE0Z, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E6, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FH, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FO/a, FR, FS, FW, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HC8, HH, HI, HK, HK0/a, HL, HP, HR, HS, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J5, J6, J7, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JY, K, KH0, KH2, KH6, KH9, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ5, PJ7, PY, PZ, S2, S5, S7, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T33, T5, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TN, TR, TT, TU, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VP2E, VP2M, VP2V, VP5, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VR, VU, XE, XT, XU, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YJ, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, Z8, ZA, ZB, ZD7, ZD8, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS, ZS8

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

3B8, MAURITIUS (Reminder). Serge, UU5WW, will be active as 3B8/UU5WW from Mauritius Island between November 17-30th. Activity will be holiday style, mostly CW on 80-10 meters, and an entry in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November

23-24th). He states that he will use low power and simple antennas. There is a possibility of him trying 160m. QSL via K2PF (OQRS preferred). A Web site is now active at: http://www.3b8-uu5ww.com

3V, TUNISIA. Alex, G0DHZ, will be travelling to Tunis again, and he will be leaving QTH at midnight on November 17th for a 4 weeks stay. However, Alex was informed by Ashraf that the rules have been changed there, and activity during the week is NOT allowed any more, so the hotel activity will only be on the weekends. He will sign 3V8SS and plans to be on 80-10 meters, especially 30/17/12 meters, using CW and SSB. Also, look for activity in the contests. Here are a few of the suggested frequencies:
CW - 3514, 7020, 10110, 14020, 18090, 21020 and 24900 kHz
(he does have a sked on 14052)
SSB - 7117, 14220 and 21220 kHz
Alex also mentions, "Don't know about 160m, if possible I will do what I can..... I've been asked to look at some antenna repairs, and can only hope a weekday for that.... same QRG for 28/29m.......ref times looks like anytime after 10am UTC.....like before, I will take eQSL cards and Bureau ones as well as direct."

4S0, SRI LANKA. Members of Radio Society of Sri Lanka will be active using the special callsign 4S0CGM between now and November 30th. Activity is commemorating the "23rd Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting" (CHOGM 2013) in Colombo. Activity will be on the HF bands. QSL via Bureau or direct to: RSSL, P.O. Box 907, Colombo, Sri Lanka.

4S, SRI LANKA. Sigi, DL7DF, will lead a team of operators to activate Sri Lanka (AS-003) next year between March 10-23rd. Operators mentioned are Manfred/DK1BT, Csaba/DH7KU, Tom/DJ6TF, Manfred/DK1BT, Georg/DK7LX, Wolf/DL4WK, Sigi/DL7DF, Juergen/DL7UFN, Frank/DL7UFR, Jan/SP3CYY and Leszek/SP3DOI. Pilot station for this DXpedition is Bernd, DF3CB. A callsign has not yet been announced. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using several stations, operating CW and SSB. One station will be exclusively dedicated to RTTY, PSK31 and SSTV. Equipment will consist of 4 transceivers (3 x K2, 1 x FT857D), 2 x 18 m lowband vertical, a delta-loop vertical for 40m, a delta-loop vertical for 30m, 2 spiderbeam for 20/17/15/12/10m, a 5 element yagi for 6m and some beverage antennas. QSL via DL7DF, direct or by the Bureau. They will upload the full logs of the DXpedition to LoTW within 6 months after the DXpedition. For more details and updates, visit: http://www.dl7df.com/4s7/index.php

4X, ISRAEL. Arthur, 4X4DZ, will be active as 4X2M during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (20m) entry. QSL via his home callsign.

5J0, SAN ANDRES ISLAND. By the time you read this, members of the "DX Friends" from San Andres Island (NA-033) as 5J0R should be going QRT. As of 0212z on November 10th, they made 70049 QSOs with 20509 Unique callsigns. QSL via EA5RM direct (see Web page). You can use the OQRS (see Web page) for direct and Bureau cards. Visit their Web page at: http://www.dxfriends.com/SanAndres2013

AH0, MARIANA ISLANDS. Operators Jussi-Pekka/OH6RX and Esa/OH7WV will be active as AH0K from Tinian Island, Northern Mariana Islands (OC-086), during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) as a Multi-2 entry. Activity outside the contest will be on the HF bands and possibly on the 6 meter band. QSL via OH6GDX.

B4, CHINA. Operators: Dale/BA4TB, Xu/BA8IK, He/BH4RQU and Tony/BH4SQE will active as B4TB during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) as a Multi-Single/High-Power entry. QSL via BA4TB.

FRENCH AFRICAN ISLAND TOUR (Reminder). Armin, DK9PY, who was active this past week as FH/DK9PY Mayotte Island (AF-027), will now be active from Reunion Island (AF-016) as FR/DK9PY between November 11-22nd. Activity will be mainly CW on 40-10 meters about 12 kHz from the lower edge of each band. There will be a focus on the 30/17/12 meter bands. If his location permits, Armin will also try 160 and 80 meters. QSL via his home callsign.

CN, MOROCCO. Andy, DL3YM, will be active as CN2YM from the QTH of Abdou, CN8VO, in Agadir, between November 18-24th. Activity will be on all HF bands CW only. Main focus of the operation will be an entry in the CQWW CW DX Contest (November 23-24th), probably as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power/Assisted entry. QSL via DL3YM.

CN2, MOROCCO. Members of the "UA2F Contest Club" and Amateur Radio Club ROSTO (RL3A) will be active as CN2AA during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Multi-Single entry. Operators mentioned are Dmitry/RA3ATX (CN2CO), Alex/RN2FA (CN2FA), Sergey/RX3APM (CN2PM), Dmitri/UA2FB (CN2FB), Victor/UA2FM (CN2TX) and Vladimir/UA2FF (CN2FF). QSL via UA2FM and LoTW. Look for activity before and after the contest by the operators using their own personal callsign.

DXCC NEWS. Bill Moore, NC1L, ARRL Awards Branch Manager, reports that the following operation is approved for DXCC credit:
T6SM - Afghanistan; Operations beginning August 14, 2012, to current.

DXCC NEWS. Bill Moore, NC1L, ARRL Awards Branch Manager, reports: "This is a reminder to all DXCC program participants that the deadline for the 2013 calendar year ends on Tuesday December 31, 2013. In order to appear in the Annual Listing, published in the electronic version of the DXCC Yearbook, you must have your submission postmarked no later than December 31, 2013. Since the DXCC workload usually peaks around this time each year I recommend that applicants not wait until the last minute to get their submissions in. Besides being the heavy period for DXCC, keep in mind that it is also around the holidays so the post office can contribute to any delays in getting mail to DXCC." For more and complete details, see the DXCC Blog at: http://www.arrl.org/dxcc-blog

EF8, CANARY ISLANDS. Mauri, EA8CMX/OHBYS, will be active as EF8S during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (160m)/Low-Power entry. PLEASE NOTE: He may change to 80 or 40 meters, depending the conditions, or also Multi-Op operation. QSL via OH2BYS.

EF9, CEUTA AND MELILLA. Juan, EA5BM, will be active as EF9O during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via EA5BM.

FM/TO7, MARTINIQUE. Dimitry, UT5UGR, will once again be active as FM/KL7WA from Martinique (NA-107) between November 18-26th. Activity is usually on all HF bands except 30/17/12m and the Digital modes. Look for him to be active during the CQWW DX CW Contest 9November 23-24th) signing as TO7A and as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL both callsigns via UT5UGR.

FS, ST. MARTIN. Jules, FG1JD, will be active as FS/FG1JD from St. Martin between November 25-30th. Activity will be on 40/20/15 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via his home callsign.

GU, GUERNSEY (Update). Bob, GU4YOX, will be active during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (20m)/High-Power/ Non-Assisted entry. QSL via GU4YOX, direct or LoTW.

HC, ECUADOR. Mau, IZ1DPS, is currently active as HC2IMP from Ecuador until May 1st, 2014, Activity has been on 17/12/10 meters CW this past week. QSL via IK2DUW.

IOTA NEWS.....
AF-018. Operator Raffaele, IH9YMC, will be active from Pantelleria Island (IIA TP-001, MIA MI-124, WW Loc. JM56XT), African Italy, during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) as a Single-Op/ Single-Band (??) entry. QSL via eQSL.

AS-008. Takeshi "TAKE", JI3DST, will be active as JI3DST/1 from Shikine Island (North Izu Island) between 0600z, November 21st and 0000z, November 25th. Activity will be on 40/30/20/17/15/12/10 meters using CW, SSB, FM, RTTY, PSK31 and JT65A. He will also be an entry in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th). QSL via JI3DST (see QRZ.com for details). ADDED NOTE: In case of heavy rain or other conditions, the operation condition may vary.

AS-049. Takeshi "TAKE", JI3DST, will be active as JI3DST/6 from Kuchino Island (Tokara Island) between 0600z, December 28th and 0000z, January 5th (2014). Activity will be on 160/80/(75)/40/30/20/ 17/15/12/10 meters using CW, SSB, FM, RTTY, PSK31 and JT65A. QSL via JI3DST (see QRZ.com for details). ADDED NOTE: In case of heavy rain or other conditions, the operation condition may vary.

EU-129. Operators Matthias/DK7LV, Ric/DL2VFR, Klaus/DL2YBG, Friedrich/ DL4BBH and Klaus/DL7UXG will be active using the special call- sign DM50IOTA from Usedom Island between November 15-18th. QSL via DL2VFR, by the Bureau or direct.

OC-098. Andy, AB7FS/E51AND, and his XYL Kathy, who moved to Rarotonga Island (OC-013) this year, are planning an operation to Pukapuka Island (OC-098) sometime in August of 2014. Look for more details to be forthcoming.

OC-133. Saty, JE1JKL, will be active as 9M6NA from Labuan Island, East Malaysia, during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via LoTW, or to JE1JKL, by the Bureao or direct. To see his station, visit: http://jsfc.org/je1jkl/9m6na.html

OC-157. Just a reminder that a team of 8 operators will be active as YB8V from the rare Banda Besar Island between November 10-15th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using CW and SSB. The operators mentioned are Joppy/YB8XM (Team Leader), Marthin/YB8VM, Danny/ YC8VDT, Richard/YD8VSR, Agustinus/YD8VRA, G. Saiya/YD8VRS, Fransicus/YC8VFB and Robert/YC0MVP. Watch the following Blog page for updates at: http://oc157.blogspot.co.uk

SA-035. (Postponed) A group of YL operators that were expected to be active as YW5RYL from Los Roques between November 7-10th, had to postpone their DXpedition until further notice. For complete details, visit: http://yw5ryl.hamradioyv.com

SA-018. Members of the "Radio Club Provincial Llanquihue" (CE7LL) will be active as 3G7PM from Guafo Island between February 23-28th (2014). Operation is valid for Antarctic Challenge and must be counted as Chiloe Province. More details are forthcoming. For updates, see: http://www.ce7ll.cl

SA-088. Fabio, PP5BZ, will be active as ZW5W from Fora Island (DIB SC-10) between December 6-9th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via his home callsign.

JW, SVALBARD. Jon, LA8HGA, will once again be active as JW8HGA from Spitsbergen Island (EU-026, WLOTA 0125) between November 15-18th. Activity will be on 160-10 meters with an emphasis on the higher bands and mostly CW, but possibly some SSB. QSL via his home callsigns, direct or by the Bureau. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW.

KH6/KH7, HAWAII. Fred, NA2U, will be operating from Volcano on the Big Island between November 19-24th. Activity prior to CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th), Fred will sign as KH6/NA2U and operate primarily on CW, with possibly some time devoted to SSB and RTTY. In the CQWW DX CW Contest, he will operate as KH7M. QSLs for KH6/NA2U are via LoTW or direct with SASE. QSLs for KH7M requested from U.S.A./Canada are direct to KH6ZM. QSLs for KH7M from all other countries to I0MWI direct. NO BUREAU CARDS.

KH8, AMERICAN SAMOA (Reminder). Bill, N6MW, is expected to be active here between November 11-21st. Callsign was never made public. Operators John/ 9M6XRO, Masa/JH3PRR, Kip/W6SZN, Aki/ZL1GO and Jacky/ZL3CW, will join Bill/ N6MW in an operation from the Turtle and Shark Lodge, Village of Vaitogi, on the southeast coast of Tutuila Island (OC-045, USI AS007S, WLOTA 4385) and using the special event callsign W8A between November 12-26th. For more details, see OPDX.1110/1114/1116/1135. Their operations will also include the CQWW DX CW Contest signing N8A as a Multi-2 entry. For more details and updates, watch the N8A Web page at: http://www.n8a.eu

Also, watch their FaceBook page at:
https://www.facebook.com/N8a2013AmericanDXpedition

KH9, WAKE ISLAND. The "K9W Wake Atoll Commemorative DXpedition"
continues to be active until November 15th (Wake Island time). The log
is being posted on the Web page below and on the ClubLog Web page at:
https://secure.clublog.org/charts/?c=K9W
The log shows as of 1752z, November 9th, that they have worked a total
of 66414 QSOs and 17236 Unique Callsigns. Breakdown is 36491/CW, 27384/SSB
and 2539/RTTY. Breakdown by Continent is 441/AF, 3/AN, 23113/AS, 15794/EU,
23532/NA, 2336/OC and 1195/SA.
An OQRS will be available by ClubLog (Highly Recommended). This is the
preferred method to use for your QSL confirmation. After the DXpedition
ends you can order either a direct or Bureau QSL card using the OQRS
online QSL service provided by ClubLog. For sending direct QSL requests,
the mailing address is: Wake Island DXpedition, P.O. Box 5005, Lake Wylie,
SC 29710 USA (See detail on their Web page). QSLing by the Bureau is via
AA4NN. Logs will be posted on LoTW 6 months after the conclusion of the
DXpedition. NO eQSL. For more details and updates, visit the K9W Web page
at: http://www.wake2013.org

NH2, GUAM (OC-026). Joel, KG6DX, will be active as NH2DX in the CQWW DX
CW Contest (November 23-24th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (15m)/High-Power/
Assisted entry. QSL via NH2DX, CBA or QRZ.com address. NO Bureau QSLs.

NP2, U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS. Yuriy, N2TTA, will once again be active from
here, but as NP2P during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) as a
Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL via LoTW.

NP4, PUERTO RICO. Felipe, NP4Z, will be active during the CQWW DX CW
Contest (November 23-24th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via N4AO.

P3, CYPRUS. Stavros, 5B4AFM, will be active as P3Z during the CQWW DX CW
Contest (November 23-24th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (??) entry. QSL via
LoTW and ClubLog (preferred).

PJ4, BONAIRE. Operators Scott/W4PA, Norman/WF7T and Ward/N0AX will be
active as PJ4Q from Bonaire Island (SA-006) between November 18-27th.
Activity will be on 160-10 meters, with a focus on 160/30/17/12 meters,
using CW and SSb. They will also be active during the CQWW DX CW Contest
(November 23-24th) as a Multi-2 entry. QSL via W4PA.

PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (November 11-17th)....
Nov/11th HN Nov/14th AN Nov/16th AN
Nov/12th AN Nov/15th AN Nov/17th AN
Nov/13th AN

SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS/INDEXES AND GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE
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NORMALITY GEOMAG K Values Alpha
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AN - Above Normal Quiet K=0-1 0-7

HN - High Normal Unsettled K=2 8-15
LN - Low Normal Active K=3 16-29
BN - Below Normal Minor Storm K=4 30-49
DIS - Disturbed Major Storm K=5 50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed Severe Storm K=6-9 100-400

PY0F, FERNANDO DE NORONHA. Andre, PP6ZZ/PY7CW, will once again be active as PY0FF from Fernando de Noronha Island between November 11-26th. His activity will include CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) as a Single-Op and possibly as an All-Band or Single-Band entry. QSL via W9VA.

PZ, SURINAME. Will, ON4AVT, will be active as PZ5VC from Suriname during March 1-28th, 2014. Activity will be on the HF bands, but mostly PSK31/63. QSL via his home callsign, by the Bureau or eQSL.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (November 10th)

5B/YU7CM via YU7CM FR/HB9LCA via HB9LCA SV8/DK3SJ via DK3SJ
5W7X via JF1OCQ HA40QRP via HA6NL T6/ZS5ADU via ZS5ADU (d)
C4Z via G3SWH IH9B via IK2ILH TC75ATA via TA4ARB
C91KHN via ZS6ALB (d) K5WA via KG5U UF6VW via R3DO
CT9/DK6QW via DK6QW OE100HO via HB9DAR UP44WFF via UN6QC
E75C via E73Y OO2O via ON4LDI VP2MMN via DF8AN
EA6/DL7AFY via DL7AFY OZ/OX3FV via OX3FV W8/UR5KHK via UR5KHK
EA8/DH2MS via DH2MS PA200NL via PA3CAL XE2JS via AD6D
EA8/DJ5AA via DJ5AA PJ2/YV1DIG via YV1DIG YJ0ZS via JA2ZS
EA8/DL2DXA via DL2DXA PJ6/W4VAB via W4VAB YL11WCA via YL2IU
EN70KYIV via UT4UP S506PMC via S59DCD
FH/DK9PY via DK9PY SC7IPA via SM7GUY
(e) eQSL only (d) direct only (B) Bureau only (L) LoTW only

NOT THE QSL MANAGER/ROUTE (Update/Retraction). Last week we reported that Petr, OK1DOT, announced that RW6HS is not the QSL Manager for several listed DX stations in OPDX.1135. Since then, we now are reporting to disregard that information. It would seem that there is some kind of problem/feud between Petr, OK1DOT, and Vasiliy, RW6HS. Through certain sources, it has come to light that the list of stations mentioned refute the claims of OK1DOT, and even several of the stations have stated that RW6HS is their QSL Manager and are very pleased with his services. OPDX would expect when receiving information from the ham community that the details are being sent honestly and correctly, especially if the ham is well known. Apparently this was not the case.

Z21DXI ONLINE LOG (ClubLog). Tom, SP5UAF, reports: "For some years we had our own online log, but since the first Z21DXI activity in 2002 many new great HAM tools appeared. So after some emails with Mirek, SP5IXI, it was decided to upload all Z21DXI QSOs to the ClubLog. Thanks to G7VJR for all ClubLog fantastic tools and features. Z21DXI log is now available at ClubLog together with the OQRS tool (for bureau or direct cards). Log will be updated every few days.

<https://secure.clublog.org/logsearch/Z21DXI>"

ZC4LI LOG UPDATE. Phil, G3SWH, reports: "Just a quick note to let you know the current status of Steve, ZC4LI's, and current logs. I have uploaded to both LoTW and Club Log all the logs that I can find for: 5B4/G0LII, 5B4AHA, C4C, G0LII, G7G, G8G, M0ADU, MX0ADU and ZD8LII. There are log searches available for all these calls on my Web site: http://www.g3swh.org.uk
Steve was not an RSGB member and following the decision by the RSGB QSL Bureau not to process outgoing cards for non members, paper QSLs for this station are ONLY available DIRECT or via the OQRS facility on my Web site. I am still working on the log for ZC4LI as it consists of several hundred individual files in a variety of different formats and it is taking a lot of time to convert it to a single format. It should be available in a few weeks time. 73 for now....."

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: C31BO, C82DX, CU6GT, CX2DK, FY5KE, K4L, LW0F, R863LC, TF3CY, TX5RV, VP9/DJ4EL and YT2T

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 4S7YSG, 5U5U, 9H1SP, A52IVU, C37AC, PJ2/G3TXF, PJ4/G3TXF, TL0A, TT8/US3EZ, TT8TT, TU5DF, VU3RWP, XW0YJY, Z24EA and ZS6/OE1ZKC

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 3DA0VB, 4K0VB, 4L0B, 5H3VMB, 5R8VB, 5X1VB, 5Z4/UA4WHX, 7Q7VB, 9J2VB, 9U0VB, 9X0VB, C91VB, CR2X, D20VB, D60VB, EF1HQ, HG0X, HG2011N, HU2DX, J20VB, OD5/UA4WHX, ST2VB, V51VV and Z2/UA4WHX

RL110, EUROPEAN RUSSIA (Special Event). Look for special event station RL1110RAEM to be active between December 1-31st. Activity is to celebrate 110th anniversary of Ernst Krenkel (RAEM) a famous Soviet polar explorer. QSL Manager is RK3AW. QSL is OK via Bureau, eQSL, direct (please no "green stamps" - only new style IRCs). Sorry no LoTW. All direct requests without a contribution will be answered via Bureau. More details about the special event and Ernst Krenkel are available at: http://raem110.ru

T32, EAST KIRIBATI (Update). Members of the Russian Robinson Club's that will be active as T32RC between December 4-11th, announced this past week: "T32RC would like to announce our intention of participating in the ARRL 160 meter Contest occurring on December 6th thru December 8th, 2013. We have been able to acquire a 160 meter vertical antenna as well as beverage receiver antennas which we intend to deploy during our stay on Christmas Island. Our goal is to work as many North America stations as possible during the ARRL contest. Before and after the contest we will try to work those (ie. EU) that didn't have a chance to work us on 160 meters during the contest." Operators mentioned at this time are Tim/NL8F, Dick/N7RO, Dean/KW7XX, David/AH6HY and Paula/NX1P. QSL via N7RO, direct or by the Bureau. The OQRS on ClubLog will be available for direct and Bureau requests. T32RC will upload logs to LoTW within six months, or less, of going QRT. For more details and updates, visit: http://www.t32-2013.com
ADDED REMINDER: Tim, NL8F, will be on the island solo between November 27th and December 4th using his own T32 callsign of T32TM. Further instructions will be posted prior to Tim being active. QSL T32TM via K8NA, by

the Bureau or direct.

T33, BANABA ISLAND (Update). The T33A DXpedition to Banaba Island (OC-018) is now active until November 18th. Activity has been on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. They have six stations on the air at two different sites. A OQRS by ClubLog is available and will be the preferred method to use for your QSL confirmation. Logs will be posted to Logbook Of The World (LoTW) approximately 6 months after the conclusion of the DXpedition. Direct QSLs are via W2IJ. QSLs will also be available direct by the Bureau. The log shows as of 2217z, November 9th, that they have worked a total of 39106 QSOs and 12621 Unique Callsigns. Breakdown is 24358/CW, 13261/SSB and 1487/RTTY. Breakdown by Continent is 190/AF, 1/AN, 14805/AS, 7300/EU, 13715/NA, 2105/OC and 990/SA. For more details, visit the T33A Web page at: http://www.t33a.com/index.htm
The T33A DXpedition's Blog page is at: http://banaba2013.wordpress.com
PLEASE NOTE: DXA HAS BEEN SHUT DOWN AND WILL NO LONGER BE USED ON T33A. SATELLITE ISSUES . . . . .

T8, PALAU. Operators Toshiharu/JA3JND and Aki/JR3QFB are now active as T88ON and T88JH, respectively from "West Plaza By The Sea Hotel Rental Shack" on Palau Islands (OC-009) until November 12th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via their home callsign.

TO0, GUADELOUPE (NA-102). Members of the FG4KI Radio Club will be active from Guadeloupe using the callsign TO0MT between November 18th and December 1st. Activity is taking place during the arrival of the Transatlantic Race "Mini Transat" - between Douarnenez, France, to Pointe a Pitre, Guadeloupe. Operators mentioned are François/FG4NW, Burt/FG8OJ, Jean/FG8NY and Philippe/FG1PP. QSL via eQSL and LoTW only.

V4, ST. KITTS. Operators Bernie/W3UR (Editor of The Daily DX, The Weekly DX and ARRL's How's DX?) and his Dad Tony/N3ME will be heading to St. Christopher Island (NA-104) sometime next year between late January and early February. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. Tony and Bernie will be active in their spare time, usually in the early morning and late afternoon/early evening time frame. Tony enjoys RTTY and SSB while Bernie prefer CW and 160 meters. Bernie states that more details will be forthcoming.

VK0, ANTARCTICA. Gerry, G3WIP, is now active as VK0GB from the Casey Base Station (WAP AUS-02) in the Antarctica until February 2014. Suggested frequencies are 7195, 14315, 18130 and 21300 kHz about 1730z and 0930z. For more info and updates, watch the Worldwide Antarctic Program (WAP) Web page at: http:// www.waponline.it

VP9, BERMUDA. Operators Kurt/W6PH and Bob/WA1Z will be active as VP9I from Ed/VP9GE's QTH on Bermuda (NA-005) during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) as a Multi-Single/Low-Power entry. QSL via LoTW or WW3S (see QRZ.com). Before the contest, they will be signing VP9/homecall starting late Wednesday November 20th as time permits. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW only. QSL non-contest QSOs via their home callsigns. WA1Z's log will also be uploaded to LoTW. W6PH's log will

not be on LoTW.

VU7, LAKSHADWEEP ISLANDS (Update to OPDX.1135). The team of operators planning to be active as VU7AG from Agatti Island (AS-011) sometime between November 20th and December 10th, have updated their suggested frequencies list to now include 80 meters SSB and RTTY operations. The updated suggested frequencies are:
CW - 1812, 3512, 7012, 10112, 14012, 18082, 21012, 24902 and 28012 kHz
SSB - 3680, 7095, 14180, 18155, 21280, 24955 and 28480 kHz
RTTY - 3584, 7032, 10142, 14082, 18092, 21092, 24922 and 28092 kHz

SPECIAL NOTES: They will always be operating split. Please listen to operator instructions carefully.
CW: 2-10 KHz up SSB: 5-15 KHz up RTTY: 2-10 KHz up

Another callsign has been issued for demonstration purposes on Kavaratti Island ☐ VU7KA. This would be used only briefly when team members make presentations to the local administration in Kavaratti and educate them on amateur radio. QSL Manager is Krish, W4VKU, direct or by the Bureau (see details on the Web page). An Online QSL Request System (OQRS) will be available for all your QSL requests. OQRS will be enabled soon after the expedition. For Logbook of The World (LoTW): QSOs would be uploaded to LoTW in approximately 6 months time. The following Web page has been set up, and contains bios of operators, QSL details, frequencies and a survey. Visit the VU7AG page at: http://www.vu7ag.info

XR0, JUAN FERNANDEZ. By the time you read this, operators Fabrizio/IW3SQY, Franco/IZ8GCE, Josep/EA3AKY, Art/WA7NB, Les/SP3DOI, Paolo/IV3DSH and Dino/CE3PG should be active as XR0ZR from Robinson Crusoe Island (SA-005, DICE ICE-004, WLOTA 0153, WWFF CEFF-003) until November 20th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY, with four stations on the air. QSL via IV3DSH, direct or by the Bureau. ClubLog's OQRS will be available (preferred QSLing). Log will be uploaded to LoTW after 6 months. For more details, visit the XR0ZR Web page or the following media links at:
Website : http://www.juanfernandez2013.com
FaceBook : https://www.facebook.com/groups/xr0zr/
Twitter : @xr0zr

XV, VIETNAM. Retu, OH4MDY (OX3RZ/XU7MDY/XV2MDY), will once again be active as XV2RZ from Southeast Vietnam between November 23rd and December 8th. Activity will be on 20-6 meters using the "normal modes" (CW and SSB). QSL only direct via OH4MDY with a SASE and 2 USDs. His log will be available online at: http://www.clublog.org

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XZ, MYANMAR (Remember). Zorro, JH1AJT, and a group of operators will be on the air from Nay Pyi Taw again between November 15-26th. This will be

the third and final run for 2013 from XZ-land. Proposed callsign is XZ1J
this time, and they plan to set up three to four stations, run 24/7 on
160-10 meters using CW, SSB, and RTTY. QSL: OQRS preferable.

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Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@...?subject=unsubscribe>
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SPECIAL PRIZE THIS YEAR - ROUND TRIP AND ACCOMMODATIONS TO BOSTON TO
ATTEND THE WRTC 2014 TO THE WINNERS SOAB AND ONE OF THE OPERATORS OF
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Dear contesters:
During the next last full weekend of December 12:00 UTC Dec 28 till
12:00 UTC Dec 29, we are going to have the second edition of the World
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support of other Brazilian Contest Groups and LABRE.

It is a unique opportunity to exercise your operational abilities on
three modes CW,PHONE and RTTY in one single 24 hours competition.

The main objectives of the competition is:
· To promote the union of all radio amateurs in the world.
· To promote, CW, PHONE and DIGITAL modes to the entire ham radio

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· To promote the integration of different mode operators around the world.
· To promote the integration of IT technologies with the Ham Radio competition.
· To promote and stimulate the ability for contest planning
· To drastically shorten the time for log submission and results publication.
· To create contest alternatives for ham competition.

All the contest world community is invited to participate of the competition, and the Brazilian contesters will be honored to insert your call in their logs.

The rules are available at:
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We recommend the use of the following contest softwares
N1MM - WWIH Contest
TR4W - WWIH (World Wide Iron Ham Contest) download TR4W_setup_244c_mmtty.zip
http://tr4w.com/download/mmtty

Regards
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21852. RE: [DX-IS] 5J0R - K9W QRG conflict

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-11 08:28:06 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 21818 Message: 21852

Hey Roberto,

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Called a number of times this morning on 17m SSB but gave up after 15 minutes, I guess the piles are still high.

73, Lance – VK6DU

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Roberto Rey
Sent: Friday, 8 November 2013 10:04 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] 5J0R - K9W QRG conflict

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Yahoo Groups Links

21853. Re: [DX-IS] 5J0R - K9W QRG conflict

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-11 15:13:45 UTC
From: Roberto Rey
Topic: 21818 Message: 21853

Hi Lance,

Sorry they are QRT now.. I hope you got it the log,,,, 73 de Rob HK3CW / 5J0R

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Yahoo Groups Links

21854. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-11 15:30:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21854

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:Issued: 2013 Nov 11 1417 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 31111
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 11 Nov 2013, 1411UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 11 Nov 2013 until 13 Nov 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Major flares expected (X-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Warning condition (activity levels expected to increase, but no numeric
forecast given)
PREDICTIONS FOR 11 Nov 2013 10CM FLUX: 155 / AP: 016
PREDICTIONS FOR 12 Nov 2013 10CM FLUX: 157 / AP: 013
PREDICTIONS FOR 13 Nov 2013 10CM FLUX: 160 / AP: 018
COMMENT: The strongest flare in the past 24 hours was an M2.4 flare (peaked at 11:18
UT today) originating from the NOAA AR 1895, which just appeared from
behind the east solar limb. From the current data it is not possible to say
if the flare was associated with the CME. Two most complex sunspot groups,
at the moment, are NOAA AR 1895 situated close to the East solar limb which
produced M-class flare this morning and Catania sunspot group 35 (NOAA AR
1890) which retains the beta-gamma-delta configuration of its photospheric
magnetic field. Both active regions have the potential for producing
M-class flares and possibly also X-class flare. Since the Catania sunspot
group 35 (NOAA AR 1890) is situated in the western solar hemisphere we
maintain the warning condition for a proton event. The solar wind speed is
around 500 km/s and the interplanetary magnetic field (IMF) magnitude is
about 5 nT. We expect quiet to unsettled (K < 4) geomagnetic conditions in
the coming hours. The arrival of the halo CME which erupted on November 10
is expected on November 13 resulting in active to minor storm geomagnetic
conditions.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 079, BASED ON 13 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 10 Nov 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 154
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 030
AK WINGST : 016
ESTIMATED AP : 016
ESTIMATED ISN : 077, BASED ON 23 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
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END
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21855. 5J0R DXE

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-11 22:48:20 UTC
From: <w8jmf@...>
Topic: 21818 Message: 21855

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Yahoo Groups Links

21856. Re: [DX-IS] 5J0R DXE

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-12 01:57:41 UTC
From: Roberto Rey
Topic: 21818 Message: 21856

Thanks! It weas enjoyable for us also.. great pileups! Thanks for calling us! 73 de Rob HK3CW / 5J0R
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Yahoo Groups Links

21857. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-12 15:30:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21857

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:Issued: 2013 Nov 12 1322 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 31112
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 12 Nov 2013, 1311UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 12 Nov 2013 until 14 Nov 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Active (M-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Active conditions expected (A>=20 or K=4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Warning condition (activity levels expected to increase, but no numeric
forecast given)
PREDICTIONS FOR 12 Nov 2013 10CM FLUX: 164 / AP: 009
PREDICTIONS FOR 13 Nov 2013 10CM FLUX: 168 / AP: 017
PREDICTIONS FOR 14 Nov 2013 10CM FLUX: 172 / AP: 010
COMMENT: Since the CME-less M2.4 flare which peaked at 11:18 UT on November 11, only
six C-class flares were reported. We expect M-class flares and possibly but
not very probably X-class flares, in particular from the Catania sunspot
group 35 (NOAA AR 1890) and NOAA AR 1897. The Catania sunspot group 35
(NOAA AR 1890) is situated in the western solar hemisphere and still has
the beta-gamma-delta configuration of its photospheric magnetic field,
therefore we maintain the warning condition for a proton event. From the
currently available data it seems that the CME first observed in SOHO/LASCO
C2 field of view at about 08:48 UT on November 12, is possibly Earth-
oriented. This will be confirmed when more data will be available. The
solar wind speed is around 420 km/s and the interplanetary magnetic field
(IMF) magnitude is about 4 nT. We expect quiet geomagnetic conditions in
the coming hours and active geomagnetic conditions late on November 13 due
to arrival of the halo CME which erupted on November 10.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 093, BASED ON 07 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 11 Nov 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 164
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 018
AK WINGST : 021
ESTIMATED AP : 021
ESTIMATED ISN : 078, BASED ON 18 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
11 1101 1118 1130 ////// M2.4 76 ///1897
END
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21858. 5J0R OQRS

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-13 05:08:31 UTC
From: <ve7tk@...>
Topic: 21858 Message: 21858

I see that the 5J0R OQRS is up and functioning. Unfortunately, the date field seems to have the wrong month.

01/10/13 instead of 01/11/13

Probably not a big problem but I hope they get it resolved soon. It was a great expedition and I worked some new ones - including 80 metres. Thanks to all.

73, Rick
VE7TK

21859. Re: [DX-IS] 5J0R OQRS

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-13 13:58:37 UTC
From: Roberto Rey
Topic: 21858 Message: 21859

The issue has been solved.. 73 de HK3CW Rob
----- Original Message -----
From: ve7tk@...
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21860. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-13 15:30:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21860

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:Issued: 2013 Nov 13 1247 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
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SIDC URSIGRAM 31113
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 13 Nov 2013, 1211UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 13 Nov 2013 until 15 Nov 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Active (M-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Active conditions expected (A>=20 or K=4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Warning condition (activity levels expected to increase, but no numeric
forecast given)
PREDICTIONS FOR 13 Nov 2013 10CM FLUX: 164 / AP: 012
PREDICTIONS FOR 14 Nov 2013 10CM FLUX: 166 / AP: 012
PREDICTIONS FOR 15 Nov 2013 10CM FLUX: 162 / AP: 008
COMMENT: The flaring activity during last 24 hours was on the C-class level. The
strongest flare observed was the C 9.8 flare (peaked at 23:08 UT on
November 12) originating from the NOAA AR 1897. We expect flaring of the
C-class and also M-class level, X-class flares are possible but not very
probable. Flaring is expected in particular from the Catania sunspot group
35 (NOAA AR 1890) and NOAA AR 1897. Due to the position of Catania sunspot
group 35 (NOAA AR 1890) we maintain the warning condition for a proton
event. The CME first observed in SOHO/LASCO C2 field of view at about 07:00
UT on November 12, will not arrive at the Earth. The Earth is currently
inside a slow solar wind flow with the speed of about 400 km/s. The
interplanetary magnetic field is stable with the magnitude of 4 nT. The
arrival of the fast solar wind stream from a low-latitude coronal hole in
the northern hemisphere which reached the central meridian today, is
expected late on November 16. The geomagnetic conditions are currently
quiet. We expect active geomagnetic conditions in the following hours due
to arrival of the halo CME which erupted on November 10.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 105, BASED ON 11 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 12 Nov 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 168
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 004
AK WINGST : 002
ESTIMATED AP : 001
ESTIMATED ISN : 102, BASED ON 15 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
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END
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21861. RE: [DX-IS] 5J0R - K9W QRG conflict

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-14 03:59:38 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 21818 Message: 21861

Thanks Rob, managed 1 QSO on 17m RTTY. Would have been nice to hear them on 15/12/10m, oh well, next time.

73, Lance – VK6DU

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Roberto Rey
Sent: Monday, 11 November 2013 11:14 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] 5J0R - K9W QRG conflict

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Hi Lance,

Sorry they are QRT now.. I hope you got it the log,,,, 73 de Rob HK3CW / 5J0R

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From: Lance Martin<mailto:L.Martin@curtin.edu.au>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com<mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Monday, November 11, 2013 3:28 AM
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] 5J0R - K9W QRG conflict

Hey Roberto,
Can you contact the 5J0R guys and ask them to beam around for VK on the high bands every now and then? LP seemed to be working on 17/15m this morning around 2300z but it opens again around 1000z +.
Called a number of times this morning on 17m SSB but gave up after 15 minutes, I guess the piles are still high.
73, Lance – VK6DU
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com<mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com> [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Roberto Rey
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Sent: Friday, November 08, 2013 8:17 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] 5J0R - K9W QRG conflict

I have received confirmation from one of the K9W operators that they did QSY from their announced QRG to 28007 to avoid the pile-up confusion for a while yesterday. When I was listening on 28007 I did not hear the usual frequent K9W identification, so I may have in fact missed them. Check ClubLog at http://www.wake2013.org/pages/log.html

73 ES DX,
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21862. XR0ZR via the poles

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Date: 2013-11-14 04:05:37 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 21862 Message: 21862

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From: Lance Martin
Topic: 21818 Message: 21863

Robert this can happen very innocently.
This morning JD1YBT decide to park 2kcs down from XR0ZR (which I had already found challenging enough to hear with the QRN and Asian CBer on freq).
Then he decided to split, which made the JD1 pile (rather large JA pileup, JD1 is a very rare DXCC entity for Japan apparently) create some very heavy QRM within 1Kc of Juan Fernandez.

It happens, we have to deal with it…without complaining, which is one my biggest challenges… ☹
Apologies to all for putting up with my comments on the cluster… I really need to stop this…

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Date: 2013-11-14 04:46:19 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 21862 Message: 21864

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Date: 2013-11-14 05:08:33 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 21862 Message: 21865

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-14 06:05:31 UTC
From: Steve Chamberlain
Topic: 21862 Message: 21866
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Hi All,

Wow what a difficult one – CE0Z along with CE0X have to be the 2 most difficult spots in the world from VK6. Chile it self is very hard to work also, after many years in\\on Ham Radio I only have a hand full of contacts from Chile. CE0Z is tucked away on the opposite side of Antarctica from VK6. It's a polar path and is usually not open.

I was very lucky and managed a contact on 20m CW with them (No idea how they heard me!) with a true RST of 529 !.. I also managed a contact on 15m SSB, they where even weaker here!

So its possible and I think the VK's that have not made it yet will get there before the week is out.

It been a great expedition so far .

Wake Island has been quite easy from here as Lance said, its on our door step.

Steve
VK6IR

From: Lance Martin
Sent: 14 November, 2013 1:08 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] XR0ZR via the poles

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-14 13:55:11 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 21862 Message: 21867

Amsterdam Is will be interesting for me. It is not a true polar path for me as the beam heading is 126 degrees. Still, it is the further DXCC entity from my QTH, and will be a new one for me if I can get it. S2 and VU7 are both going to be on this month, and I need both, but they are polar paths and a very difficult area to work from my QTH, especially since I don't have a beam any longer. Still trying to fix that. Did get T33A on 40m this AM for a new band country.

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21868. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-14 15:30:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21868

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:Issued: 2013 Nov 14 1204 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
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SIDC URSIGRAM 31114
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 14 Nov 2013, 1211UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 14 Nov 2013 until 16 Nov 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Active (M-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Warning condition (activity levels expected to increase, but no numeric
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PREDICTIONS FOR 14 Nov 2013 10CM FLUX: 172 / AP: 008
PREDICTIONS FOR 15 Nov 2013 10CM FLUX: 174 / AP: 008
PREDICTIONS FOR 16 Nov 2013 10CM FLUX: 168 / AP: 017
COMMENT: The strongest flare observed during last 24 hours was a confined M1.4 flare
(peaked at 15:20 UT, on November 13), originating from the NOAA AR 1897. We
expect C-class and possibly M-class flares, while X-class flares are
possible but not very probable. Catania sunspot group 35 (NOAA AR 1890) is
at the moment close to the west solar limb, therefore, we maintain the
warning condition for a proton event during the following hours. The Earth
is still inside a slow solar wind flow with the speed of about 370 km/s.
The interplanetary magnetic field is stable with the magnitude of about 4
nT. The geomagnetic conditions are quiet and expected to remain so during
the following hours. We expect quiet to active geomagnetic conditions late
on November 16, due to arrival of a fast flow associated with the low-
latitude coronal hole in the northern hemisphere.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 132, BASED ON 05 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 13 Nov 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 171
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 006
AK WINGST : 002
ESTIMATED AP : 002
ESTIMATED ISN : 107, BASED ON 19 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
13 1457 1520 1541 ////// M1.4 ///1897
END
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21869. ARLD046 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-14 22:49:02 UTC
From: jjreisert@...
Topic: 7186 Message: 21869

SB DX @ ARL $ARLD046
ARLD046 DX news

ZCZC AE46
QST de W1AW
DX Bulletin 46 ARLD046
>From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT November 14, 2013
To all radio amateurs

SB DX ARL ARLD046
ARLD046 DX news

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by N7QT, NC1L, QRZ DX, the OPDX Bulletin, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, DXNL, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

MAURITIUS, 3B8. Serge, UU5WW will be QRV as 3B8/UU5WW from November 17 to 30. Activity will be holiday style on 80 to 10 meters using mostly CW. This includes being an entry in the upcoming CQ World Wide DX CW contest. QSL via K2PF.

SWAZILAND, 3DA. A large group of operators will be QRV as 3DA0ET from November 18 to 27. Activity will be on 160 to 6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. This includes being an entry in the upcoming CQ World Wide DX CW contest. QSL via N7RO.

TOGO, 5V. Wim, ON6DX will be QRV as 5V7TH beginning November 18. Activity will be on 40 to 6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. His length of stay is unknown. QSL to home call.

CUBA, CO. Rey, CO6RD is QRV as CO0SS from Sancti Spiritus until the end of the year. Activity is on the HF bands. QSL direct via EA5GL.

GUADELOUPE, FG. Special event station TO0MT will be QRV from November 18 to December 1 to commemorate the 2013 Mini Transat, a transatlantic yacht race between the Canary Islands and Guadeloupe. QSL via operators' instructions.

ST. BARTHELEMY, FJ. Georg, DK7LX will be QRV as FJ/DK7LX until mid December. Activity is holiday style on the HF bands using mainly CW with some RTTY. QSL to home call.

DOMINICA, J7. George, K5KG, Jim, WI9WI, Gus, VO1MP and Charlie, K1XX will be QRV as J75KG, J79WI, J79MP and J79XX, respectively,

from November 16 to 25. Activity will be on the HF bands using primarily CW with some SSB and RTTY. They will be QRV as J73A in the upcoming CQ World Wide DX CW contest. QSL J73A via WI9WI and all others direct to home calls.

HAWAII, KH6. Fred, NA2U will be QRV as KH6/NA2U from Volcano on the Big Island from November 19 to 24. Activity will be on the HF bands using primarily CW with some SSB and RTTY. He will be QRV as KH7M in the upcoming CQ World Wide DX CW contest. US and Canada stations QSL KH7M direct via KH6ZM. All others QSL direct via I0MWI. QSL KH6/NA2U direct to home call.

LEBANON, OD. Sylvain, F5TLN is QRV as OD5/F5TLN until April 2014. Activity is on the HF bands. QSL direct to home call.

ST. MAARTEN, PJ7. Rob, N7QT and Hugh, W4VAB will be QRV as PJ7/N7QT and PJ7/W4VAB, respectively, from November 17 to 24. Activity will be on 80 to 10 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY, PSK and JT65. QSL to home calls.

BANGLADESH, S2. A large group of operators will be QRV as S21ZBC from November 16 to 22. Activity will be on the HF bands. They will also be active as S21ZBB in the upcoming CQ World Wide DX CW contest. QSL via IK2VUC.

COTE d'IVOIRE, TU. Chris, F4WBN, Paul, F6EXV and Jan, DJ8NK will be QRV as TU5AX, TU5XV and TU5NK, respectively, from November 17 to 30. Activity will be on 160 to 6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL to home calls.

ANTARCTICA. Gerry, G3WIP is QRV as VK0GB from Casey Base Station until February 2014. Activity is on 40, 20, 17 and 15 meters using SSB between 1730 and 0930z. QSL to home call.

BURKINA FASO, XT. David, OK6DJ and Petr, OK1FCJ will be QRV as XT26DJ and XT2FCJ, respectively, from Ouagadougou from November 17 to 26. Activity will be on the HF bands using CW and SSB. QSL both calls via OK6DJ.

MYANMAR, XZ. A group of operators are QRV as XZ1J from Nay Pyi Taw until November 26. Activity is on 160 to 10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY with three stations running continuously. QSL via operators' instructions.

SOUTH SUDAN, Z8. A group of operators are QRV as Z81X from Juba until November 28. Activity is on all bands using mainly CW and possibly SSB. This includes being an entry in the upcoming CQ World Wide DX CW contest. QSL via OH0XX.

OPERATION APPROVED FOR DXCC CREDIT. The following operation is approved for DXCC Credit: Wake Island, K9W, 2013 operation.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. ARRL SSB Sweepstakes Contest, ARRL EME Contest, North American Collegiate ARC SSB Championship, NCCC RTTY Sprint, QRP CW Fox Hunt, NCCC Sprint, YO International 80-Meter PSK31 Contest, SARL Field Day Contest, LZ DX Contest, Feld Hell Sprint, All Austrian 160-Meter CW Contest, RSGB 2nd 1.8 MHz CW Contest, EPC BPSK63 QSO Party and the Homebrew and Oldtime Equipment CW Party will certainly keep contesters busy this upcoming weekend. The Run for the Bacon QRP CW Contest is scheduled for November 18. The QRP CW Fox Hunt is scheduled for November 20. Please see November QST, page 87, and the ARRL and WA7BNM contest web sites for details.
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21870. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-15 15:30:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21870

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21871. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-15 17:48:57 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21871

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:Issued: 2013 Nov 15 1638 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 31115
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 15 Nov 2013, 1611UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 15 Nov 2013 until 17 Nov 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Active (M-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Active conditions expected (A>=20 or K=4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 15 Nov 2013 10CM FLUX: 170 / AP: 014
PREDICTIONS FOR 16 Nov 2013 10CM FLUX: 169 / AP: 014
PREDICTIONS FOR 17 Nov 2013 10CM FLUX: 168 / AP: 010
COMMENT: The strongest flare observed during last 24 hours was M1.0 flare (peaked at
02:33 UT, on November 15), originating from the NOAA AR 1899. We expect
C-class flares and possibly also M-class flares in the coming hours. The
solar wind speed is about 350 km/s and the interplanetary magnetic field
magnitude is 4 nT. The Bz component of the interplanetary magnetic field is
fluctuating about -4nT during last 12 hours what might result in the
unsettled to active geomagnetic conditions. The arrival of the fast flow
associated with the low-latitude coronal hole in the northern hemisphere is
expected to result at most in active geomagnetic conditions.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 115, BASED ON 09 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 14 Nov 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : ///
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 008
AK WINGST : 003
ESTIMATED AP : 003
ESTIMATED ISN : 136, BASED ON 12 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
15 0220 0229 0233 N07E52 M1.0 SF 46/1899
END
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21872. ARLP046 Propagation de K7RA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-15 18:51:27 UTC
From: jjreisert@...
Topic: 7199 Message: 21872

SB PROP @ ARL $ARLP046
ARLP046 Propagation de K7RA

ZCZC AP46
QST de W1AW
Propagation Forecast Bulletin 46 ARLP046
>From Tad Cook, K7RA
Seattle, WA November 15, 2013
To all radio amateurs

SB PROP ARL ARLP046
ARLP046 Propagation de K7RA

Solar activity remains robust. Yesterday, Thursday, November 14 the daily sunspot number rose to 234, a number not seen since the last blast of the second peak of the previous solar cycle, exactly a decade ago.

Way back on October 27 through November 1, 2003 the daily sunspot numbers were 238, 230, 330, 293, 266, and 277. That was it. Nothing as high as a sunspot number of 234 since then.

But the average daily sunspot numbers over the past week declined from 131.7 to 126.1, less than six points. A few off days, November 9-11 contributed to the decline, but otherwise sunspot activity over the week was strong, beginning at 159 and 160 on November 7-8. The reporting week did not include yesterday's over-the-top sunspot number. That will show in next week's average.

Solar flux was up nearly eleven points, rising from an average of 146 on October 31 through November 6 to 156.9 in the recent period, November 7-13. The solar flux on Thursday, November 14 was 175.8.

The latest prediction shows solar flux at 175 on November 15-17, 170 on November 18-19, 165 on November 20-21, then 150, 145, 140 and 135 on November 22-25, 130 on November 26-27, 135 on November 28, 140 on November 29-30, 135 on December 1-3, 130 on December 4, 135 on December 5-6, then 130 and 135 on December 7-8 and 140 on December 9-10.

Predicted planetary A index is 8, 12 and 10 on November 15-17, 5 on November 18 through December 3, 8 on December 4, 5 on December 5, 12 on December 6, 10 on December 7-8, 5 on December 9-11 and 8 on December 12-13.

F.K. Janda, OK1HH of the Czech Propagation Interest Group sees the geomagnetic field as quiet on November 15-16, mostly quiet November

17-18, quiet to unsettled November 19-20, quiet again November 21-25, quiet to unsettled November 26-27, active to disturbed November 28, mostly quiet November 29-30, quiet to active December 1-2, mostly quiet December 3, quiet December 4, mostly quiet December 5, quiet to active December 6-8, and quiet December 9-11.

Conditions should be good for the ARRL SSB Sweepstakes Contest this weekend and probably also good for the CQ Worldwide CW DX Contest on the following weekend.

Thanks to Jason Warren, WA2LJW of New Paltz, New York, John Campbell, K4NFE of Huntsville, Alabama, Ron McCollum, W7GTF, way up in the North Cascades in icy Winthrop, Washington and others for the articles in the Wall Street Journal and Washington Post about weakening solar activity. We've heard a lot about this recently, and it seems like a good time to focus instead on the great conditions we have right now!

Terry Glass, N0YXE of Overland Park, Kansas has been excited to hear Japan on 10 meters with his 36 foot end-fed wire, but just as things are getting interesting, his radio is dead and back to the factory authorized service depot it goes.

Here in North America we hear about or even see Aurora Borealis, but down under it is Aurora Australis that appears in the Southern Hemisphere. Check this article about the sky lighting up in Australia:
http://www.theadvocate.com.au/story/1899448/star-struck-colour-show-lights-up-night-sky/?cs=87.

Jon Jones, N0JK of Lawrence, Kansas wrote: "A rare 6 meter F2 opening to the Caribbean and northern South America occurred Saturday morning November 9.

"I got up around 9:50 am CST (1550 UTC) after working the night shift and saw the DX cluster loaded up with 6 meter DX spots. I had just got a M2 loop up in the attic this week as a temporary antenna. Turned on the radio and FM5AN was hitting 40 dB over S-9 on 50.115 MHz! I worked him at 1556 UTC followed by a really loud P43A on 50.120 MHz at 1603 UTC. P43A said I was well over S-9 on the loop. Then packed up the car with the portable antenna and set up about a mile west. By the time I set up, the band was fading and P43A was dropping out at 1630 UTC. I heard K3PA in EM29 also working some of the DX.

"The opening was sparked by 'a gusty stream of solar wind is buffeting Earth's magnetic field, sparking auroras around both of our planet's poles on Nov. 9th.' - http://www.spaceweather.com. The K index was 4."

If you would like to make a comment or have a tip for our readers, email the author at, k7ra@....

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service web page at, http://arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals. For an explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin, see http://arrl.org/the-sun-the-earth-the-ionosphere. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at, http://arrl.org/w1aw-bulletins-archive-propagation. More good information and tutorials on propagation are at http://k9la.us/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://arrl.org/propagation.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of ARRL bulletins are at http://arrl.org/bulletins.

Sunspot numbers for November 7 through 13 were 159, 160, 95, 90, 104, 147, and 128, with a mean of 126.1. 10.7 cm flux was 148, 146, 148.1, 154.1, 163.7, 167.5, and 171, with a mean of 156.9. Estimated planetary A indices were 11, 4, 16, 10, 16, 2, and 3, with a mean of 8.9. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 11, 3, 14, 9, 13, 2, and 2, with a mean of 7.7.
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21873. 425 DX News - #1176

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** DX INFORMATION ****
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3DA - Announced frequencies for the 16-27 November 3DA0ET DXpedition to Swaziland [425DXN 1161] are:
CW 1825 3520 7018 10105 14018 18075 21018 24905 28018
SSB 3790 7085 14180 18145 21180 24960 28480
RTTY 3590 7035 10140 14080 18100 21080 24915 (JA 24922) 28080
A "DXpedition Hot-line" phone number (listed on www.swazidx.org http://www.swazidx.org, along with details about how 6m openings will be handled) has been enabled for sending SMS messages to the expedition pilot (ZS6WB) about any copy of the beacon which will be running 24/7 on 50.450 FM, and for sending any reports about RX of low-band activities. 3DA0ET will use five stations, one dedicated to RTTY. QSL via N7RO direct or bureau, and LoTW. Logsearch on Club Log. [TNX ZS6RJ]
4S - Radio Society of Sri Lanka's special event station 4S0CGM [425DXN 1175] is active to commemorating the 23rd Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting (CHOGM) that is being held in Colombo. In addition, individual operators can append their suffix to special callsigns 4S5CGM, 4S6CGM and 4S7CGM, or append /CGM to their personal callsign during the month of November. [TNX 4S7JL]
4S - Peter, DC0KK will be active again as 4S7KKG from Sri Lanka (AS-003) from 17 November to 15 April 2014. He will operate mainly CW and digital modes. QSL via DC0KK, direct or bureau. Logsearch on Club Log.
9M2 - Once again Rich, PA0RRS will be active as 9M2MRS from Penang Island (AS-015) from 31 December until 3 February 2014. He will operate CW, RTTY and PSK on 40-10 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau, as well as LoTW and eQSL. [TNX PA0RRS]
D4 - The Monteverde Contest Team (http://d4c.cc/ http://d4c.cc/) will participate in the CQ WW DX CW Contest as a Multi-Multi entry from the D4C station on Sao Vicente (AF-086), Cape Verde. The team includes HB9CAT, IK2JUB, IK2NCJ, IT9BLB, K1RX, LY2IJ, OM2VL, OM3BH, OM3GI, OM3RM, YL2KL, YL3DQ, LB3HC and YL3DW. QSL via IZ4DPV (direct or bureau), LoTW and eQSL. [TNX IK1HJS]
FK - FK8RO is the callsign issued to Freddy, F5IRO for his activity from New Caledonia [425DXN 1173]. He will remain there through February 2014. QSL via F5IRO, direct or bureau. Freddy, along with FK8DD and FK8IK, will participate in the CQ WW DX CW Contest as

TX8B (QSL via FK8DD).
FS - Dave, WJ2O (www.wj2o.com http://www.wj2o.com) will be active as FS/WJ2O from St Martin (NA-105) on 20-29 November. He will operate CW only on 40-10 metres, and will participate in the CQ WW DX CW Contest. QSL via N2ZN. [TNX NG3K]
JW - LA8HGA will be active as JW8HGA from Spitsbergen (EU-026), Svalbard until 18 November. He will operate mainly CW on the HF bands. QSL via LA8HGA, direct or bureau, and LoTW. [TNX NG3K]
KP4 - Commemorating the 520th anniversary of the discovery of the island of Puerto Rico, three local amateur radio clubs will be QRV with special call signs: the Caribbean Amateur Radio Group as N4D (13-19 November), the Western Amateur Radio Group as W4D (17-24 November) and the Borinquen Amateur Radio Club as K4D (17-19 November). QSL for all callsigns via KP4TC. [TNX Southgate ARC]
P4 - Once again John, W2GD will activate P40W from Aruba (SA-036) for the CQWW DX CW Contest (23-24 November). He plans to be QRV on 160, 30, 17 and 12 meters CW before the contest, as time permits. QSL via LoTW or N2MM (direct only, as after 31 December 2013 no bureau requests will be honoured). [TNX NG3K]
PJ2 - Andy, W9NJY will be active as PJ2/W9NJY from Curacao (SA-099) on 19-25 November. He will operate CW on 160-10 metres. QSL via WD9DZV and LoTW. [TNX The Daily DX]
PJ7 - Dennis K2SX, Les W2LK and Andy K2LE will be active as PJ7/homecall from Sint Maarten on 19-26 November. QSL via home calls. They will participate in the CQ WW CW Contest as PJ7W (QSL via W2LK). [TNX NG3K]
S5 - Special event stations S506SLG and S506PMC are active until 5 January to promote the PMC Contest, sponsored by the Radio Club Slovenj Gradec (S59DCD). The International Association of Peace Messenger Cities was established in 1988 to recognize and encourage the role and responsibility cities have in creating a culture of peace. The PMC Contest, promoting contacts between stations located in the Peace Messenger Cities and the rest of the world, will be held from 12 UTC on 4 January 2014 until 12 UTC on the 5th. Complete details can be found at www.s59dcd.si/en10/ http://www.s59dcd.si/en10/
TY - Wim, ON6DX will be returning to Togo on 18 November and be active again as 5V7TH. He plans to be QRV on 40 and 30 metres CW, SSB and RTTY during his evenings. However, the main purpose of his trip is to go and operate from Benin. He has found "a nice QTH", Wim says, and will move there "when I have my TY1 callsign papers in my hands". His plans are to be QRV (http://dxpedition.be/Benin. html http://dxpedition.be/Benin.html)
on 40-6 metres SSB, CW and RTTY between 21 November and 3 December. QSL for both callsigns via ON6DX, direct or Bureau (OQRS on Club Log) and LoTW. [TNX NG3K]
V3 - Bob, K7YB will be active as V31YB from San Pedro, Ambergris Caye (NA-073), Belize on 20-25 November. He will operate holiday style on 40, 20, 10 and 6 metres SSB and CW, and will be active during the CQ WW DX CW Contest. QSL via home call. [TNX The Daily DX]
V4 - Bob, K5WA will be active as V4/K5WA (QSL via home call) from St.

Kitts (NA-104) on 20-27 November. He will be QRV on 160-10 metres CW, and will participate in the CQ WW CW Contest as V49J (QSL via W5JON and LoTW). [TNX NG3K]
V6 - Sho, JA7HMZ and Masa, JA7ZF will be active as as V63DX and V63ZF from Pohnpei (OC-010), Micronesia on 22-30 November. QSL via home calls. [TNX NG3K]
VU7 - The VU7AG frequency plans [425DXN 1174] "have been updated after carefully checking which other DXpeds are QRV around the same time as us", and are as follows:
CW 1812 3512 7012 10112 14012 18082 21012 24902 28012
SSB 3680 7095 14180 18155 21280 24955 28480
RTTY 3584 7032 10142 14082 18092 21092 24922 28092
There will be three stations running minimum 400w on all bands. VU7AG is expected to be QRV from Agatti, Lakshadweep Islands (AS-011) "for at least fourteen days" between 20 November and 10 December. Three pilot stations for the Americas have been added: N1UK (NA East Coast), KY6R (NA West Coast) and LU1FAM (Central and South America). QSL via W4VKU, direct or bureau (logsearch and OQRS on Club Log), and LoTW approximately six months after the conclusion of the DXpedition. Bookmark www.vu7ag.info http://www.vu7ag.info for further information and updates.
XV - Once again Retu, OH4MDY will be active as XV2RZ from Vietnam from 22 November to 8 December. He will be QRV on 20-6 metres CW and SSB. QSL via home call, direct only. Logsearch on Club Log. [TNX DX World]
XZ - The 15-26 November XZ1J expedition to Myanmar [425DXN 1175] now has a website at www.xz1j.org http://www.xz1j.org. Plans are for an 11-member team to operate CW, SSB and RTTY on 160-10 metres with three or four stations. Please use the OQRS provided by Club Log for QSLling.
YN - Mike, AJ9C will be active again as YN2CC from Nicaragua on 19-27 November. He will operate CW, SSB and RRTY on 160-6 metres, and will take part in the CQ WW DX CW Contest. QSL via home call and LoTW. [TNX The Daily DX]
ZD8 - Olof G0CKV (ZD8M), Oliver W6NV (ZD8W) and Jorma OH2KI (ZD8X) will be active from Ascension Island (AF-003) on 19-24 November. Their main activity will be during the CQ WW CW Contest as single-band entrants (on 40, 15 and 10 metres respectively). Before the contest they will be QRV on the HF bands and 6 metres. QSL via home calls. [TNX OPDX Bulletin]

ANTARCTICA ---> Gerry, VK0GB (aka G3WIP and VK4BGL) is a medical Practitioner stationed at Casey Station, Antarctica until February 2014. Plans are to sit around 7130, 14315, 18130, 21300 and maybe 28775 at 01.00, 09.30, 12.00 and 17.30 UTC ("but not every day", he says, as his job "always comes first, so I cannot promise too much").

CARIBBEAN TRIP ---> Pete, VE3IKV will be active as FJ/VA3RA (SSB and CW on the HF bands and 6m) from Saint Barthelemy (NA-146) on 21-25 November, including an entry in the CQ WW DX CW Contest on 10 metres. He will then move to Sint Maarten (NA-104) and be QRV on 10 and 6 metres as PJ7/VA3RA on 25-28 November. QSL via VE3IKV, direct only. [TNX The Daily DX]

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**** GOOD TO KNOW ... ****
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425 DX NEWS MAGAZINE ---> The October 2013 issue is now available for download at www.425dxn.org/monthly/index. html http://www.425dxn.org/monthly/index.html. [TNX IZ3EBA]

5J0R ---> The San Andres expedition's website has been updated with pictures and statistics from the recent operation. 5J0R made 80508 QSOs (33426 CW, 37033 SSB and 10049 RTTY) with 22704 unique callsigns in ten days. The OQRS for direct QSLs is up and running, bureau cards should be requestd through the dedicated OQRS when it is made available on the website (http://www.dxfriends.com/ SanAndres2013/index.php http://www.dxfriends.com/SanAndres2013/index.php).

DXCC NEWS ---> K9W (Wake Island, 2013 operation) has been approved for DXCC credit. [TNX NC1L]

IRON HAM CONTEST ---> Drawing inspiration from the Ironman Thriatlon races,the Araucaria DX Group sponsors the WW Iron Ham Contest, a competition that combines the main operating modes (Phone, CW and RTTY) into one single contest. The second edition will be held on 28-29 December (from 12 UTC on Saturday through 11:59 UTC on Sunday). The 24-hour contest is organized to have 8 hours of operation on each mode in periods no shorter than one hour. Complete details (look at this year's very special prize for the winners!) can be found at www.ironham.com.br http://www.ironham.com.br [TNX PY5EG]

THE BIG PICTURE... ---> "The Big Picture of Expedition Operating and the Direct Relationship to Anti-Social Pileup Behavior" is a 43-minute presentation by Rick, K6VVA. It "describes the problems and also solutions to the dysfunctional behavior we unfortunately hear in DX & IOTA pileups on the Amateur Radio bands these days". It can be found at http://youtu.be/svLlfrFA-1E http://youtu.be/svLlfrFA-1E [TNX K6VVA]

Z81X ---> The 14-28 November Z81X operation from South Sudan [425DXN 1173] will employ DX University's "Best Practices for DXpedition Operating". With the exception for 160 and 80 metres (1826.5 KHz and 3523 KHz), they will not pre-announce their operating frequencies, but will depend on "the modern Internet spotting networks". Near the end of the operation, they will use "a version of e-Pilot" in an effort "to work as many of the 'more deserving, but DX challenged' DXers as possible".
Z81X "will also look for conduct that is consistent - or inconsistent - with the 'Best Practices for Courteous and Efficient DXing' presented on the DX University Webpage" (go to www.dxuniversity.com http://www.dxuniversity.com, click on "DXing
Tools" and then on "Best Practices" in the drop-down menu). Be aware that they will "record many segments of the operation in stereo, pileup on one channel, Z81X on the other", and that "selected segments will be uploaded

to the DX University website to illustrate certain points".
As the activity will be running for two-weeks, SSB operation on the low bands will come during the second weekend. During the CQ WW DX CW Contest there may be as many as three single-band stations activated. QSL via OH0XX (OQRS on Club Log).

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******* QSL ROUTES *******
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CALL MANAGER CALL MANAGER CALL MANAGER
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3D2KV DL6KVA FW5JJ F5RXL SN640OKA SP5KVW
3D2PT PY2PT GB8BAF M0DXT T30PT PY2PT
3W2TXR JA2TXR H44MS DL2GAC T33A W2IJ
4L6QC LZ1OT HA150GG HA6FQ T6JP N4GNR
5H3CJ SM6CPY HA40QRP HA6NL T88JH JR3QFB
5H3JJ HB9EYP HC2IMP IK2DUW T88ON JA3JND
5H3TK JH0CJH HS0ZKX W2EN TA4/KP2I DL9USA
5N4EAM IK2IQD HV0A IK0FVC TJ3AY F5LGE
5R8IC F6ICX J28NC F5RQQ TO2R F5UOW
5T0JL ON8RA J87GU DL7VOG UP44WFF UN6QC
5W7X JF1OCQ J88HL SP3CYY V26MN DF8AN
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6Y5CN N1QAE JD1YBT JP1IOF V44KAI W5TFW
7T9A 7X2ARA JW8HGA LA8HGA V47JA W5JON
7Z1BL IZ8CLM JY4NE K3IRV VP2MMN DF8AN
7Z1HL DJ9ZB JY5MM IK2DUW W8A ZL3CW
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9J2BO G3TEV KH6/N9YU YT1AD XF1P XE2HUQ
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CE0YHO EB7DX OD5QB YO3FRI XV3NF JA8NF
CN2OS PD0JOS OD5YY KK4OK YB8V YB9BU
CP6/AL4Q DJ8QP OQ4CLM ON3AIM YE5R YB4IR
CW90A CX2ABC OZ/KH6DXX DF3XX YF1AR/4 N2OO
D44TPA CT1EHX PA200NL PA3CAL YJ0AU JA2ATE
D44TWQ G4IRN PG200NL PA0FAW YJ0CJ JA2ATE
DM50IOTA DL2VFR PY0FF W9VA YJ0TE JA2ATE
E6AA JA8VE R100MFF RN4ABD YJ0ZS JA2ZS
E6AK JA1KJW R7QA RW6HS Z320T DJ0LZ
E6AY JA1JQY R7QB RW6HS Z81B IZ0EGA
EA6/S53R K2PF S506PMC S59DCD Z81D OM3JW

EM70U UT7UU S506SLG S59DCD ZF2LC W2SM
EN70KYIV UT4UP S79WDX I0WDX ZP#/AL4Q DJ8QP
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YB9BU Kadek Kariana SP, P.O. Box 106, Singaraja 81100, Indonesia
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21875. Report SIDC Ursigram

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:Issued: 2013 Nov 16 1449 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 31116
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 16 Nov 2013, 1411UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 16 Nov 2013 until 18 Nov 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Active (M-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 16 Nov 2013 10CM FLUX: 178 / AP: 015
PREDICTIONS FOR 17 Nov 2013 10CM FLUX: 177 / AP: 011
PREDICTIONS FOR 18 Nov 2013 10CM FLUX: 176 / AP: 008
COMMENT: The strongest of two M-class flares observed during last 24 hours was M1.4
flare (peaked at 07:49 UT today) from the Catania sunspot group 41 (NOAA AR
1900). We expect C-class flares and M-class flares, in particular from
Catania sunspot groups 45, 41 and 38 (NOAA ARs 1897, 1900 and 1893,
respectively). The X-class flares are possible but not very probable. Earth
is currently inside of a fast flow with a speed of about 550 km/s. The fast
flow is associated with the low-latitude coronal hole in the northern
hemisphere. The interplanetary magnetic field magnitude is about 10 nT. The
geomagnetic conditions are quiet and expected to remain so during the
following hours.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 130, BASED ON 09 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 15 Nov 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 165
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 178
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 020
AK WINGST : 015
ESTIMATED AP : 013
ESTIMATED ISN : 113, BASED ON 12 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
16 0447 0453 0457 ////// M1.2 41/1900 III/1
16 0745 0749 0753 S19W29 M1.6 1F 41/1900 CTM/1III/1
END
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#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 31117
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 17 Nov 2013, 1211UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 17 Nov 2013 until 19 Nov 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Active (M-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 17 Nov 2013 10CM FLUX: 172 / AP: 010
PREDICTIONS FOR 18 Nov 2013 10CM FLUX: 168 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 19 Nov 2013 10CM FLUX: 164 / AP: 007
COMMENT: Solar activity was moderate during the past 24 hours, with a M1.0 flare
spotted in NOAA AR 1900 on Nov. 17, 0510 UT peak time. A C4.9 flare
occurred in NOAA AR 1893, on Nov. 17, 0801 UT (peak time). It was
accompanied by a CME observed by the STEREO COR2 coronagraphs. Based on
these observations (LASCO data are not yet available for this event) it
looks like the bulk of the CME will miss the Earth. A C8.6 flare occurred
on the East limb (N15) on Nov. 17, 0621 UT (peak time), but further
information is needed to assess the risk of future flares. We expect active
conditions (M flares possible) to prevail for the next 48 hours, with a
higher risk for NOAA ARs 1900, 1897, and 1893. Geomagnetic conditions are
expected to be mostly quiet for the next 48 hours. Current ACE observations
show that the Earth is still within the moderately fast solar wind stream
linked to a coronal hole, but the interplanetary magnetic field is now back
to very quiet and steady levels.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 124, BASED ON 07 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 16 Nov 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 175
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 015
AK WINGST : 014
ESTIMATED AP : 013
ESTIMATED ISN : 123, BASED ON 08 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
17 0506 0510 0513 S20W42 M1.0 SN 41/1900
END
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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 10th-November, through Sunday, 17th-November there were 236 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3B9, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4X, 5A, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5W, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8Q, 8R, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9V, 9X, 9Y, A2, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C5, C6, CE, CE0Y, CE0Z, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, F, FG, FH, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FS, FW, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HK0/a, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J5, J6, J7, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KH8, KH9, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ5, PJ7, PY, PY0F, PZ, S2, S5, S7, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T33, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TR, TT, TU, TY, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK9N, VP2E, VP2M, VP2V, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XZ, YA, YB, YI, YJ, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, Z8, ZA, ZB, ZD7, ZD8, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS, ZS8

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

3D2/R, ROTUMA (Reminder). Operators Hrane/YT1AD, David/WD5COV, Wasiliy/ RW4NW, Sergey/ RZ3FW and Dragos/YU1AKV will be active as 3D2R between November 22-29th. QSL via YT1AD. The team will be active in the CQWW DX

CW Contest (November 23-24th) as a Multi-Single or Multi-2 with the 3D2R callsign. ADDED NOTE: The team above will be active from Fiji (3D2) before and after the 3D2R operation. Activity will take place between November 20-22th and November 29-December 4th. Operators will have their own personal Fiji callsign: YT1AD (3D2AD), WD5COV (3D2OV), RZ3FW (3D2FW) and RW4NW (3D2NW); QSL via their home callsigns.

3DA, SWAZILAND (Press Release) [edited]: "The 3DA0ET Dxpedition is due to get under-way late on the 16th November or on the 17th November, depending on if we have time to get any of the antennas up on the first day. As a new feature, we have installed a 'Dxpedition Hot-line' phone number which connects to our pilot. The number is listed on our Web site at: http://www.swazidx.org
The purpose of this hot-line is primarily for sending SMS messages about any copy on our new six meter beacon which will be running 24/7 on 50.450 MHz FM (primarily for Es as part of the Southern Africa Es beacon initiative), and for sending us any reports re RX of our low-band activities. Details about how we will handle any six meter openings are also on our Web site. The first of our team members arrives in South Africa on the 12th November, with the rest of the team assembling in ZS-land prior to departing for 3DA0ET by the morning of the 16th November. A reminder that we'll have a strong focus on RTTY with a 24/7 RTTY operation alongside our CW and SSB activity. We are also QRV in the CQ WW CW contest as an M2 effort. We're running 5 stations with 4 hexbeams, 3 mono-band verticals for 40, 80 and 160, dedicated low band RX antennas and a selection of dipoles. We hope to see you in the pile-ups!
..... Vy 73, Roger, ZS6RJ, on behalf of the 3DA0ET crew"

4L, GEORGIA. Operators Maxim/UR3CMA, Sergey/UT3UA, Andy/UU4JMG and Andi/UU0JM will be active as 4L0A from Obcha during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) as a Multi-? entry. QSL via LoTW.

4S, SIR LANKA. Peter, DC0KK, will once again be active as 4S7KKG from Moragalla, Sri Lanka (AS-003, WLOTA 0762), between November 17th and April 15th, 2014. Activity will be mainly on CW and the Digital modes. QSL via DC0KK, by the Bureau (preferred) or direct (see QRZ.com). LoTW on request. All QSLs for all QSOs will be sent via the QSL Bureau.

5B, CYPRUS. Tony, RT9T, will once again be active as 5B4ALB from Pachyammos (AS-004, MIA MCI-002, WLOTA 0051) between November 17-26th. Activity will be on all bands and modes. QSL via RT9T direct only. ADDED NOTE: Tony will be one of operators in the P3N team (Multi-Single) during the CQWW DX CW Contest.

5C, MOROCCO. Members of the URE Cartagena team will be active from the ARRAM HQ club station CN8MC in Rabat as 5C5T during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) as a Multi-Single/Low-Power entry. QSL via EA5YU, by the Spanish Bureau or direct. Operators mentioned are: Juan/EA5BLJ, Jose/EA5CP and Jose/EA5YU. The operators will be there between November 21-24th, and plan to be active outside of the contest on 80-10 meters using 100 watts, CW only.

5J0R QRT. Antonio, EA5RM, reports to OPDX [edited]: "After our return to home, the 5J0R Web site is being updated with pictures from the San Andres operation and new donors and sponsors. The OQRS is already working. Bureau QSL should be requested through the Bureau OQRS when available on our Web site. Thank you to all who did help us to reach our aim.... 73! EA5RM"

5R, MADAGASCAR (Reminder/Update). By the time you read this, Eric, F6ICX, will once again be active as 5R8IC from Saint Marie Island (AF-090) until December 15th. Activity will be holiday style operating CW, RTTY, and PSK63, and using a FT450 with 100 watts into various GPs or Inverted-Ls and a Hexbeam for 20-10 meters. There will be no online log 'during' his activity. QSL via his home callsign (QRZ.com). To see pictures of his previous activity and an online log search from ClubLog, go to: http://f6kbk.free.fr/activities/activite_om_rc/5r8ic/5r8ic.htm

8P, BARBADOS. Tom, W2SC, will be active as 8P5A during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) as Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via LoTW or direct to NN1N.

9J, ZAMBIA. Niko, S53A, will once again be active as 9J3A from the Kafue National Park (WFF-9JFF-003, WWL KH35) between November 18-26th (approx). This is his sixth operation from Zambia. Activity will be mostly during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power/Unassisted entry. His QSL Manager informs OPDX that Niko will also be active as 9J3A/m, before and maybe little after the contest, from the Land Rover (out just for the fun) with a small whip antenna and 5 watts. Activity will be on 80-10 meters (no 160m). QSL via S57S (not S53A, not S57A), direct, by the Bureau (a very long wait, see details on QRZ.com) or LoTW.

AH2, GUAM. Members of the Guam Contest Club will be active as AH2R during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) as a Multi-Single entry. Operators mentioned are: Noriyuki/7N2JZT (NH2KO), Nozomu/JE8KKX (AH2K), Hajime/KH0G, Toshinobu/JI3ERV (NH2C), Toshimasa/WI3O. QSL via LoTW or direct to JH7QXJ. PLEASE DO NOT QSL via the KH2 Bureau.

CARIBBEAN ACTIVITIES. Dave, WJ2O, has announced that he has booked three trips to the Caribbean over the next several months and plans to be active from the following:
November 20-29th: Saint Martin (FS); IOTA NA-105; Callsign FS/WJ2O; Low Power and whip antennas; 40-10 meters, CW only; and
he will be in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th)
as a Single-Op/All-Band entry.

February 12-19th: Cayman Island (ZF); IOTA NA-016; Callsign pending;
Low Power vertical and wires; 160-10 meters, CW only;
and he will be in the ARRL International CW Contest
(February 15-16th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry.

May 21-28th: Bonaire (PJ4); IOTA SA-006; Callsign pending; from
the PJ4G Contest Station; and he will be in the CQ
WPX CW Contest (May 24-25th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/
High-Power entry.

His QSL Manager is Ken, N2ZN, for all operations. For more details and updates, visit Dave's Web page at: http://www.WJ2O.com

CR3, MADEIRA ISLANDS. Jose, CT1BOH, will be using the special callsign CR3E during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) as a Single-Op/ All-Band entry. All QSOs will be uploaded into LoTW. QSL Manager, Joe, W3HNK. See his Web page and station at: http://www.qsl.net/ct1boh

CT9, MADEIRA ISLAND. Vadim, R9DX, will be active as CT9/R9DX during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (10m)/ Low-Power entry. QSL via R9DX.

DB50, GERMANY (Special Event). Look for special event station DB50FIRAC to be active between January 1st and December 31st, to celebrate the 50th anniversary of "Fédération Internationale des RadioAmateurs Cheminots". QSL via LoTW, by the Bureau or eQSL.

DXCC NEWS.....
* Bill Moore, NC1L, ARRL Awards Branch Manager, reports that the following operation is approved for DXCC credit:
K9W ☐ Wake Island; 2013 Operation

* WHY 5A1AL IS BEING REJECTED FOR DXCC? Sharon Taratula, Administrative Manager, states: "The DXCC Department hasn't received complete documentation for the 5A1AL operation. DXCC operations require the license of the operation, evidence of authorization for landing, and/or proof of transportation and/or entry. A landing permit is generally issued by a government agency, and grants the person or group permission to enter certain areas for purposes including the operation of an Amateur Radio station. Proof of transportation and/or entry may be a statement by a boat captain or aircraft pilot, certifying that the persons involved were transported to the entity in question."

E5, SOUTH COOK ISLANDS. Perrin, VK3XPT, is on holidays from the Cook Islands until November 23rd. Look for him to be active as E51XPT using his my FT-817, Alexloop Walkham, Miracle Whip and LNR EFT EndFedz for 40/20/10 meters. He will be staying on Rarotonga (OC-013), Aitutaki (OC-083) and Atiu Islands (OC-083). He states, "Keep an ear open for me on the usual QRP frequencies! (PS. I am not doing IOTA)." QSL via his home callsign.

EG5, SPAIN (Special Event). Operators Jose/EA5FL, Sal/EA5DY, Nando/EA5GVZ and Juan/EC5JC will activate special event station EG5MM on December 11th to celebrate "International Mountain Day" (See QRZ.com for details). QSL via EA5FL.

FIELD DAY RESULTS (2013) ARE POSTED. The 2013 ARRL Field Day Results are now posted at: http://www.arrl.org/results-database?event_id=47575

FJ, ST. BARTHELEMY. By the time you read this, Georg, DK7LX, should be active as FJ/DK7LX from St. Barthelemy (NA-146) until the beginning of December. Activity will be holiday style and mainly on CW, with some RTTY (no SSB). He will not participate in the CQWW DX CW Contest. QSL

via his home callsign, direct, by the Bureau or LoTW.

FY, FRENCH GUIANA. Operator Didier, FY5FY, will be active during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (15m)/Low-Power entry. QSL via FY5FY.

FY, FRENCH GUIANA. Larry, F6FVY, will be active as FY5KE during the CQ WW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (10m) entry. QSL via FY5KE, by the Bureau, direct or LoTW.

HI, DOMINICAN REPUBLIC. Members of the Lomadeltoro Contest Team will be active as HI3A in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) as a Multi-Op entry. Operators mentioned are Julio/AD4Z, Ez/HI3EPR, Lorenzo/HI3LFE and Franky/HI3TT. QSL via ON4IQ or Lotw. Visi the Lomadeltoro Contest Team's Web page at: http://www.lomadeltoro.com

IOTA NEWS.....
AF-019. (Early Announcement) An international team of operators will be active as IG9Y from Lampedusa Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 26-27th) as a Multi-Op entry. Look for more details to be forthcoming. QSL via ON4LG. An OQRS will be available for direct and Bureau cards. Visit their Web page at: http://ig9.ii9p.com

EU-012. Stewart, GM4AFF, will be active as GZ3F from the Shetland Islands during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) as Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via GM4FDM.

OC-108. (Reminder) By the time you read this, 9 operators will be active as YE5R from Anambas Island until November 20th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via YB4IR.

SA-027. Jose, PU5IKE, will be active as ZW5AAA from Remedios Island (ARLHS BRA-137) between December 7-8th. Activity will be on 10 meters SSB. QSL via PU5IKE, via LoTW, direct (sase), eQSL or Bureau (QSLs from SWLs are welcome).

J6, ST. LUCIA (Press Release: 5th St. Lucia Buddies in the Caribbean Suitcase DXpedition) [edited]: "Travel plans are set for the fifth 'Buddies in the Caribbean' (BIC) mini-DXpedition to St Lucia (J6). Eight operators, some of whom have never experienced the 'other side' of a pileup, will be operating from Chateau Devaux on the NE side of St. Lucia from December 1st through 9th, 2013. This 'Suitcase DXpedition' will operate QRP to 100-watt radio stations using backpackable Buddipole antennas to make contacts from the villa, the surrounding mountains, and (of course) from St. Lucia's superb beaches. The eight operators are Jerry/N9AW, Craig/NM4T, John/W5EXJ, Joe/K3JDB, Rick/AA4W, Jim/W4QO, Chris/W6HFP, and Budd/W3FF (J68FF). Ops will preface their own calls with 'J6/'. Team members will operate several CW, SSB, and/or Digital Mode stations on 160-10 meters from the villa while others make contacts with portable set-ups from other J6 locations. Per tradition, meeting and operating with local hams while on J6 is one of our key goals. QSO confirmation and QSLs will be

available via LoTW, Bureau or direct via information on each operator's www.QRZ.com page."

J8, ST. VINCENT (Update). A team of Polish operators will be active as J88HL from St. Vincent Island (NA-025) between November 15th and December 2nd. Operators mentioned are Bob/SP2EBG, Jan/SP3CYY, Jurek/SP3GEM, Wlodek/SP6EQZ, Janusz/SP6IXF, Roman/SP9FOW and Wojciech/SP9PT. Activity will be on 160-6 meters with a focus on the lower bands, and using CW, SSB and RTTY. They will have at least three stations running 24 hours a day. Each one with a power amplifier. Suggested frequencies are:
CW - 1822.5, 3525, 7025, 10115, 14025, 18085, 21025, 24900, 28025 kHz
SSB - 1840, 3793, 7070/7165, 14265, 18125, 21273, 24970 and 28440 kHz
RTTY - 3585, 7045, 10138, 14090, 18101, 21090, 24915 and 28090 kHz
6m - 50105/CW and 50105/SSB

There will not be a team effort during the CQWW DX CW Contest, but possibly one operator will take part in the contest as a Single-Op/All-Band entry while the others operate outside the contest on the WARC bands or SSB and digital modes. QSL via SP3CYY, direct or by the Bureau. Using the OQRS is strongly recommended. For more details and updates, visit their Web Page at: http://j88hl.dxing.pl

KH8, AMERICAN SAMOA (Reminder). Operators John/9M6XRO, Masa/JH3PRR, Kip/W6SZN, Aki/ZL1GO and Jacky/ZL3CW, are now active from the Turtle and Shark Lodge, Village of Vaitogi, on the south-east coast of Tutuila Island (OC-045, USI AS007S, WLOTA 4385) and using the special event callsign W8A between now and November 26th. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. Suggested frequencies are available online at: http://www.n8a.eu/frequencies
Their operations will also include the CQWW DX CW Contest signing N8A as a Multi-2 entry. QSL via ZL3CW. For more details and updates, watch the N8A Web page at: http://www.n8a.eu
Also, watch their FaceBook page at:
https://www.facebook.com/N8a2013AmericanDXpedition

KH9, WAKE ISLAND. The "K9W Wake Atoll Commemorative DXpedition" is now QRT as of November 15th. Via their Web page: "The K9W DXpedition to Wake Atoll has now ended. All equipment has been taken off-line and prepared for shipment to the U.S. Final upload to ClubLog will take place within the next 24-48 hours. The K9W team wishes to thank the DXpedition community for their tremendous support. We put over 100,000 QSOs in the log from 186 discrete DXCC entities. The K9W operators are grateful for the opportunity to have honored the Forgotten 98 during our DXpedition. More photos and video footage will be posted to the website very soon.....
73 from Wake Atoll."
The log is posted on their Web page below and on the ClubLog Web page at: https://secure.clublog.org/charts/?c=K9W
The log shows as of 0725z, November 15th, that they have worked a total of 100015 QSOs and 23121 Unique Callsigns. Breakdown is 53757/CW, 38695/SSB and 7563/RTTY. Breakdown by Continent is 602/AF, 6/AN, 32311/AS, 26860/EU, 35314/NA, 3134/OC and 1788/SA.

An OQRS will be available by ClubLog (Highly Recommended). This is the preferred method to use for your QSL confirmation. After the DXpedition ends you can order either a direct or Bureau QSL card using the OQRS online QSL service provided by ClubLog. For sending direct QSL requests, the mailing address is: Wake Island DXpedition, P.O. Box 5005, Lake Wylie, SC 29710 USA (See detail on their Web page). QSLing by the Bureau is via AA4NN. Logs will be posted on LoTW 6 months after the conclusion of the DXpedition. NO eQSL. For more details and updates, visit the K9W Web page at: http://www.wake2013.org

LX, LUXEMBOURG. A team of operators will be active as LX7I during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) as a Multi-2 entry. QSL via LX2A. Operators mentioned are Mike/DF3VM, Frank/PA4N, Daniel/DL5SE, Rene/DL2JRM, Aurelio/PC5A, Ron/DL3BPC, Wolf/OE2VEL and Oliver/OE5OHO. Also, visit the following Web page at: http://www.lx2a.com

OC, PERU. Operators Bud/N7CW, Jim/K6ZH and Jack/OA4TT will be active as OC4CW during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th). All QSOs will be uploaded to LoTW on their return to the USA or sooner. Direct or Bureau cards should be available via an OQRS. Look for more QSL information to follow on QRZ.com. Outside the contest, Bud will be active as OA4/N7CW from approximately November 16-21st. See QSL info on QRZ.com.

OD, LEBANON. Sylvain, F5TLN, who has been active as OD5/F5TLN since September, will be there until April 2014. Activity has been mainly on 15 meters SSB. QSL via his home callsign direct only. Visit his Web page at: http://f5tln.voila.net

PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (November 118-24th)....
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Nov/20th AN

SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS/INDEXES AND GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE
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NORMALITY GEOMAG K Values Alpha
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AN - Above Normal Quiet K=0-1 0-7
HN - High Normal Unsettled K=2 8-15
LN - Low Normal Active K=3 16-29
BN - Below Normal Minor Storm K=4 30-49
DIS - Disturbed Major Storm K=5 50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed Severe Storm K=6-9 100-400

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (November 17th)

5H3CJ via SM6CPY KH8/WD5COV via WD5COV SX101JG via eQSL only
5K1C via EA3DUF LZ0M via LZ2SX (L/e) T33FL via AA4FL
A92IO via EI3IO (B/d) LZ8E via LZ2BE T33KV via DL6KVA
A93LT via IZ8CLM LZ9R via LZ3YY T33PT via PY2PT
CM2CCA via EA7TV OH8WW via OH8GDU (d/L) TA4/DL9USA via DL9USA

CO0SS via EA5GL OL4W via OK1IF TA4/KP2I via DL9USA
EA8/DL2DXA via DL2DXA OP7V via ON7VA TC301B via TA1HZ
EG1MOU via EA1URO PJ2/DL2EVB via DL2EVB VP8DNY via M1AYI (B)
EM70U via UT7UU PJ6/N7QT via N7QT W8A via ZL3CW (d)
FJ/DK7LX via DK7LX PY0FF via W9VA XF1P via XE2HUQ
GB1T via M0DOL RP3Z via RN3Z XZ1J via JH1AJT
J87GU via DL7VOG S21ZBC via IK2VUC YB8V via YB9BU
J88HL via SP3CYY S5300TP via S59DAP YE5R via YB4IR
K5C via WB5UDA S79WDX via I0WDX Z81X via OH0XX
KH8/N7AFW via RZ3FW SN21RN via SP3PGR ZV7O via PY7JN
KH8/N9YU via YT1AD SN640OKA via SP5KVW
(e) eQSL only (d) direct only (B) Bureau only (L) LoTW only

J73A QSL MANAGGER UPDATE. George, K5KG, reports: "We have a last minute volunteer to handle the direct cards for J73A. It is Steve, KU9C."

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 7P8US, 9Q5MO, A61BK, DM5TI, DP0I, EA3EZD, EI3GC, ES9C, G0WRE, G7VJR, HG7T, HV0A, I8QJU, IO5O, IT9PQJ, J3/WX7E, KG4WV, KL7RA, KM4DR, KP2/K3CT, M0BJL, MM0AMW, NL7G, OE2E, OK1SL, OP4A, PA3DZM, PA8F, PI4DX, PY2CX, RG9A, V47JA, VK3TDX, VU2NXM and XV2JJ

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3B8DB, 3D2MP, 5Z4/EA4ATI, CE2MVF, CN2XN, DF7EF, DL6MHG, G100RSGB, GW100RSGB, HA0NAR, OY/DL3UB, OY9R, PJ6A, T48K and V63PR

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: NONE REPORTED THIS WEEK!

R0, RUSSIA (NEW REGION TO BE ACTIVATED). Operators Vasily/RA1ZZ, Aleksandr/RA3AV, Natalia/R9OOO and Yuri/UA9KW will activate the last new Russian region for the Russian's District Award Program (RDA: YA-38 and very rare GRID LOC: PP57et) as homecall/0 between November 26th and December 3rd. The QTH is Batagay-Alyta, village in the north part of the republic of Sakha, Yakutia. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via the Bureau. For more details, see: http://ya38.org/en

S2, BANGLADESH. By the time you read this, members of the Mediterraneo DX Club should be active as S21ZBC between November 16-22nd. Activity will be 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. They plan to have 6 stations on the air. The team plans to be in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) as S21ZBB and as a Multi-2 entry. QSL Manager is Giuliano, IK2VUC; direct, by the Bureau or use the OQRS. LoTW files will be uploaded by the end of May 2014. For more info, see: http://www.mdxc.org/bangladesh2013

S9, SAO TOME AND PRINCIPE. Operators Giovanni/IK5BCM, Giuseppe/IK5CBE and Giovanni/IK5CRH will be active as S9TF from Principe Island (AF-044) between February 1-13th (2014). Activity will be on 80-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via IK5CRH.

T32, EAST KIRIBATI (Update). Members of the Russian Robinson Club are expected to be active as T32RC between December 4-11th. Tim, NL8F (T32TM), who will be there before the T32RC crew arrives, informs OPDX on Saturday [edited]: "Hi Guys.... Well T32TM is ready to depart. All radios, amps, antennas and trinkets are packed and ready for things to start. I leave

Dutch Harbor, Alaska, in the morning Sunday at 10am local time heading to Seattle to take part in the North Pacific Fishing Trade show, and then depart to Honolulu on Sunday, the 23rd, spend a day or two catching up with some of the KH6 guys before departing on the 26th to Kiramati. I will then set up the radio equipment, and then it is on from the Captain Cook Hotel. Band conditions are great so will be operating the high bands during the day light and low bands at night. The rest of the crew T32RC are also almost packed up, and we have some very good antennas for the low bands with us, especially for the 160m contest and the rest of the time. Remember, this is not a huge DXpedition and any small amount of donation to the Web site <T32-2013.com> will be very much appreciated to help with the excess baggage costs of the antennas and radios. Thanks in advance. ......T32TM and T32RC crew Tim NL8F"

T33, BANABA ISLAND (Update). The T33A DXpedition to Banaba Island (OC-018) should be QRT by the time you read this (November 18th). The team has had problems all week trying upload their logs. They mentioned on November 16th that they will "attempt to upload the final files to Clublog on Monday before pushing off for Tarawa... but the Internet connection is very questionable at any time. If it fails we'll get it done in Tarawa hoping their Internet connections are better." The OQRS by ClubLog is available and will be the preferred method to use for your QSL confirmation. Logs will be posted to Logbook Of The World (LoTW) approximately 6 months after the conclusion of the DXpedition. Direct QSLs are via W2IJ. QSLs will also be available direct by the Bureau. The log shows (as of print time) as of 0917z, November 14th, that they have worked a total of 67967 QSOs and 19309 Unique Callsigns. Breakdown is 43200/CW, 20259/SSB and 4508/RTTY. Breakdown by Continent is 353/AF, 3/AN, 22865/AS, 14196/EU, 25661/NA, 3287/OC and 1602/SA. For more details, visit the T33A Web page at: http://www.t33a.com/index.htm
The T33A DXpedition's Blog page is at: http://banaba2013.wordpress.com

TF, ICELAND. Elmar, PD3EM, is now active as TF/PD3EM as he travels across the Southern part of Iceland until November 26th. He is using a Yaesu FT-450D into a HyEndFed (10-20-40m) on a Spiderbeam fiberglass mast. QSL via his home callsign. Visit his Web page at: http://www.pd3em.com

THE BIG PICTURE (Of Expedition Operating ...). With the unspeakable behavior by amateur radio operators over the last fews weeks trying to work the many DXpeditions on the air, Rick, K6VVA, (aka The Locust), well known IOTA DXer, has put together an interesting video. He writes to OPDX about the video, " 'The BIG PICTURE Of Expedition Operating And The Direct Relationship To Anti-Social Pileup Behavior' describes the problems and also solutions to the dysfunctional behavior we unfortunately hear in DX and IOTA Pileups on the Amateur Radio bands these days." The 45 minute video can be viewed at: http://youtu.be/svLlfrFA-1E

TM1, FRANCE. Members of the KOP team (The Provins ARC/F6KOP) will enter the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) as TM1A in a Multi/Multi effort. Operators mentioned are Kenneth/OZ1IKY, Laurent/F5PBM, Francis/F5QF, Antoine/F5RAB, Mat/F5PED, Xavier/F5NTZ, Serge/F6DZS, Stephane/F5UOW,

Bruno/F5AGB, Bernard/F9IE, Tony/F8ATS, Bernard/F5LPY, Maurice/F5IYU and Maurice/F5NQL. QSL via F6KOP, French Ref Union Bureau only.

TO4, MARTINIQUE. Rich, M5RIC, will be active as TO4C from Martinique (NA-107, DIFO FM-001, WLOTA 1041, DDFM 97) between March 26th and April 1st. Activity is usually on 80-10 meters, especially 30/17/12 meters, using SSB and RTTY. He plans to participate during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 29-30th) as a Single-Op/All Band entry. QSL via M0OXO.

TU, COTE D'LVOIRE (Reminder/Update). Operators Chris/F4WBN (ex-TL0A), Paul/F6EXV and Jan/DJ8NK will be active as TU5AX, TU5XV and TU5NK, respectively, for a solidarity radio operation which will take place between November 17-30th. Activity will be on SSB, CW and RTTY, with operations on 160-6 meters (including 60m). Suggested frequencies are:
CW - 1826.5, 3524, 7024, 10104, 14024, 18084, 21024, 24894 and 28024
SSB - 3799, 5371.5/5403.5, 7070, 14190, 18150, 2190, 24950 and 28490
RTTY - 7050, 10138, 14080, 18100, 21080, 24920 and 28080 kHz
6m - 50104/CW amd 50150/SSB

QSL via their home callsigns, by the Bureau, direct or the OQRS on Clublog. The logs for TU5NK and TU5XV will be posted on LoTW shortly after the DXpedition ends. Jan informs OPDX, "The 3 operators will support the club station TU2CI and will leave equipment behind (radios and antennas), install it and train the local operators to use it in order to revive the Abidjan radio club, and assist some local hams who have strongly suffered from the civil war that hit the country sometime ago." The group's Web page is available at: http://www.premiumorange.com/tu2013

TX5, NEW CALEDONIA (Update). Freddy, F5IRO, continues to be active as FK8RO from Plum, New Caledonia (OC-032, DIFO FK-001, WLOTA 1280, DDFM 988), until February 2014. Activity has been on 80-10 meters using mostly CW and some PSK, with a Elecraft K3 and dipoles and long wire antennas. Freddy will team up with Mic/FK8IK and Sam/FK8DD, in Noumea using the special callsign TX8B (confirmed as November 14th) for the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th). QSL TX8B via FK8DD: Box 3040 Noumea, 98846 New-Caledonia. Sometime after the contest, Freddy and Mic are looking into possibly activating some FK IOTAs. Look for details to be posted on QRZ.com and Freddy's Blog page at: http://j28ro.blogspot.com
Also, watch Sam's Web page at: http://www.corail.nc/FK8DD
QSL FK8RO via F5IRO, direct or by the Bureau. Logs will be uploaded to ClubLog and LoTW sometime in March 2014.

V4, ST. KITTS (Update). Tony, N3ME, reports on QRZ.com: "Originally licensed as V47AJ in 1999 and pleased to be returning to St. Kitts (NA-104) again on January 21, 2014, for a one month vacation and holiday style operation. Our son, Bernie (W3UR) and his wife, Becky, our daughter, Kristina, and her husband Dan will be with us for part of our vacation. We will use my Elecraft K3 on 160 through 10 meters via CW, RTTY and SSB with heavy emphasis on RTTY, and I plan to operate in the CQ WPX RTTY Contest in February. QSL via Bureau, direct (please include return envelope & postage), or LOTW. Please be patient, if QSLing direct as QSL will be

ordered upon return as we will take pictures for the card while in St. Kitts."

XR0, JUAN FERNANDEZ. The XR0ZR DXpedition continues from Robinson Crusoe Island (SA-005, DICE ICE-004, WLOTA 0153, WWFF CEFF-003) until November 20th. Activity has been on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via IV3DSH, direct or by the Bureau. ClubLog's OQRS is available (preferred QSLing). Log will be uploaded to LoTW after 6 months. The log shows as of 1106z, November 17th, that they have worked a total of 44743 QSOs and 14511 Unique Callsigns. Breakdown is 18148/CW, 22011/SSB, 4581/RTTY and 3/PSK. Breakdown by Continent is 192/AF, 2/AN, 7360/AS, 8848/EU, 26733/NA, 442/OC and 1166/SA. For more details, visit the XR0ZR Web page or the following media links at:
Website : http://www.juanfernandez2013.com
FaceBook : https://www.facebook.com/groups/xr0zr/
Twitter : @xr0zr

XT2/XT26, BURKINA FASO (Reminder). Operators David/OK6DJ and Petr/OK1FCJ will be active as XT26DJ and XT2FCJ between November 17-26th. Activity will be on 160-10 meters including the 30/17/12 meters using CW and SSB. They also will be in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) as XT2FCJ. Their set up will be Elecraft K3 and Kenwood TS-480 into a Spiderbeam antenna (20/15/10m - including the WARC), a vertical (40-10m), 80m dipole and LW for 160m. QSL via OK6DJ for both callsigns. QSL methods are: the ClubLog OQRS (for LoTW - confirmed every day), direct (minimum 2 USDs or new IRC (accepted IRC that expire in 2017; QSO confirmed to LoTW every day), OQRS by the Bureau, LoTW and eQSL (confirmed 6 months) and paper QSL via the Bureau (confirmed 12 months). Their Web page is now avilable, at: http://www.mdxc.org/burkinafaso2013

XV, VIETNAM. Ishida, JA4AGA, who is part of the XV2V40J team to commemor-ation 40 years of the Japan-Vietnam establishment of diplomatic relations (QSL via JF1HJZ), was heard active as XV2AG. He plans to be active until November 30th. QSL via his home callsign.

XZ, MYANMAR (Update). By the time you read this, Zorro, JH1AJT, and a group of operators should be on the air as XZ1J from Nay Pyi Taw until November 26th. This will be the third and final run for 2013 from XZ-land. They plan to set up three to four stations, run 24/7 on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB, and RTTY. QSL: OQRS preferable. The XZ1J Web site is available at: http://www.xz1j.org
One of the operators, Dave, K3LP, has also set up a Web page at: http://www.k3lp.com/xz1j_2013.htm
There is also a live streaming or recorded broadcast of the operation available at: http://www.ustream.tv/channel/jookgroo

YL95, LATVIA (Special Prefix). In honor of the 95th anniversary of the establishment of the Republic of Latvia in November and December 2013, members of the Latvian Contest Club will use the special prefix YL95. Expect YL95AIW, YL95AJA, YL95CI, YL95CW, YL95DQ, YL95DW, YL95GQT, YL95GY, YL95KF, YL95KL and YL95UI to be on the bands. For QSL info, follow the

operators' instructions, but in most of cases use LoTW, eQSL, by the Bureau or direct to their home callsign is OK.

YN, NICARAGUA (Update). Mike, AJ9C, will once again be active as YN2CC from Granada, Nicaragua, between November 19-27th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. Also, Mike will be in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL via LoTW or direct and by the Bureau to his home callsign. He will activate an OQRS on ClubLog.

Z8, SOUTH SUDAN (Press Release by OH2BH; dated November 12th) [edited]:
"THE Z81X GROUP IS DEPARTING TODAY, WEDNESDAY AT 1100 UTC -- The group consists of DL3DXX, N7NG, PB2T, OH0XX, OH2BH, OH2PM and OH6KN. Upon their arrival they will team up with Z81B and Z81D and start doing two projects simultaneously. They will set up their low-band antenna field and start a series of workshops for the government of South Sudan. At least on one station should be operational by late Friday evening. Their selected low-band operating frequencies are 1826.5 KHz and 3523 KHz. On the other house-hold bands 7 MHz thru 28 MHz you can find them at suitable portions of those bands. Check Internet spotting for current frequencies. As the operation will be running for two-weeks, SSB operation on low-bands will come on-line later during the stay ☐ specifically during the 2nd weekend with CQWW on CW. During the contest there may be as many as three single-band stations activated. OQRS is functional at Z81X at QRZ.com. All support for the high freight cost of the equipment will be highly appreciated.
Z81X via OH0XX."

ZL7, CHATHAM ISLAND. Franz, OE2SNL, will be active as ZL7/OE2SNL from Chatham Island (OC-038) between March 13-26th (2014). Activity will be on 80-10 meters, using CW and with a focus on RTTY. QSL via OE2SNL. For more QSL details, see <www.zl7.oe2snl.at> and/or <www.oe2snl.at>.

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Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@...?subject=unsubscribe>
OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):
http://www.papays.com/opdx.html
ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB PAGES AT:
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http://www.facebook.com/NorthernOhioDxAssociation

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Additional Bulletin for OPDX InterNet Subscribers.
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From : UT7FP [mailto:contest@...]
Subject : 8th EPC BPSK63 QSO Party 2013

Dear Fellow Radio Amateurs,

The European PSK Club has the honour to invite the radio amateurs all over the world to participate in the 8th EPC BSK63 QSO Party 2013. The objective of the competition is to establish as many contacts as possible between radio amateurs around the world by using the BPSK63 mode. Every-body can work everybody for QSO and multiplier credit. The Contest is annually held at the third weekend in November on 160, 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 meters bands.
Starting time is at 00:00 UTC, and ending time is at 24:00 UTC on Sunday 17 November, 2013.
There are no separate entrant categories in the competition; all partic-ipants work as SINGLE-OP ALL (Single Operator - All Bands). All stations at which one performs do all of the operating, logging, and spotting functions. Only one signal is allowed at any one time. The operator may change bands at any time. The output power shall not exceed 100 watts.
EPC members should send signal report plus EPC membership number (example ☐ 599 EPC00001). Please make sure that you don't separate «EPC» from the «Number», and you don't use any characters between. Please make sure that your EPC number consists of 5 digits. Other stations should send signal report plus QSO number, starting 001 (example ☐ 599 001).
First, second and third place certificates will be awarded in the World and every continent. First place certificates will be awarded in every participating DXCC country. All scores will be published on the EPC website. All certificates will be issued to the licensee of the station used. All certificates will be issued in a PDF format. If you are interested in sponsoring a special trophy for the EPC BPSK63 QSO Party, please contact the Committee.
The required MixW contest setup files for easy and correct operation in the event are listed at website: http://www.digitalrus.ru All logs must be sent no later than 5 days after the contest (23:59 UTC 22 November 2013). You should send your log upload via the Web interface:
http://ua9qcq.com/en/submit_log.php?lang=en
EPC BPSK63 QSO Party 2013 Rules:
http://www.epc-ru.ru/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=1434&Itemid=83

73! de European PSK Club

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21878. RE: [DX-IS] XR0ZR via the poles

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-18 05:13:09 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 21862 Message: 21878

I guess most of you are sick of hearing XR0ZR on the bands by now...

Know that all VK6s are really struggling here with the lack of propagation to them.
When I consider that I didn't hear anything from CE0Z team in 2006, I guess I can count myself very fortunate to have one QSO this time.

Interestingly W6EL propagation software shows that 17m and 15m are the best possibilities and this has been the case!
The best signals that have come through so far are S5 on one occasion, mostly S3 or below long path, it seems the south pole refuses to be open when they are on air...

Someone did mention that XR0ZR had a hill to the south, but this hasn't been confirmed.....

I have a couple more opportunities around 1200z onwards to get an SSB QSO...

Good luck to all,

73, Lance - VK6DU

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of John Geiger
Sent: Thursday, November 14, 2013 9:55 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] XR0ZR via the poles

Amsterdam Is will be interesting for me. It is not a true polar path for me as the beam heading is 126 degrees. Still, it is the further DXCC entity from my QTH, and will be a new one for me if I can get it. S2 and VU7 are both going to be on this month, and I need both, but they are polar paths and a very difficult area to work from my QTH, especially since I don't have a beam any longer. Still trying to fix that. Did get T33A on 40m this AM for a new band country.

73 John AF5CC

----- Original Message -----
From: Lance Martin<mailto:L.Martin@...>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com<mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Thursday, November 14, 2013 5:08 AM
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] XR0ZR via the poles

Hi John
Thanks for asking, K9W and T33A were both romping in here all over the shop. So after the piles had settled down over the first day, they were both relately easy to get.
Location and propagation really does make a difference.
I am guessing CE0Z for us, is like VU7, 4S or even VK9C from you not an easy gig.
Amsterdam is going to be interesting for you guys.
Good luck,
73, Lance - VK6DU
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com<mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com> [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com]

On Behalf Of John Geiger
Sent: Thursday, 14 November 2013 12:46 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com<mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] XR0ZR via the poles

Good luck Lance with the CE0Z. How has Wake Island been to work from VK? Probably about as easy as XR0ZR has been for the US to work, since it is a transequatorial path, as CE0 is for us. Got them for new band country on 30, 15, and 12, and for a new RTTY country. Only worked Wake on 12 and 15 but it was a new CW country. They seem to hear really well.
73 John AF5CC
----- Original Message -----
From: Lance Martin<mailto:L.Martin@...>
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com<mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Thursday, November 14, 2013 4:05 AM
Subject: [DX-IS] XR0ZR via the poles

Well you are not going to believe this, but, I still have not been able to make a QSO with XR0ZR!
I have probably only spent 1 hour calling so far collectively on 30/20/17/15m so early days yet.
Weak sigs (polar path), QRM/QRN and piles have made this one and incredible challenge.
Just need the polar caps to open properly.... Lots of east Coast VKs have gotten through, so the guys are doing a good job.
73, Lance - VK6DU

21879. Ohio/Penn DX Special Bulletin #1137.1

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-18 14:27:26 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 21879 Message: 21879

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BID: $OPDX.1137.1
November 18, 2013
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

Thanks to the Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society, Northern Ohio DX
Association, Ohio/Penn PacketCluster Network, AB5K & the AR TelNet
Clusters Network OH2BH, OH2BN and JA1TRC for the following DX information.

XZ1J (Press Release). XZ1J - Update Nov. 17, 2013:
The XZ1J Team members are operating from two Camp Site locations about
300' apart; CW Camp and SSB Camp.
The SSB Camp has two stations; one with a Spider Beam covering all bands
and the 2nd station is using 1/4 vertical antennas for 12, 17 and 40 meters.
The CW Camp has three stations; the 1st station has a Tri-Band Beam (10,
15 & 20) and the 2nd station is using 1/4 verticals for 40, 30, 17 and
12 meters plus an Inverted L for 160 Meters (abt 80 vertical and 47'
hortizonal). The third station is mainly used for 30 meter CW and 20
meter RTTY when time permits.
Our efforts on 160 meters started last night and ended this morning
around 6:00 AM with many QSO's in the log. We'll be on 160 and/or 80
meters all night; sunset to sunrise.
During our second day, we had to move the SSB Camp site to reduce the
S9 noise level from a local power line. The new location has minimum QRN.
This evening, we'll update our Operating Frequency Chart to eliminate
some of the interference with several other DX-peditions. This data will
be updated to the http://www.xz1j.org/ website and http://www.k3lp.com/xz1j_2013.htm
Both Zorro and Jay have our team working hard to get the QSO's in the
log. QSLing is via Zorro's QTH or http://www.qrz.com/ for XZ1J.
73's..... XZ1J Team

Z81X JUBA, SOUTH SUDAN (Two Press Releases).....

NEWS FROM SOUTH SUDAN, SUNDAY 17-NOV-2013

What a wonderful occasion it was when twenty-one Ministry of Telecommuni-
cation and Postal Services administrators, led by Director General Meshack
Madol Yol, arrived for a full-day Amateur Radio training session organized
by International Amateur Radio Union (IARU) R1 and Radio Arcalas Mission
Goodwill South Sudan. The session was conducted by Hans, PB2T, IARU R1
President together with Wayne, N7NG and Martti, OH2BH. The memorable

occasion took place at the European Union compound in the capital Juba.
A joint working group was formed and the day was capped with the interview
by local broadcasters in the nation's capital.
The program is sponsored by IARU R1, ARRL, EUDXF, DX University and
YASME Foundation. The next day and with some 600 QSOs under his belt,
Hans departed to resume his subsequent duties at ITU in Geneva.
The low-band operation also got underway for the first night with no
receiving antennas but 160M and 80M verticals gave a good start, with a
full footprint for the United States and the first 50 JA station logged
on the first shot indicating the same for the Far East. Now both directions
are also covered by beverages. It is now expected that 160, 80 and 30M will
be active every night on CW for the next six days and then providing an
80M SSB toward the weekend.
The team of Dietmar, DL3DXX; Wayne, N7NG; Pertti, OH2PM; Olli, OH0XX,
Martti, OH2BH and Veijo, OH6KN with valuable support from Diay, Z81D and
Massimo, Z81B are at the controls.
They use three Yaesu FTdx3000s with no interaction between the bands
in operation. Yaesu is their radio provider while Acom and Italian SPE
amps are employed on the low bands.
With the low-band QSO total now exceeding 2000, it is also noted that
both nights were different with regard to the overall propagation profile.
Therefore one bad night may be followed by a good night, requiring a sharp
ear and great patience. So far the split is Europe 67%, NA 19% and ASIA 13%.
Logs are now uploaded at ClubLog for first two days along with Z81X
QSOs of May. 2013 at www.qrz.com/db/Z81X.

18-NOV-2013

LAST NIGHT AT Z81X

It may be interesting to note that some infrastructure is still missing
in the Republic of South Sudan. There is no electricity grid or running
water in the capital. Also, the postal system is not yet established and
many issues need to be improvised. Getting fuel for the generator is an
arduous task and more recently fuel has been in short supply in the whole
country.
There was to be enough fuel for the generator but running it was ruled
out suddenly. It was 3AM just at the peak of low-band action when elec-
tricity was switched off, leaving the operators and the pileup idling.
This happened when the going neared its climax.
So, negotiations are underway and we kindly ask for your understanding.
Sometimes these basic services are taken for granted. The team are cramped
in three small huts with all their belongings, including the radios, but
hopefully we will soon gain access to larger premises as promised initially.
It is extremely hot and thunderstorms are expected to bother us during
the week; hence lightning arrestors are mounted on all cables. No equipment
or men are lost in the process and all radio gear remains in good shape.
The antenna farm is soon complete and we just need more fuel to keep
running. Why don't we go to the petrol station? We have not seen one with
a supply of diesel fuel.

In life, things are relative --- and in DX even more so. Hopefully see you tonight!

Team at Z81X

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21880. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-18 15:30:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21880

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:Issued: 2013 Nov 18 1141 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
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SIDC URSIGRAM 31118
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 18 Nov 2013, 1111UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 18 Nov 2013 until 20 Nov 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Active (M-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 18 Nov 2013 10CM FLUX: 168 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 19 Nov 2013 10CM FLUX: 164 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 20 Nov 2013 10CM FLUX: 162 / AP: 007
COMMENT: The risk for an isolated M class flare still exists from NOAA ARs 1893 and
1897, but C flares are more likely to occur in the coming 48 hours, from
these regions and ARs 1899 and 1900. The past 24 hours were rather low in
terms of flaring activity, with only moderate C class flares. We expect
quiet geomagnetic conditions to prevail for the next 48 hours. Current
interplanetary conditions are quiet.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 112, BASED ON 03 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 17 Nov 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 177
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 009
AK WINGST : 006
ESTIMATED AP : 006
ESTIMATED ISN : 123, BASED ON 11 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21881. FT5Z Propagation to Central US

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-19 00:44:57 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 21881 Message: 21881

I am thinking of getting a 15m Moxon antenna soon, mainly for a few DXpeditions I need as I can't find much else I can afford right now that wouldn't require a heavier duty rotor as well (more $$$). For those of you with the propagation prediction programs, will there be much of an opening between W5 land and FT5Z next january? 15m is one of my favorite bands, and I have worked quite a few DXPeditions and tougher paths on it.

John AF5CC

21882. Re: [DX-IS] FT5Z Propagation to Central US

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-19 01:08:34 UTC
From: KD0Q-Glenn
Topic: 21881 Message: 21882

Hi John,

There are a number of free online propagation tools you can use
yourself. One of my favorites is http://www.voacap.com/prediction.html.

73 & Good DX! Glenn - KD0Q

On 11/18/2013 18:44, John Geiger wrote:
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21883. Re: [DX-IS] FT5Z Propagation to Central US

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-19 02:16:54 UTC
From: Ted Roycraft
Topic: 21881 Message: 21883

John,

There is a pretty good propagation prediction web site at ...

http://www.voacap.com/prediction.html

73, Ted, W2ZK

On 11/18/2013 7:44 PM, John Geiger wrote:
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21884. Re: [DX-IS] FT5Z Propagation to Central US

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-19 15:12:33 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 21881 Message: 21884

Thanks Glenn,l

I have heard of that program but didn't know it was free. Ran it and things don't look extremely promising on 15m, but then it was assuming a SSN of 60.

73 John AF5CC

----- Original Message -----
From: KD0Q-Glenn
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tuesday, November 19, 2013 1:08 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] FT5Z Propagation to Central US

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John AF5CC

21885. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-19 15:30:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21885

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:Issued: 2013 Nov 19 1225 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 31119
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 19 Nov 2013, 1211UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 19 Nov 2013 until 21 Nov 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Active (M-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Warning condition (activity levels expected to increase, but no numeric
forecast given)
PREDICTIONS FOR 19 Nov 2013 10CM FLUX: 160 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 20 Nov 2013 10CM FLUX: 158 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 21 Nov 2013 10CM FLUX: 155 / AP: 007
COMMENT: NOAA AR 1893 produced an X1.0 flare on Nov. 19, peaking at 1026 UT. It was
accompanied by a metric type II burst, and an EUV coronal wave. A CME was
associated with this event, as observed by COR2 A, but only one image is
available and its speed is currently unknown. A preliminary analysis, which
will be updated as new information comes in, makes this event unlikely to
be geoeffective. Currently there is no consequence on the proton flux, but
a rise in coming hours is not impossible. We foresee active conditions to
prevail for the next 48 hours, with risk of M flares from NOAA ARs 1893 and
1897. NOAA AR 1893 developed a delta configuration (which probably explains
the X flare of this morning), and an isolated X class flare is not
excluded. Until further analysis is performed on the CME linked to the X
class flare of this morning, we expect quiet geomagnetic conditions to
prevail for the next 48 hours. A CME spotted on the South-East limb on Nov.
19, around 0430 UT (LASCO C2) appears to be backsided. Current
interplanetary conditions as measured by the ACE spacecraft are very quiet.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 079, BASED ON 10 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 18 Nov 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 163
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : ///
AK WINGST : 002
ESTIMATED AP : 002
ESTIMATED ISN : 099, BASED ON 10 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
19 1014 1026 1034 S70W14 X1.0 SF 530 ///1983 II/1
END
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21886. Re: [DX-IS] FT5Z Propagation to Central US

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-19 16:25:59 UTC
From: KD0Q-Glenn
Topic: 21881 Message: 21886

Try using more power, bigger antennas and a little higher SSN in the
setup to see if there's a chance, then listen anyway. The predictions
are averages and sometimes we get lucky! :-)

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21887. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-20 15:30:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21887

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:Issued: 2013 Nov 20 1206 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
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SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 20 Nov 2013, 1211UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 20 Nov 2013 until 22 Nov 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Active (M-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 20 Nov 2013 10CM FLUX: 145 / AP: 005
PREDICTIONS FOR 21 Nov 2013 10CM FLUX: 140 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 22 Nov 2013 10CM FLUX: 140 / AP: 007
COMMENT: Solar activity has been rather moderate during the past 24 hours, with only
weak C class flares since the X class event of yesterday. The 10 MeV proton
flux rose sharply soon after the flare but did not cross the event
threshold. Active conditions are expected for the next 48 hours, with still
a risk for an isolated M class flare from NOAA AR 1893, and to a lesser
extent NOAA AR 1897. We expect quiet geomagnetic conditions to prevail
for the next 48 hours. The CME associated with the X1.0 flare of Nov. 19 is
not expected to be geoeffective. Current ACE measurements reveal quiet
interplanetary conditions.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 059, BASED ON 13 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 19 Nov 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 126
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 153
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 010
AK WINGST : 005
ESTIMATED AP : 004
ESTIMATED ISN : 082, BASED ON 19 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
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21888. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-21 15:30:05 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21888

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:Issued: 2013 Nov 21 1222 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 31121
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 21 Nov 2013, 1211UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 21 Nov 2013 until 23 Nov 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 21 Nov 2013 10CM FLUX: 140 / AP: 001
PREDICTIONS FOR 22 Nov 2013 10CM FLUX: 138 / AP: 001
PREDICTIONS FOR 23 Nov 2013 10CM FLUX: 138 / AP: 001
COMMENT: NOAA AR 1893 produced a M1.2 flare on November 21, peaking at 1111 UT. Very
few information is currently available on this event, but it seems that,
besides a weak type III burst no other radio emission is associated with
it. Coronagraphic observations are not yet available, but SDO data hint at
a CME signature. Owing to the position of AR 1893 on the west limb, a CME,
if confirmed, would very likely not be geoeffective. We foresee mostly
eruptive conditions for the next 48 hours, with C class flares possible
from NOAA ARs 1893, 1897 and 1899. A small sunspot group emerged north of
AR 1899, but it is too soon to evaluate its flaring capacity for the
forecast period. An extra isolated M flare is not completely excluded from
NOAA AR 1893 before it rotates behind the west limb. We expect quiet
geomagnetic conditions for the next 48 hours. All CMEs observed in the past
24 hours appear to be non geoeffective, including a partial halo CME,
observed by LASCO on Nov. 21 at 0125 UT (backside event).
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 051, BASED ON 08 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 20 Nov 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 074
10CM SOLAR FLUX : ///
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 005
AK WINGST : 004
ESTIMATED AP : 003
ESTIMATED ISN : 056, BASED ON 21 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
21 1052 1111 1142 ////// M1.2 38/1893
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21889. ARLD047 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-21 23:17:54 UTC
From: jjreisert@...
Topic: 11961 Message: 21889

SB DX @ ARL $ARLD047
ARLD047 DX news

ZCZC AE47
QST de W1AW
DX Bulletin 47 ARLD047
>From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT November 21, 2013
To all radio amateurs

SB DX ARL ARLD047
ARLD047 DX news

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by KX9X, NC1L, RA1ZZ, VU2DSI, QRZ DX, the OPDX Bulletin, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, DXNL, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

BARBADOS, 8P. Tom, W2SC is QRV as 8P5A in the CQ World Wide DX CW contest as an All Band entry. QSL via NN1N.

ZAMBIA, 9J. Niko, S53A is QRV as 9J3A from the Kafue National Park until November 26. This includes an entry in the CQ World Wide DX CW contest as a Single Op/All Band/Low Power entry. Before and after the contest, he will also be operating mobile with QRP power. QSL via S57S.

EAST MALAYSIA, 9M6. Saty, JE1JKL is QRV as 9M6NA from Labuan, IOTA OC-133. Activity is on all bands. He will also be active in the CQ World Wide DX CW contest. QSL to home call.

CHINA, BY. Operators Dale, BA4TB, Xu, BA8IK, He, BH4RQU and Tony, BH4SQE will be QRV as B4TB as a Multi Operator entry in the CQ World Wide DX CW contest. QSL via BA4TB.

URUGUAY, CX. Jorge, CX6VM plans to be QRV as CW5W in the CQ World Wide DX CW contest as a Single Band entry on 10 meters. QSL via operator's instructions.

CAPE VERDE, D4. Members of the Monteverde Contest Team will be QRV as D4C in the CQ World Wide DX CW contest as a Multi/Multi entry. QSL via IZ4DPV.

TAJIKISTAN, EY. Nodir, EY8MM will be QRV from Dushanbe on 160 meters in the CQ World Wide DX CW contest. QSL via K1BV.

LEBANON, OD. In celebration of the 70th anniversary of Lebanon's independence, Lebanese stations may use the special prefix OD70

until the end of November.

EASTERN KIRIBATI, T32. Tim, NL8F will be QRV as T32TM from Kiritimati, IOTA OC-024, from November 26 to December 11. After this activity, he will be active with the T32RRC team. QSL T32TM via K8NA.

PALAU, T8. Masashi, JL1FUQ is QRV as T88GJ until November 24. Activity is on 20 to 6 meters using SSB with some RTTY and PSK as his work schedule permits. QSL to home call.

TURKEY, TA. Operators TA2TX, LZ1NK, LZ1CNN, LZ2UW, LZ3YY, LZ3FN, LZ3ND and LZ5VK are QRV as TA0/home calls from Bozcaada Island, IOTA AS-099. Activity is on the HF bands using CW and SSB. They will be active as TC0A in the CQ World Wide DX CW contest. QSL TC0A via TA2TX and all others to home calls.

BENIN, TY. Wim, ON6DX is QRV as TY1TT until December 3. Activity is on 40 to 6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL to home call.

ASIATIC RUSSIA, UA0. Operators Vasily, RA1ZZ, Aleksandr, RA3AV, Natalia, R9OOO and Yuri, UA9KW will be QRV as home calls/0 from Batagay-Alyta, a village in the north part of the republic of Sakha, Yakutia. Activity will be on 80 to 10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via bureau.

MICRONESIA, V6. Sho, JA7HMZ and Masa, JA7ZF are QRV as V63DX and V63ZF, respectively, from Kolonia, Pohnpei Island, IOTA OC-010, until November 30. Activity is on 40 meters and higher using all modes, including SSTV and JT65. They plan to be an entry in the CQ World Wide DX CW contest as well. QSL direct to home calls.

INDIA, VU. Special event station AU2JCB is QRV until December 10 to commemorate the birth of Indian scientist Acharya Jagadish Chandra Bose. Activity is on 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 and 6 meters using SSB with FM on 10 and 6 meters. QSL direct via VU2DSI.

LAKSHADWEEP ISLAND, VU7. A large group of operators are QRV as VU7AG from Laccadive, IOTA AS-011, until December 10. Activity is on 160 to 10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via W4VKU.

NICARAGUA, YN. Mike, AJ9C is QRV as YN2CC until November 27. Activity is on 160 to 6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. He will be active in the CQ World Wide DX CW contest as a Single Op/All Band/Low Power entry. QSL to home call.

OPERATION APPROVED FOR DXCC CREDIT. The following operation is approved for DXCC Credit: Prince Edward and Marion Island, ZS8C and ZS8Z, Current operation for 2013 through May 2014.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The CQ Worldwide DX CW Contest, NCCC RTTY Sprint, QRP CW Fox Hunt and the NCCC Sprint are all on tap for this upcoming weekend. The SKCC CW Sprint, QRP CW Fox Hunt and

CWops Mini-CWT Test are all scheduled for November 27. Please see November QST, page 87, and the ARRL and WA7BNM contest web sites for details.
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21890. Cluster OK again

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-22 03:19:28 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 21890 Message: 21890

Those who use the VE1DXI DX Cluster node (ve1dxi.no-ip.ca:23) may have noticed it was sporadically off and on today, with a 2-4 hour outage around 19:00 -- 03:00 UTC. This was due to prolonged and intermittent Internet connectivity problems with my ISP. This has been fixed and VE1DXI is back on line.

Sorry for the inconvenience . . . I try for 24/7 service, but some things are beyond my control.

73, Paul VE1DX

21891. Re: [DX-IS] Cluster OK again

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-22 03:54:15 UTC
From: KIR
Topic: 21890 Message: 21891

Paul,

I tried to add your cluster to my Logger32 cluster list (remote host: ve1dxi.no-ip.ca:23, port: 599), but when I tried to connect I received a telnet socked error 11004, valid name, no data record of requested type. Are my entries correct? Thanks.

Ken

----- Original Message -----
From: Paul M Dunphy
To: DX IS!
Sent: Thursday, November 21, 2013 7:19 PM
Subject: [DX-IS] Cluster OK again

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73, Paul VE1DX

This email is free from viruses and malware because avast! Antivirus protection is active.
http://www.avast.com

21892. Re: [DX-IS] Cluster OK again

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-22 04:00:51 UTC
From: iain macdonnell - N6ML
Topic: 21890 Message: 21892

No, the host is "ve1dxi.no-ip.ca" and the the port is "23"

73,

~iain / N6ML

On Thu, Nov 21, 2013 at 7:54 PM, KIR <kir2@...> wrote:
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> Paul,
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> Sent: Thursday, November 21, 2013 7:19 PM
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> 73, Paul VE1DX
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> This email is free from viruses and malware because avast! Antivirus protection is active.
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21893. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-22 15:30:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21893

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:Issued: 2013 Nov 22 1145 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 31122
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 22 Nov 2013, 1111UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 22 Nov 2013 until 24 Nov 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 22 Nov 2013 10CM FLUX: 140 / AP: 001
PREDICTIONS FOR 23 Nov 2013 10CM FLUX: 135 / AP: 001
PREDICTIONS FOR 24 Nov 2013 10CM FLUX: 135 / AP: 001
COMMENT: Solar activity is expected to be at most eruptive for the next 48
hours with risk for C class flares from NOAA ARs 1897 and 1899. The M flare
of Nov. 21 was associated with a CME, but it does not appear to be
geoeffective. Quiet geomagnetic conditions are expected for the next 48
hours. Current interplanetary conditions are very quiet.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 046, BASED ON 05 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 21 Nov 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 141
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 004
AK WINGST : 001
ESTIMATED AP : 002
ESTIMATED ISN : 052, BASED ON 13 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
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21894. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1138

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-22 16:45:00 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 21894 Message: 21894

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The Ohio/Penn DX PacketCluster
DX Bulletin No. 1138
BID: $OPDX.1138
November 25, 2013
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

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** EDITOR'S SPECIAL NOTICE: This week's bulletin was sent out earlier than normal to accommodate the late CQWW DX CW Contest announcements. Also, we wanted to provide the readers with a consolidated listing of the CQWW DX CW Contest participants.

DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Saturday, 16th-November, through Friday, 22nd-November there were 229 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3B9, 3D2, 3DA, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5A, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5V, 5W, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9V, 9X, 9Y, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C2, C3, C5, C6, CE, CE0Z, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, EU, EX, EY, F, FG, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FS, FW, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J5, J6, J7, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KH8, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ5, PJ7, PY, PY0F, PZ, S2, S5, S7, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T30, T33, T7, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TR, TU, TY, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V4, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VP2E, VP2M, VP2V, VP5, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VR, VU, VU7, XE, XT, XU, XX9, XZ, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, Z8, ZA, ZB, ZD7, ZD8, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS, ZS8

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

3B8, MAURITIUS ISLAND. Operators Johnny/SM6JBC and Jan/SM6GOR are once again active from Mauritius Island (AF-049) as 3B8JB and 3B8/SM6GOR, respectively, until December 16th. Activity will be on 20-10 meters, possibly 30 meters (lots of interference from electronic devices). Look for Johnny to be on SSB, PSK31 and PSK63, and Jan will operate mainly on CW. They will use a R7 GP and test some loop antennas as well. QSL via their home callsigns.

3W, VIETNAM. Eddy, XV1X, will be active as 3W1T from Hanoi during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (10m)/ High-Power entry. He states, "mainly 10m for North America: Short Path 0000z-0130z and Long Path 1300-1500z". QSL via RW6HS.

6Y, JAMAICA. "The Daily DX" reports that a group of operators from Russia and Kazakhstan are now active as 6Y7W from Jamaica (NA-097). The group will be in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) as a Multi-Op entry. QSL via UA8DX.

6Y, JAMAICA. Valery, UN7LZ, is now active as 6Y5/UN7LZ from Jamaica (NA-097) until November 30th. Activity has been mostly on 80/40/15/10 meters CW. QSL via his home callsign.

7P, LESOTHO. There have been some reports stating that Bernie, ZS4TX, is now active as 7P8Z from Lesotho until November 30th. This is NOT true according to Bernie. He informs OPDX, "It was only a one day [afternoon] operation to make use of a rare late season 6m opening we had to Europe for 2 days in a row. I worked about 50 Southern EU stations in the 2 hour opening. I am back in ZS4. Lesotho is only a 120km drive from here." QSL via ZS4TX.

AFRICAN TOUR (Update). Wim, ON6DX (ex-ON4CIT), who was active as 5V7TH this past week from Togo (Grid Square JJ06rf), was expected to be active from Benin this coming week. However, it was reported on "DX-World.net" that Wim made it to Coutenou, Benin, to collect his TY1 callsign and papers, but when he arrived at the ATRPT building to collect them, he had NO luck. Apparently, the building burned down a week ago, so he had to submit another application. It will take 1 or 2 weeks (Africa time) to process.

AFRICAN TOUR (Update). Operators Mathias/DJ2HD and Ulmar/DK1CE will once again be active as V5/DJ2HD and V5/DK1CE from Namibia between December 14th and January 18th (2014). This is just one part of their 4x4 trip through different African countries. Activity will be holiday style on CW, SSB and RTTY, but will also include a SSB entry in the DARC 10m Contest (January 14th). During this time frame, Mathias and Ulmar will also travel to and be active as 7P8DJ and 7P8CE, respectively, from Lesotho between December 22-24th. Their plans also include to be active from South Africa (as ZS/DJ2HD and ZS/DK1CE) and one more country to be announced later, but no scheduled days have been provided. QSL all call-signs via their home callsigns, direct or by the Bureau.

AH0, MARIANA ISLANDS. Members of the Saipan BBQ Contest Club will be active as AH0BT during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) as a Multi-2 entry. QSL via 7L1FPU, direct, by the Bureau or LoTW. PLEASE DO

NOT QSL via the KH0 Bureau. Operators mentioned are Kuny/7L1FPU (W1FPU), Moto/JE1NDE (W1NDE), Mac/JJ2QXI (K2QXI), Hiroyuki/JG7PSJ (KW2X) and Tomo/KI6LAO.

AU2, INDIA (Special Event). Look for special event station AU2JCB to be active between November 22nd and December 10th. Activity will be on 80-6 meters SSB, SSTV, PSK and FM. Suggested frequencies are (depending on the propagation): 3710, 7040, 7150, 14220, 14250, 14310, 21280, 21310, 28490, 28510 and 28545 kHz. FM mode: 50800, 51500 and 29700 kHz. If higher bands are open, operations will be on those bands. The operator will be Surabhi, VU2DSI. QSL direct (with 2 IRCs) to VU2DSI. Operations are to celebrate the 155th anniversary of the birth (November 30th) of Sir Jagadeesh Chandra Bose, India's great scientist and inventor who they consider the "Father of Wireless Communication". For more details, see the following Web page at: http://www.qsl.net/vu2msy/JCBOSE.htm

CN2, MOROCCO. Jim, W7EJ, will once again be active as CN2R during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (15m)/High-Power entry. He will be here until November 30th. QSL via W7EJ.

CO, CUBA. Frank, CO2IR, will be active from Cuba (NA-015, WW Loc. EL83tc) during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) as a Single-Op/All-Bands/QRP entry. QSL via direct to EB7DX as listed on QRZ.com.

CR3/CT9, MADEIRA ISLANDS. The CR3L contest station in Santana on Madeira Island (AF-014) will be activated during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) as a Multi-2 entry. Operators mentioned are Ulf/DL5AXX, Frank/DL8WAA, Ulrich/DJ2YA, Tom/DL5LYM, Arno/DL1CW, Falk/DK7YY, Rudolf/DM2XO and Lars/DF1LON. QSL CR3L via DJ6QT. Activity by the operators outside of the contest signing /CT9, please QSL via their home callsign. Visit the CR3L Santana, Madeira Island, Web page at: http://www.cq3l.de

D4, CAPE VERDE. Girts, YL2KL, is now active as D44TLL from Sao Vicente Island (AF-086) until November 30th. Activity has been mainly 30 meters CW. QSL D44TLL via YL2KL. ADDED NOTE: Girts is part of the D4C CQWW DX CW Contest team (Multi-Op entry).

DXCC NEWS. Bill Moore, NC1L, ARRL Awards Branch Manager, reports that the following operations are approved for DXCC credit:
ZS8C and ZS8Z ☐ Prince Edward & Marion Islands; Current operation for 2013 through May 2014.
Please Note: Bill states, "2 student hams are expected to join in upon completion of their licensing, which will make it four (4) operators. I'll update this approval when I have more information."

E7, BOSNIA-HERZEGOVINA. Operators Richard/9A1TT, Chris/9A5K, Ranko/E70R, Vlado/E70T, Zoran/E76C, Zeljko/E77C, Braco/E77DX, Rob/E77E and Radomir/E77W will be active as E7DX during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via E77E. For more info on their contest station, see: http://www.e7dx.com

EF6, BALEARIC ISLANDS. Bernd, VK2IA, will be active as EF6B from Ibiza Island (EU-004), QTH and station of Josep, EA6BF, during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via LoTW.

EF8, CANARY ISLANDS. Heijo, DJ1OJ, will be active as EF8O from the Canary Islands (AF-004) during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via DJ1OJ.

EY, TAJIKISTAN (Cancelled). Nodir, EY8MM, from Dushanbe, who was expected to be active during the CQWW DX CW Contest weekend, has cancelled his activity because of the flu.

FR, REUNION. By the time yo read this, Jean-Pierre, F5AHO, will be active as FR/F5AHO from Reunion Island (AF-016) until December 4th. Activity will be on 20/17/15/10 meters using SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via F5AHO, by the Bureau or direct.

GJ/MJ0, JERSEY. Mat, MJ0ASP (aka-F5SHQ), will be active as GJ2A during the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 15-16th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via the LoTW.

HC1, ECUADOR. Operators Tom/K3WT, Bill/W0OR and Ron/N0AT will be active as HC1WDT during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via N0AT, or via ClubLog or LoTW. Operators will be active outside of the contest as HC1/homecall. QSL portable callsigns via their home callsigns.

HC2, ECUADOR. Sergey, R4WAA, is now active as HC2TWA until November 27th. Activity will be on 40-10 meters and include the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (??) entry. QSL via his home callsign.

HC2/HD2, ECUADOR. Yuri, VE3DZ, will be active as HC2TDZ between now and November 25th. Activity will include the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th), possibly signing HD2T in the Contest, as a Single-Op/All-Band/ High-Power entry. QSL via VE3DZ.

HQ2, HONDURAS. Dan, HR2DMR, will be active as HQ2W during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL via KD4POJ.

IOTA NEWS.....
AF-032. The 5I0DX callsign has been applied for the 2014 DXpedition to Zanzibar Island. The arrival of the license is expected at the end of November. Once it is official, details and a Web page will be announced. The DXpedition will also be a humanitarian operation with donations of medicines to the "Italy Day Hospital". QSL via IK7JWX.

AS-024. Kenji, JA4GXS, plans to activate two islands in this IOTA island during the first two weeks of December as JA4GXS/6.
Look for him to activate:
Hateruma Island (WLOTA 0497); December 5-6th
Yonaguni Island (WLOTA 1035); December 8-9th

Activity will be on 40/30/20/17/15 meters using CW and SSB.
QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

IW9, ITALY. Look for IW9FRA to be active from Sicily (EU-025, IIA SC-001, MIA MI-107, WLOTA 1362) during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) as a Multi-Single entry. They will be using a new antenna set up improvement for the contest. Operators mentioned are Serafino/IT9CKA, Antonio/IT9DSA and Sal/IW9FRA. QSL via IW9FRA.

K9W WAKE ISLAND UPDATE (60m). Joe, W8GEX, who was one of the operators of the K9W DXpedition, reports: "Sorry to report but as you know 60m was not very good for us. Thanks for all the reports on email, but I only got two in the log: KH2L and K7CA. I was very disappointed as I had hoped for a lot of 60m Q's. I was only able to read your email after my shift was over. On this note I do want to thank everyone for the QSO's on all the other bands. My equipment was a K3 to a Inverted Vee. The radio and antenna worked great, but I had a solid S9 to 15 over noise level most of the time. On channel 5, we had the radar which is very loud in the Pacific. My noise may have been generated from the island power plant located about 1000 feet away. Thanks for all your efforts in getting up late at night and listening for my signal. I understand as I have done it myself many times."

KH8, AMERICAN SAMOA (Update). By the time you read this, the W8A team will be active as N8A for the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) and be active as a Multi-2 entry. After the contest the team will switch back to W8A and be active until November 26th, before heading to Samoa (5W). From Samoa, some of the operators will be active as 5W8A. Activity should be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. Suggested frequencies are available online at: http://www.n8a.eu/frequencies
QSL all callsigns via ZL3CW. For more details and updates, watch the N8A Web page at: http://www.n8a.eu
Also, watch their FaceBook page at:
https://www.facebook.com/N8a2013AmericanDXpedition

LY7, LITHUANIA. Members of the Kaunas University of Technology will be active as LY7A during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) as a Multi/Multi entry. QSL via the LoTW.

MZ, SCOTLAND. Ian, G3WVG, will be active as MZ5B from Eshaness, Shetland Island (EU-012, IOSA SH01, SCOTIA SI11, ARLHS SCO-075, BARLS A3838, WLH GM-026, WLOTA LH-0867, WAB HU27) during CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (80m) entry. QSL via LoTW or to G3TXF, direct or by the Bureau.

OH0, ALAND ISLAND. Operators Jukka, OH6LI, will be active as OH0V from Aland Island (EU-002) during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via OH6V or LoTW (preferred). For a view on the antennas, see several OH0V videos on Youtube.com.

P3, CYPRUS. Operators Jack/R2AA, Oleg/R7LP, Dmitry/RT5K, Tony/RT9T, Vladimir/RV1CC, Oleg/UA9CDV, Mike/UA9CTT, Ruslan/UA9ONJ and Mikhail/

UA9PM will be active as P3N during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November
23-24th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via RW3RN.

PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (November 25th-December 1st)....
Nov/25th AN Nov/28th AN Nov/30th AN
Nov/26th HN Nov/29th AN Dec/01st AN-LN
Nov/27th AN

SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS/INDEXES AND GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE
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NORMALITY GEOMAG K Values Alpha
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AN - Above Normal Quiet K=0-1 0-7
HN - High Normal Unsettled K=2 8-15
LN - Low Normal Active K=3 16-29
BN - Below Normal Minor Storm K=4 30-49
DIS - Disturbed Major Storm K=5 50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed Severe Storm K=6-9 100-400

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (November 22nd)

3B8/SM6GOR via SM6GOR EA6/DL1QQ via DL1QQ OA4/K6ZH via K6ZH
4L/UU4JMG via W3HNK EA6/DL5KUT via DL5KUT OA4/N7NC via N7NC
5B/AA7A via AA7A EA6/E73DX via DJ2MX OD70QB via OD5QB (d)
5B/KY7M via KY7M EG5ERC via EA7HBC OL8M via OK1DRQ
5B/R7LP via R7LP EV1R via (L/d) OQ5M via ON5ZO (L/e)
5B/RV1CC via RV1CC FJ/DK7LX via DK7LX P4/R5GA via R5GA
5B/UA9CTT via UA9CTT FM/KL7WA via UT5UGR PD50JFK via PD5JFK
5C5T via EA5YU FS/WJ2O via WJ2O PJ2/VE7ACN via VE7ACN
5W0OV via WD5COV HB0/DJ1AA via DJ1AA PJ4/K4BAI via K4BAI
6Y5/UN7LZ via UN7LZ HI/K8MR via K8MR RA2FDX via RN3RQ (B/d/L)
6Y7W via UA8DX HK1/K9FY via K9FY S21ZBB via IK2VUC
8P5A via NN1N HR2/N6AA via N6AA TF/PD3EM via PD3EM
8S0DX via SM0DSG HS2013ITU via HS0AIT TO0MT via (L/e)
A71BO via A71A IG9/IZ1GAR via IZ1GAR V4/DF8AN via DF8AN
AH0K via OH6GDX IH9/IV3IYH via IK2ILH VP5/W5CW via W5CW
AU2JCB via VU2DSI II1RT/5 via IZ8DSS XP2I via OZ1BII
CE3/LU5DX via LU5DX J79MP via VO1MP XT26DJ & XT2FCJ via OK6DJ
CN2TX via UA2FM JY9FC via E73Y XV2DLH via DK8ZZ
CO6LE via EA5GL KP2B via NP3O (d) YN2CC via AJ9C
CT9/DK7YY via DK7YY LW6DG via EA5KB ZD8X via OH2KI
CV5D via CX2ABC LX/PA3ERA via PA3ERA
D44TLL via YL2KL LZ1520YYD via LZ1KCP
(e) eQSL only (d) direct only (B) Bureau only (L) LoTW only

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 3DA0ET, 4U1ITU, 4S7YSG, 4Z5LA, 5B/G7VJR, 5B4AHA,
5C5W, 5M2TT, 5W0M, 9G5TT, A52YY, A61BK, BY4IB/4, C82DX, CX7ACH, DK1MAX,
EA1EA, EA8IPP, ES2EZ, F4GBW, F4GDI, F5BZB, F6BEE, FM/KL7WA, FS/K9EL,
G0LII, GM4JR, GM6NX, HQ3W, HQ8D, HQ8S, HW8HGA, J41MF, JR1AIB, JW8HGA,
KG4HF, LA8DW, M0VAA, MX0ADU, NL7G, NN1N, NR2C, NX5O, OH2HAN, OS0S,

PD1EN, PD2GSP, RN3Z, SW8YY, SX1DX, T77C, TA1DX, TO1A, TO2TT, TO4FM, TU2T, UA0WW, UA4CR, UA7D, US1UX, V73NS, VA3FS, VE2SG, VK8DX, VP5T, XP1A, YY5JGO, ZD8LII, ZD8N, ZM90DX and ZZ2T

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 2E0WDX, 5Z4/EA4ATI, 8P5A, CQ9D, EA5LV, FO/KH0PR, G0UNK, G3MGW, GM0IQI, IS0RXF, JH1AGU, JH1OCC, JT1DA, JW7QIA, KG4KL, M5B, MM0TFU, MUOGSY, NN1N, OH1NAVY, OJ0R, PJ2/G3TXF, RA2FF, SV9/SV2FPU, T77LA, V31RL, V47JA, XW1YC and ZF2MM

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 3A/EA1DVY, 3B8/EA3BT, 5P4MG, 9X0R, AO8GLH, C21TI, C36CT, C37N, CO2IZ, CU3HQ, DL5ANT, DR1A, E4X, E74A, EA6AFR, EA6AM, EA6AR, EA6BB, EA6OM, EA6SA, EA6TS, EA6TT, EA6ZS, EA8AF, EA8AHM, EA8AJY, EA8BZH, EA8CBJ, EA8CEQ, EA8CNR, EA8CQN, EA8CVA, EA8CYR, EA8CYQ, EA8CZT, EA8DX, EA8EU, EA8GP, EA8KL, EA8LP, EA8LS, EA8MT, EA8PE, EA8TG, EA8TL, EA8VD, EA8YT, EB6ADS, EC8AFM, ED8DD, EF8AKN, EF8FLH, HI7/EA7AAW, HK0/DL5YWM, OE12M, OX/OK1JST, PJ7PT, S04R, S57DX, SV9/EA1SA, ST0R, UA1CE, KH6ND, V21ZG, VP6T and ZF2LC

S2, BANGLADESH. Just a reminder that the members of the Mediterraneo DX Club signing as S21ZBC will be active as S21ZBB during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) as a Multi-2 entry. The S21ZBC/S21ZBB will be active until November 26th. QSL Manager is Giuliano, IK2VUC; direct, by the Bureau or use the OQRS. LoTW files will be uploaded by the end of May 2014. For more info, see: http://www.mdxc.org/bangladesh2013

S7, SEYCHELLES. Igor, UA3DJY, will be active as S79ACR from Mahe Island (AF-024) for one month beginning mid-December. Activity will be holiday style on the HF bands. QSL via his home callsign.

T30, WEST KIRIBATI (Correction/Reminder). Operators Ted/JF1CCH and Kazu/JA1FUF will be active as T30TS and T30KN from West Kiribati between November 28th and December 4th. Activity will be on the HF bands (all mostly 40-10m) and possibly 6m, using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK. Ted will operate mainly on CW and SSB, while Kazu will operate mainly RTTY and PSK. They will use 100 watts into a dipole. QSL via their home callsign, direct, by the Bureau and eQSL. NO LoTW.

V5, NAMIBIA. Dietmar, DL3DXX, will be active as V5/DL3DXX between December 24th and January 8th. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via DL3DXX.

V5, NAMIBIA. Ulmar, DK1CE, will be active as V5/DK1CE between December 31st and January 6th. Activity will be holiday style on 160-10 meters using CW. QSL via DH3WO.

VE2/VC2, CANADA (Zone). Marko, N5ZO, is now active as N5ZO/VE2 from Canadians' CQ Zone 2 until November 25th. He is expected to be in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) as VC2R. QSL N5ZO/VE2 via OH0XX and VC2R via VE2IM, both either via the RAC QSL Bureau or LoTW.

VK6, AUSTRALIA. Kevin, VK6LW, will be active during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via VK6IR.

VP2V, BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS. Ted, SP3IPB, is once again active as VP2V/SP3IPB from British Virgin Islands (NA-023) possibly until November 30th. Bands and modes of activity were not provided. QSL via his home callsign.

VU2, INDIA. Prasad, VU2PTT, will be active during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via the LoTW, by the Bureau or direct using the info on QRZ.com.

VU7, LAKSHADWEEP ISLANDS (Update). A team of operators are now active as VU7AG from Agatti Island (AS-011) until December 10th. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. Suggested frequencies listed in OPDX.1136. The pilot stations have been announced: Stan/KH6CG (Chief Pilot + Asia/OC), Gary/DF2RG (EU), Luc/LU1FAM (Central & South America), Mark/N1UK (NA East Coast) and Rich/KY6R (NA West Coast). They also have an ePilot on their Web site through which DXers can get in touch with them. The Propagation page now includes custom propagation charts thanks to Stu, K6TU, and his wonderful propagation service.
Another callsign has been issued for demonstration purposes on Kavaratti Island VU7KA. This would be used only briefly when team members make presentations to the local administration in Kavaratti and educate them on amateur radio. QSL Manager is Krish, W4VKU, direct or by the Bureau (see details on the Web page). An Online QSL Request System (OQRS) will be available for all your QSL requests. OQRS will be enabled soon after the expedition. For Logbook of The World (LoTW): QSOs would be uploaded to LoTW in approximately 6 months time. The following Web page has been set up and contains bios of operators, QSL details, frequencies and a survey. Visit the VU7AG page at: http://www.vu7ag.info

XZ, MYANMAR (Update). Activity by XZ1J continues from Nay Pyi Taw until November 26th. As this was being written on November 22nd, the log shows 38919 QSOs with 13676 unique callsigns. Breakdown is 21158/CW and 17761/SSB. Remember, this will be the third and final run for 2013 from XZ-land. They plan to set up three to four stations, run 24/7 on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB, and RTTY. QSL: OQRS preferable. The XZ1J Web site is available at: http://www.xz1j.org
One of the operators, Dave, K3LP, has also set up a Web page at: http://www.k3lp.com/xz1j_2013.htm
There is also a live streaming or recorded broadcast of the operation available at: http://www.ustream.tv/channel/jookgroo

Z6, KOSOVO. Marijan, S56A, will be active as Z6/S56A from Gracanica during the CQWW DX CW Contest(November 23-24th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. He states that he has improved wire multiband antennas. QSL via his home callsign.

Z6, KOSOVO. Pekka, OH2TA, will be active as Z60WW during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) as Single-Op/Single-Band (15m) entry. QSL via OH2BH.

Z8, SOUTH SUDAN (Press Release). Received by Jarmo, OH2BN, from Juba, South Sudan, on November 21st: "LIFE ENTERS ROUTINE PHASE AT Z81X IN SOUTH SUDAN -- As it is still the end of the rainy season on the Equator in

Africa, members of the gang at Z81X have been spared many potential problems. With only a few rain showers experienced, main outdoor activities were completed in record time, and no rain or mud is bothering further efforts. But even more important, mosquitos spreading malaria are few and far between. However, team members use mosquito nets --- to keep out mosquitos during the night hours.
Agreement was reached on power, and night time juice is now available with extra compensation agreed for the cost of fuel. Also, with some private space added, life is now so much better than at the outset.
Regarding the radio mission, initial low-band (160 and 80M) targets - 1500 and 2500 QSOs respectively - are exceeded with a total of 933 USA and 595 JA QSOs on those two bands, but every effort will be made to push the numbers even higher tonight before contest traffic takes over all bands on CW.
During the contest weekend, the team will have two dedicated stations with a focus on 80 and 40M SSB and the still much needed 30 and 17/12M. Keep an eye on those bands as the Z81X crew will keep running there DXpedition style.
The CQWW CW contest will see the team making three (3) single-band entries for your Zone 34 multiplier pleasure:
Z81R by OH2PM on 10M, via OH2BH
Z81X by OH0XX on 15M, via OH0XX
Z81Z by DL3DXX on 40M, via K4ZW
As these efforts are only semi-serious, you shouldn't be surprised to see one of the Z8s appear on other bands as well.
There will be pictures available of this operation on the Z81X QRZ.com page later today.
Following the weekend, site tear down will start on Monday and the team will be heading home on Tuesday.
Best regards from the newest African country, the Republic of South Sudan."

ZF, CAYMAN ISLANDS. Operators John/K6AM, Paul/N4PN and Gerald/K5YAA will active as ZF1A from Grand Cayman Island (NA-016, WLOTA LH-1042) during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via K6AM, direct, by the W6 Bureau or LoTW.

ZV0F, FERNANDO DE NORONHA. By the time you read this, Juan-Pablo, LU8FAU, should be active as ZV0FWA from Fernando de Noronha (SA-003, WLOTA HL-1208) until November 25th. Activity will be limited, but mainly on 10 meters SSB between 1900-0400z. Watch around 28466 kHz. QSL only direct to LU8FAU. For updates and more details, visit:
http://www.lu8fau.com.ar/noticias/dxpedition-fernandodenoronha-py0f-sa-003

The following stations are expected to be active in the
CQ World Wide DX CW Contest (November 23-24th, 2013)

Thanks to Bill, NG3K, for providing OPDX readers with the following consolidated listing of the participants in the 2013 CQWW DX CW Contest. For a more detailed listing (and up-to-date changes/corrections) in HTML format, please visit Bill's Web page at:

http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/cqc2013.html (By call sign)
http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/cqcd2013.html (By entity)
http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/cqcz2013.html (By zone)

Contest Callsign	DXCC Entity	CQZ	Class	QSL Route
3B8/UU5WW	Mauritius	39		K2PF
3D2R	Rotuma	32	M/2	YT1AD
3DA0ET	Swaziland	38	M/2	LoTW; QSL via N7RO
3V8BB	Tunisia	33	SOAB	LoTW; QSL via LX1NO
3W1T	Vietnam	26	SOSB 10M	RW6HS
4L8A	Georgia	21	SOSB 15M	LoTW; QSL via K1BV
4L0A	Georgia	21	M/?	LoTW
4X2M	Israel	20	SOSB 20M	4X4DZ
5C5T	Morocco	33	M/S	EA5YU; QSL via B/d
8P5A	Barbados	08	SOAB HP	NN1N
9A1P	Croatia	15	M/S	9A2RD
9H3TX	Malta	15	M/2	DL5XAT
9J3A	Zambia	36	SOAB LP	LoTW; QSL via S57S, B/d
9M6NA	East Malaysia	28	SOAB HP	LoTW; QSL via JE1JKL, B/d
9X0NH	Rwanda	36	SOSB	G3RWF
9X0XA	Rwanda	36	SOSB	G3SWH
9Y4W	Trinidad & Tobago	09	SOSB 20M	DL4MDO
AH2R	Guam	27	M/S	LoTW; QSL via JH7QXJ (d)
AH0BT	Mariana Islands	27	M/2	LoTW
AH0K	Mariana Islands	27	M/2	OH6GDX
B4TB	China	24	M/S	BA4TB
C6AKQ	Bahamas	08	SOSB 80M	N4BP (d)
C6AUM	Bahamas	08	SOSB 40M	K4RUM (L/D/B/e/C)
C6AZZ	Bahamas	08	SOSB 15M	KQ8Z
CN2AA	Morocco	33	M/S	LoTW; QSL via UA2FM
CN2R	Morocco	33	SOSB 15M	W7EJ
CN2YM	Morocco	33	SOAB LP	DL3YM
CR3E	Madeira	33	SOAB	W3HNK
CR3L	Madeira	33	M/2	DJ6QT
CT9/R9DX	Madeira	33	SOSB 10M	R9DX
D4C	Cape Verde Island	35	M/M	IZ4DPV; QSL via B/d
E7DX	Bosnia & Herzegovina	15	M/S	E77E
EA5TEAM	Spain	14	M/?	EA5TEAM (B)
ED6A	Balearic Islands	14	M/M	DJ2MX
EF6B	Balearic Islands	14	SOAB	LoTW
EF7X	Spain	14	M/S	EA7PP
EF8O	Canary Islands	33	SOAB	DJ1OJ
EF8S	Canary Islands	33	SOSB 160M	OH2BYS
EF8U	Canary Islands	33	SOAB	LoTW
EF8X	Canary Islands	33	SOAB	W2GR
EF9O	Ceuta & Melilla	33	SOAB HP	EA5BM
ES9C	Estonia	15	M/M	LoTW
FJ/VA3RA	St. Barthelemy	08	SOSB 10M	VE3IKV

FS/K9EL St. Martin 08 SOAB HP K9EL
FS/WJ2O St. Martin 08 SOAB LP N2ZN
FY5FY French Guiana 09 SOSB 15M FY5FY
FY5KE French Guiana 09 SOSB 10M LoTW
GD6IA Isle of Man 14 SOAB HP GD6IA
GJ2A Jersey 14 SOAB HP LoTW; QSL via K2WR, (B)
GU4CHY Guernsey 14 SOSB 20M GU4CHY
GU4YOX Guernsey 14 SO HP LoTW; QSL via GU4YOX
GZ3F Shetland Islands 14 SOAB GM4FDM
HC1WDT Ecuador 10 M/S LoTW; QSL via N0AT, (C)
HD2T Ecuador 10 SOAB HP VE3DZ
HC2TWA Ecuador 10 SOSB LP R4WAA
HI/K8MR Dominican Republic 08 SOAB QRP K8MR
HI3A Dominican Republic 08 M/? LoTW; QSL via ON4IQ
HK1NA Colombia 09 M/M K6IPM
HQ2W Honduras 08 SOAB LP KD4POJ
HS0ZAR Thailand 26 M/? K3ZO
IG9W African Italy 33 SOSB 40M IZ1GAR
IH9YMC African Italy 33 SOSB eQSL
II1A Italy 15 M/2 IK1SPR
IW9FRA Sicily 15 M/S IW9FRA
J34J Grenada 08 M/? JA1HGY
J73A Dominica 08 M/2 LoTW; QSL via KU9C; NO (B)
J87GU St. Vincent 08 DL7VOG (B); QSL via (C)
J88HL St. Vincent 08 SO SP3CYY
KH7M Hawaii 31 QSL via KH6ZM (d-US/Canada);
all others via I0MWI
KP2B U.S. Virgin Islands 08 SOAB LP NP3O
KP2M U.S. Virgin Islands 08 M/S LoTW; QSL via AI4U (d)
LP5D Argentina 13 M/S AC7DX
LT7H Argentina 13 SOAB LP LU7HZ
LU1DZ Argentina 13 M/S LU1DZ
LX7I Luxembourg 14 M/2 LX2A
LY7A Lithuania 15 M/M LoTW
MZ5B Shetland Islands 14 SOSB 80M LoTW; QSL via G3TXF
N8A American Samoa 32 M/2 LoTW; QSL via ZL3CW (d)
NH2DX Guam 27 SOSB 15M NH2DX (d)
NH2T Guam 27 SOAB HP LoTW; QSL via W2YC
NP2P Virgin Islands 08 SOAB LoTW
NP4A Puerto Rico 08 SOSB 80M W3HNK
NP4Z Puerto Rico 08 SOAB N4AO
OC4CW Peru 10 M/S LoTW; QRS is available also
OH5Z Finland 15 M/S LoTW
OH0V Aland Island 15 SO LoTW
OH0Z Aland Island 15 SOAB HP W0MM
P3F Cyprus 20 M/2 M0URX
P3N Cyprus 20 M/S RW3RN
P3Z Cyprus 20 SOSB LoTW; QSL via (C)
P40F Aruba 09 SO LoTW; QSL via UA3DX
P40W Aruba 09 TBD LoTW; QSL via N2MM (d/no B)

PJ2/W9NJY Curacao 09 SO WD9DZV
PJ4A Bonaire 09 M/2 K4BAI
PJ4Q Bonaire 09 M/? W4PA
PJ7W Sint Maarten 08 M/? W2LK
PY0FF Fernando de Noronha 11 W9VA
S21ZBB Bangladesh 22 M/2 IK2VUC
SJ2W Sweden 14 M/S LoTW
SP8R Poland 14 M/2 SP8YB
TC0A Turkey 20 M/2 TA2TX; QSL also via LZ1NK
TM1A France 14 M/M F6KOP (B)
TO7A Martinique 08 UT5UGR
TX8B New Caledonia 32 M/S FK8DD
UA3R Russia (Europe) 16 M/S LoTW; QSL via RN3RQ (d)
V25A Antigua 08 SOAB KG2A
V26K Antigua 08 SOAB LP AA3B
V31YB Belize 07 K7YB
V47T St. Kitts & Nevis 08 SOAB HP W2RQ
V49J St. Kitts & Nevis 08 SOAB LP LoTW
V6A Micronesia 27 SOAB JA7HMZ
V63ZF Micronesia 27 SOSB JA7ZF
VC2R Canada 02 LoTW; QSL via VE2IM (B/d)
VK6LW Australia 29 SOAB VK6IR
VP2MMM Montserrat 08 SOAB HP W3HNK
VP2V/N3DXX Brit. Virgin Isl 08 SOAB NR6M
VP9I Bermuda 05 M/S LoTW; QSL via WW3S
VU2PTT India 22 SOAB HP LoTW; QSL via VU2PTT (d)
XP2I Greenland 40 SO LP LoTW
XT2FCJ Burkina Faso 35 M/? OK6DJ
YN2CC Nicaragua 07 SOAB LP LoTW; QSL via AJ9C
YU5R Serbia 15 M/2 LoTW
Z6/S56A Kosovo 15 SOAB LP S56A
Z60WW Kosovo 15 SOSB 15M OH2BH
Z81R South Sudan 34 SOSB 10M OH2BH
Z81X South Sudan 34 SOSB 15M OH0XX
Z81Z South Sudan 34 SOSB 40M K4ZW
ZD8M Ascension Island 36 SOSB 40M G0CKV
ZD8W Ascension Island 36 SOSB 15M W6NV
ZD8X Ascension Island 36 SOSB 10M OH2KI
ZF1A Cayman Islands 08 M/S LoTW; QSL via K6AM (B/d)
ZP9MCE Paraguay 11 SOAB LP EA5ZD
ZS4TX South Africa 38 SOSB 15M LoTW
(d) direct only (B) Bureau only (L) LoTW only (e) eQSL (C) ClubLog

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**** DX INFORMATION ****
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EA8 - Look for Andrea, EA8/IK1PMR (www.ik1pmr.com http://www.google.com/url?q=http%3A%2F%2Fwww.ik1pmr.com&sa=D&sntz=1&usg=AFQjCNGlRUcm1OBCMZc-0kakr5Fp59J4qQ) and Claudia, EA8/PA3LEO to be active from Tenerife, Canary Islands (AF-004) from 26 November to 7 January 2014. They will operate CW, RTTY and SSB on the HF bands and 6 metres. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. [TNX NG3K]
J6 - The Buddies in the Caribbean DXpedition group, which specializes in 100 watt or less low power radios and the Buddipole portable antenna systems, will be active from St Lucia (NA-108) on 1-9 December. There will be fixed operations (160-10 metres CW, SSB and digital modes), as well as portable operations from various points on the island. The operators will be W3FF (J68FF), J6/AA4W, J6/K3JDB, J6/N9AW, J6/NM4T, J6/W4QO, J6/W5EXJ and J6/W6HFP. QSL via home calls and LoTW. [TNX N9AW]
JA - Look for Kenji, JA4GXS to be active as JA4GXS/6 from Hateruma Island (AS-024) on 5-6 December and from Yonaguni Island (AS-024) on 8-9 December. he will operate CW and SSB on 40, 30, 20, 17, and 15 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX rsgbiota.org http://www.google.com/url?q=http%3A%2F%2Frsgbiota.org&sa=D&sntz=1&usg=AFQjCNGabUuB1cH_HJGRDaFTolu7ODDR0g]
OD - To celebrate the 70th anniversary of Lebanon's independence, Lebanese stations may use the special prefix OD70 until the end of November. [TNX Daily DX]
PY - Jose, PU5IKE will be active as ZW5AAA from Ilha dos Remedios (SA-027) on 7-8 December. He plans to operate SSB on 10 metres. QSL via home call (direct or bureau), LoTW and eQSL.
S9 - John IK5BCM, Beppe IK5CBE and John IK5CRH will be active as S9TF from Principe Island (AF-044) on 1-12 February 2014. They will have three stations with amplifiers, one 5-band Spiderbeam, two 6-band verticals and wire dipoles for 40 and 80 metres. QSL via IK5CRH, direct or bureau, plus LoTW and eQSL. Logsearch on Club Log. They have a website at http://gmiross.wix.com/ principe-is-2014
T30 - Ted, JF1CCH (T30TS, mainly CW with some SSB and RTTY) and Kazu, JA1FUF (T30KN, mainly PSK31 and RTTY) will be active from Tarawa, Western Kiribati (OC-017) from 28 November to 4 December. They plan to be QRV on 40-10 metres running 100 watts into dipoles. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau, and eQSL. [TNX NG3K]

T32 - Tim, NL8F will be active as T32TM from Kiritimati/Christmas Island
(OC-024) from 27 November to 4 December, when he will be joined by
other operators (David AH6HY, Dick N7RO, Paula NX1P and Dean
KW7XX). A second station will be set up and operations will
continue until 10 December using the callsign T32RC. Suggested
frequencies are:
CW 1825 3525 7025 10110 14025 18072 21025 24892 28025 kHz
SSB 1840 3790 7085 - 14190 18140 21295 24945 28440 kHz
RTTY 1838 3588 7040 10140 14080 18102 21092 24920 28082 kHz
On Top Band, T32RC will participate in the ARRL 160 Meter Contest
(6-8 December), outside the contest they will concentrate on the
working the rest of the world. QSL T32TM via K8NA. QSL T32RC via
N7RO (OQRS on Club Log) and LoTW. Further information can be found
at http://t32-2013.com/ http://www.google.com/url?q=http%3A%2F%2Ft32-2013.com%2F&sa=D&sntz
=1&usg=AFQjCNFxkrsXZQUp21HX_fbjenRwfITmcg
TY - Wim, ON6DX was not able to collect his TY licence [425DXN 1176],
as the building where Benin's Transitory Authority for the
Regulation of Posts and Telecommunications is located was damaged
by a fire that broke out in the night between 7 and 8 November.
Wim has had to make a new application, which he says "is going to
take or two weeks (Africa time)". For the time being, Wim is still
active as 5V7TH from Togo.
UR - Special Ukrainian stations EM110RAEM (QSL via UT7UT), EN110RAEM
(QSL via UT5UIA) and EO110RAEM (QSL via US5ID) will be active on
1-31 December to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the birth of
Ernst T. Krenkel (RAEM). [TNX UT7UT]
V6 - Haru, JA1XGI will be active as V63XG from Chuuk (OC-011),
Micronesia on 4-12 December. He will be QRV on 160-10 metres CW,
SSB and RTTY, with a focus on Europe on the low bands. He will
participate in the ARRL 160 Meter Contest (6-8 December). QSL via
home call, direct or bureau (logsearch and OQRS on Clublog).
Further information at http://island.geocities.jp/ v63xg/index.htm http://www.google.com/u
rl?q=http%3A%2F%2Fisland.geocities.jp%2Fv63xg%2Findex.htm&sa=D&sntz=1&usg=AFQjCNF-tZgZ83Dl
5guYrnrz9AWfQoJvLA
VP8 - Mick, G1EUZ will be active as VP8BTU from the Falkland Islands
(SA-002) between 25 November and 25 May 2014. QSL via home call
and LoTW.
VU - Special callsign AU2JCB will be in use from 22 November to 10
December t celebrate the birthdate of Indian physicist and radio
pioneer Jagadish Chandra Bose. Look for activity on 3710, 7040,
7150, 14220, 14250, 14310, 21280, 21310, 21350, 28545, 28510 kHz,
plus 6 and 10m FM on 50800, 51500 and 29700 kHz. QSL direct to
VU2DSI. [TNX NG3K]
VU7 - The VU7AG DXpedition from Agatti, Lakshadweep Islands (AS-011)
[425DXN 1176] started on 20 November around 12.55 UTC on 12 metres
SSB. W4VKU, VU2ABS and VU2RCT will be joined by VU2NKS and VU2NXM
on 23 November, and by VU2PAI and VU3DMP on the 26th. The
remaining operators will follow for the last week of activity.
The correct frequency plans are as follows:
CW 1824 3524 7024 10104 14024 18074 21024 24894 28024

SSB - 3680 7095 - 14180 18145 21280 24945 28480
RTTY - 3584 7044 10142 14084 18104 21084 24922 28084
The pilots now include KH6CG (Chief Pilot + Asia & Oceania), DF2RG (Europe), N1UK (NA East Coast), KY6R (NA West Coast) and LU1FAM (Central and South America). You can get in touch with them via the Contact page on the expedition's website. There is also an e-Pilot (a contact form for DXers to write to the island team).
The propagation page now includes custom propagation charts thanks to K6TU. QSL via W4VKU (logsearch and OQRS for direct and bureau cards on Club Log), and LoTW approximately six months after the conclusion of the DXpedition. Bookmark www.vu7ag.info http://www.google.com/url?q=http%3A%2F%2Fwww.vu7ag.info&sa=D&sntz=1&usg=AFQjCNFAt9Av6-I0u-_io28oW_YNVC2pTw for further information and updates.
W - Mike, N1OKL will be active holiday style from Dauphin Island (NA-213) on 24-29 November. He will operate SSB and RTTY. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX rgsbiota.org http://www.google.com/url?q=http%3A%2F%2Frgsbiota.org&sa=D&sntz=1&usg=AFQjCNEmSITFeZFOdaiM9TBFsqoQGT-KHQ]
Z8 - During the contest weekend, the Z81X team will have two dedicated stations with a focus on 80 and 40m SSB and the still much needed 30, 17 and 12m. The CQ WW DX CW contest will see the team making three single-band entries: Z81R by OH2PM on 10m (QSL via OH2BH), Z81X by OH0XX on 15m (QSL via OH0XX) and Z81Z by DL3DXX on 40m (QSL via K4ZW). However, "as these efforts are only semi-serious, you shouldn't be surprised to see one of the Z8s appear on other bands as well". Site teardown will start on 25 November, and the team will be heading home on the 26th. [TNX OH2BN]

CQ WW DX CW CONTEST ---> The following stations have announced their participation in this year's event (23-24 November):

ZONE	CALL	CATEGORY	COUNTRY	QSL VIA
02	VC2R	SO	Canada	LoTW/VE2IM
03	VB7A		Canada	VA7DZ
05	VP9I	M/S LP	Bermuda	LoTW/WW3S
07	HQ2W	SOAB LP	Honduras	KD4POJ
07	V31YB	SO	Belize	K7YB
07	YN2CC	SO LP	Nicaragua	LoTW/AJ9C
08	6Y7W	M/?	Jamaica	UA8DX
08	8P5A	SOAB HP	Barbados	LoTW/NN1N
08	C6AKQ	SOSB 80m	Bahamas	N4BP
08	C6AUM	SOSB 40m	Bahamas	K4RUM
08	C6AZZ	SOSB	Bahamas	KQ8Z
08	FJ/VA3RA	SOSB 10m	St Barthelemy	VE3IKV
08	FS/K9EL	SOAB HP	St Martin	K9EL
08	FS/WJ2O	SOAB LP	St Martin	N2ZN
08	HI/K8MR	SOAB QRP	Dominican Rep.	K8MR
08	HI3A	M/?	Dominican Republic	LoTW/ON4IQ
08	J34J	M/?	Grenada	LoTW/JA1HGY
08	J73A	M/?	Dominica	KU9C
08	J87GU		St Vincent	DL7VOG

08 J88HL SO St Vincent SP3CYY
08 KP2B SOAB LP Virgin Isls NP3O
08 KP2M M/S Virgin Isls LoTW/AI4U
08 NP2P SOAB Virgin Isls LoTW
08 NP3X SOSB 15m Puerto Rico NP3O
08 NP4A SOSB 80m Puerto Rico W3HNK
08 NP4Z SOAB Puerto Rico LoTW/N4AO
08 PJ7W M/? St Maarten W2LK
08 TO7A SOAB HP Martinique UT5UGR
08 V25A SO Antigua KG2A
08 V26K SOAB LP Antigua LoTW/AA3B
08 V47T SOAB HP St Kitts W2RQ
08 V49J SOAB LP St Kitts LoTW/W5JON
08 VP2MMM SOAB HP Montserrat W3HNK
08 VP2V/N3DXX SOAB British Virgin Isls NR6M
08 ZF1A M/S Cayman Isls LoTW/K6AM
09 9Y4W SOSB 20m Trinidad & Tobago DL4MDO
09 FY5FY SOSB 15m LP French Guiana FY5FY
09 FY5KE SOSB 10m HP French Guiana LoTW
09 HK1MK SO Colombia DL6IAK
09 HK1NA M/M Colombia LoTW/K6IPM
09 P40F SOAB Aruba UA3DX
09 P40W Aruba LoTW/N2MM
09 PJ2T M/M Curacao LoTW/W3HNK
09 PJ4A M/2 Bonaire K4BAI
09 PJ4Q M/2 Bonaire W4PA
10 HC1WDT M/S Ecuador LoTW/N0AT
10 HD2T SOAB HP Ecuador VE3DZ
10 HC2TWA SOSB LP Ecuador R4WAA
10 OC4CW M/? Peru LoTW/N7CW
11 PY0FF SO Fernando de Noronha W9VA
11 ZP9MCE SOAB LP Paraguay EA5ZD
13 CW0A SOSB 10m Uruguay HB9IBG or W4/CX1EK
13 CW5W SOSB 10m Uruguay CX6VM
13 LP5D M/S Argentina AC7DX
13 LU1DZ M/S Argentina LU1DZ
14 ED6A M/M Balearic Isls LoTW/DJ2MX
14 EF6B SOAB Balearic Isls LoTW
14 EF7X M/S Spain EA7PP
14 GD6IA SOAB HP Isle of Man GD6IA
14 GJ2A SOAB HP Jersey Isl LoTW
14 GU4CHY SOSB 10m Guernsey GU4CHY
14 GU4YOX SO HP Guernsey LoTW/GU4YOX
14 GZ3F SOAB Shetland Isls GM4FDM
14 HB9CA M/2 Switzerland LoTW/HB9FMU
14 LX7I M/2 Luxembourg LoTW/LX2A
14 MZ5B SOSB 80m Shetland Isls LoTW/G3TXF
14 SJ2W M/S Sweden LoTW
14 SP8R M/2 Poland SP8YB
14 TM1A M/M France F6KOP

14 TM5CD France F8KGS
15 9A1P M/S Croatia 9A2RD
15 9H3TX M/2 Malta LotW/DL5XAT
15 E7DX M/S Bosnia-Herzegovina E77E
15 ES9C M/M Estonia LoTW
15 II1A M/2 Italy IK1SPR
15 II9P M/? Sicily LoTW/IT9CHU
15 IW9FRA M/S Sicily IW9FRA
15 LY7A M/M Lithuania LoTW/LY2ZO
15 OH0V SO Aland Isls LoTW
15 OH0Z SOAB HP Aland Isls W0MM
15 OH5Z M/S Finland LoTW
15 YU5R M/2 Serbia LoTW
15 Z6/S56A SOAB LP Kosovo S56A
15 Z60WW SOSB 15m Kosovo OH2BH
16 UA3R M/S EU Russia LoTW/RN3RQ
20 4X2M SOSB 20m Israel LoTW/4X4DZ
20 P3F M/2 Cyprus LoTW/M0URX
20 P3N M/S Cyprus RW3RN
20 P3Z SOSB Cyprus LoTW/5B4AFM
20 TC0A M/2 Turkey TA2TX or LZ1NK
21 4L0A M/? Georgia LoTW/EA7FTR
21 4L8A SOSB 15m Georgia K1BV
22 S21ZBB M/2 Bangladesh IK2VUC
22 VU2PTT SOAB HP India LoTW
24 B4TB M/S HP China BA4TB
26 3W1T SOSB 10m HP Vietnam RW6HS
26 HS0ZAR M/? Thailand K3ZO
27 AH0BT M/2 Mariana Isls LoTW/7L1FPU
27 AH0K M/2 Mariana Isls OH6GDX
27 AH2R M/S Guam LoTW/JH7QXJ
27 NH2DX SOSB 15m HP Guam NH2DX
27 NH2T SOAB HP Guam LoTW/W2YC
27 V63ZF SOSB Micronesia JA7ZF
27 V6A SOAB Micronesia JA7HMZ
28 9M6NA SOAB HP East Malaysia JE1JKL
28 9M8DX SO East Malaysia SP5UAF
29 VK6LW SOAB Australia VK6IR
31 KH7M Hawaii qrz.com http://www.google.com/url?q=http%3A%2F%2Fqrz.com&sa=D&sntz=1&usg=AFQjCNGZ38KTCnS3iIn5E3r-8Ej5oIYWCA
32 3D2R M/? Rotuma YT1AD
32 N8A M/2 American Samoa ZL3CW
32 TX8B M/? New Caledonia FK8DD
33 3V8BB SOAB Tunisia LoTW/LX1NO
33 5C5T M/S Morocco EA5YU
33 CN2AA M/S Morocco LoTW/UA2FM
33 CN2R SOSB 15m Morocco W7EJ
33 CN2YM SOAB LP Morocco LoTW/DL3YM
33 CR3E SOAB Madeira Isl W3HNK
33 CR3L M/2 Madeira DJ6QT

33 CT9/R9DX SOSB 10m LP Madeira Isl R9DX
33 EF8O SOAB Canary Isls DJ1OJ
33 EF8S SOSB Canary Isls OH2BYS
33 EF8U SOAB Canary Isls LoTW
33 EF8X SOAB Canary Isls W2GR
33 EF9O SOAB HP Ceuta & Melilla LoTW/EA5BM
33 IG9W SOSB 40m HP African Italy IZ1GAR
33 IH9B SOSB 80m HP African Italy IK2ILH
33 IH9YMC SOSB African Italy eQSL
34 Z81R SOSB 10m South Sudan OH2BH
34 Z81X SOSB 15m South Sudan OH0XX
34 Z81Z SOSB 40m South Sudan K4ZW
35 D4C M/M Cape Verde IZ4DPV
35 XT2FCJ Burkina Faso OK6DJ
36 9J3A SOAB LP Zambia LoTW/S57S
36 9X0NH SOSB Rwanda G3RWF
36 9X0XA SOSB Rwanda G3SWH
36 ZD8M SOSB 40m Ascension Isl LoTW/G0CKV
36 ZD8W SOSB 15m Ascension Isl W6NV
36 ZD8X SOSB 10m Ascension Isl OH2KI
38 3DA0ET M/2 Swaziland N7RO
38 V5/DJ4SO Namibia DJ4SO
38 ZS4TX SOSB 15m South Africa LoTW
39 3B8/UU5WW SO Mauritius Isl K2PF
40 XP2I SO LP Greenland LoTW/OZ1BII
Do not forget to give a look at the Announced Operations listing maintained
by Bill, NG3K at www.ng3k.com/Misc/cqc2013.html http://www.google.com/url?q=http%3A%2F%2Fw
ww.ng3k.com%2FMisc%2Fcqc2013.html&sa=D&sntz=1&usg=AFQjCNF_tXOgHfHc50tH4XndKwOsMSgKzA -
good contest to you all!

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**** GOOD TO KNOW ... ****
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9Q ---> On 11 November, after three years of negotiations, the local
Regulatory Authority for Post and Telecommunications officially authorized
the Amateur Radio Association of the Democratic Republic of Congo (ARAC) to
use 9Q0AR (club station callsign) and 9Q0HQ (special event callsign). [TNX
DX World]

DXCC NEWS ---> ZS8C and ZS8Z (Prince Edward & Marion Islans, current
operations for 2013 through May 2014) have been approved for DXCC credit.
"Two student hams are expected to join in upon completion of their
licensing, which will make it four (4) operators. I'll update this approval
when I have more information". [TNX NC1L]

+ SILENT KEYS + Nerio Baratta, IK4MRH passed away about three weeks ago.
Emigrated to Thailand for more than twenty years, he was active as

HS0/IK4MRH from Phuket Island (AS-053). Back in 1997 he also participated in the first IOTA operation (HS9AL) from Koh Tarutao (AS-126). [TNX I4LCK] Stew Woodward, K4SMX, passed away on 16 November at 65 years of age. "He was a member of the famous 1979 1S1DX expedition, which attempted to land on Amboyna Cay in the Spratly Islands and was fired upon by military forces there" [TNX The Daily DX]

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QSLs received direct or through managers: 3B8CF, 3B8DB, 3D2MP, 4S7YSG, 4X19MG, 5N7M, 5U5U, 5Z4/EA4ATI, 8P5A, 8Q7CF, 9H1SP, 9M2TO, 9M4CC, 9M6XRO, 9X0ZM, A52IVU, C37AC, CE2MVF, CN2XN, CO6LC, CQ9D (AF-046), DS4DRE/4, E73W, EP3SMH, ES5QD, EU7A, FO/KH0PR (OC-114), G100RSGB, GW100RSGB, HL1/VO1AU, JG8NQJ/JD1, JT1DA, JT5DX, JW7QIA, KG4KL, KG4WV, LY77A, M5B, OE100HO, OH1NAVY, OJ0R, OY/DL3UB, OY9R, PJ2/DM3HZN, PJ2/G3TXF, PJ6A, RA2FF, SV8/DL7UCX, SV9/SV2FPU (EU-187), T48K, T77LA, TL0A, TT8/US3EZ, TT8TT, TU5DF, UN5J, V31RL, V63PR, V73NS, VK9NI, VP2V/W9DR, VU3RWP, X21YC, XW0YJY, XW1YC, XZ1Z, YN2PX, Z24EA, ZA/UA4WHX, ZD7FT, ZD7LP, ZF2MM.

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till 10/12 AU2JCB: special callsign 1177
till 10/12 C6ARU, C6AUM, C6AKQ: Grand Bahama (NA-080) 1173
till 10/12 VU7AG: Agatti (AS-011), Lakshadweep Islands 1177
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till 15/12 C91GBA: Mozambique 1155
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till 15/12 R100MFF: special station 1171
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till 19/11 VP8DNY: Falkland Islands (SA-002) 1171
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till 31/12 9A280-9A289: special prefixes (Croatia) 1156
till 31/12 DL50FRANCE: special station 1131
till 31/12 DS4DRE/4: Hajo Island (AS-060) 1150
till 31/12 EI13CLAN: special callsign 1130
till 31/12 Gx100C: special callsign 1134
till 31/12 Gx100RSGB: special callsigns 1130
till 31/12 HA1973BA: special callsign 1148
till 31/12 HA30S: special callsign 1136
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till 31/12 S5300TP: special callsign 1130
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till 05/01/2014 S506SLG and S506PMC: special event stations 1176
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till 01/03/2014 FK8RO: New Caledonia (OC-032) 1176
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till 31/10/2014 ZM90DX: special callsign (New Zealand) 1167
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23/11-24/11 TC0A: Bozcaada (AS-099) 1175
23/11-24/11 TX8B: New Caledonia (OC-032) 1176
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25/11-25/04/2014 VP8BTU: Falkland Islands (SA-002) 1177
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01/12-09/12 J68FF,J6/AA4W,J6/K3JDB,J6/ N9AW: St Lucia (NA-108) 1177
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04/12-12/12 V63XG: Chuuk (OC-011), Micronesia 1177
05/12-06/12 JA4GXS/6: Hateruma Island (AS-024) 1177
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28/03-09/04/2014 VK9MT: Mellish Reef (OC-072) 1173

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21897. ARLP047 Propagation de K7RA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-22 20:14:04 UTC
From: jjreisert@...
Topic: 7313 Message: 21897

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ARLP047 Propagation de K7RA

ZCZC AP47
QST de W1AW
Propagation Forecast Bulletin 47 ARLP047
>From Tad Cook, K7RA
Seattle, WA November 22, 2013
To all radio amateurs

SB PROP ARL ARLP047
ARLP047 Propagation de K7RA

Sunspot numbers made a profound leap over the past week, with the sunspot number on November 15 reaching 272, then 282 on November 17. This is a record for the current solar cycle, and this level of activity has not been observed for over a decade. Unfortunately the sunspot number declined rapidly since then, falling below 100.

You can check in the ARRL Propagation Bulletin archives to see what activity at this level and higher was like over a decade ago.

Go to http://arrl.org/w1aw-bulletins-archive-propagation and check out (in reverse order) bulletins 44 and 45 in 2003, 35 in 2002, 32 in 2002, 19 in 2002, 56 in 2001, 40 in 2001, 38 in 2001, 26 in 2001, 14 and 15 in 2001, 29 and 30 in 2000, 20 and 21 in 2000, 14 in 2000, 46 and 47 in 1999, 27 in 1999, and prior to that there was no sunspot number higher than we saw this week since Cycle 22. The last several days with zero sunspots prior to this period are detailed in bulletins 2 and 3 in 1998.

Note that for many of those periods, planetary A index was quite high. So the negative effects of all that high solar activity were geomagnetic storms.

Solar activity was national news this week, and this link has plenty of information about solar flares:
http://www.nbcnews.com/science/sun-fires-powerful-solar-flare-triggering-radio-blackout-2D11623878
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The heightened activity caused 10 meters to virtually explode, with the band full of signals from around the world.

Average daily sunspot numbers rose more than 67 points from 126.1 to 193.3, while average daily solar flux rose 10 points, from 156.9 to 166.9.

The latest prediction has solar flux at 135 on November 22-23, 130 on November 24-28, 140 on November 29-30, 135 on December 1-3, 130 on December 4, 135 on December 5-6, 130 and 135 on December 7-8, 140 on December 9-10, 135 on December 11-14 and 140 on December 15-18. Predicted values then bottom out at 115 on December 23-24, again on December 28-29, then jumping from 115 again on January 3-4 to 140 on January 5. This is a month and a half from now, so predictive value is dubious. But let's check that again in 2014.

Predicted planetary A index is 5 on November 22 through December 3, then 8, 5 and 12 on December 4-6, 10 on December 7-8, 5 on December 9-11, then 8 on December 12-13, and 5 on December 14-30.

OK1HH in Prague predicts geomagnetic activity will be quiet on November 22-25, quiet to unsettled November 26, quiet to active November 27, quiet to unsettled November 28, quiet November 29-30, active to disturbed December 1, mostly quiet December 2-3, quiet to unsettled December 4, mostly quiet December 5, quiet to active December 6-8, quiet December 9-12, active to disturbed December 13, quiet to unsettled December 14, quiet December 15-18.

Scott Bidstrup, TI3/W7RI in Costa Rica reported back on November 9, "Today was terrific. Worked dozens of Ukrainian and Eastern European stations this morning on 10 meter PSK with 30 watts into a 5/8 wave vertical. Band conditions were superb, and even now as I write this, more than an hour after sunset, I'm still seeing a few W5 stations, plus JA, VK and ZL on my waterfall, with the ZL stations the strongest."

On November 15 Scott wrote (note this was just before this week's sunspot number peak) "Looking at the current solar magnetograms, it looks like the southern hemisphere spots are becoming fewer but bigger and more intensely magnetized, which, as I understand it, is typical of early post-peak activity. On the other hand, the current imagery and the STEREO B imagery suggest there is a lot more southern hemisphere activity at the moment than there has been lately, so maybe we'll have some good conditions for awhile. I note that the 304a emission has been on an upward trend for some time, and shortwave X-ray has been active too, and is continuing to go up. Good news, at least for as long as it lasts.

"I've been on 10 meter PSK a lot lately, and have noticed that the waterfall isn't as crowded in the last few days as it has been (a week ago, it looked like 20 meters), and signals have generally been a bit weaker, in spite of the rise in solar activity of the last few days. As before, it's been mostly low latitudes. My friends on 6 meters report to me that they've never seen the trans-equatorial openings into Brazil and Argentina as active as now, and we had the Mother Of All F2 Openings into North America about a week ago (and several smaller ones since). The whole continent was accessible, and my friends are all telling me they worked a dozen or more new grid squares. The only working 6 meter radio I have is FM only, and I

didn't hear a peep on 52.525 MHz through the whole thing."

On November 15, N0JK wrote, "On November 10, EA8DBM worked FK8CP at 0055 UTC. This was likely a 'transpolar long path' over 20,000 km. 10 meters has been in good shape all week. Many have worked K9W, T33A and XR0ZR."

Also on November 15, Jim Henderson, KF7E wrote (about solar activity speculation and a second peak), "I don't know how high it will go, but I felt way back before the last peak that this would be the case. Interesting to see it when so many focus on the weakening field."

"We have better (and more) instruments this peak, so it will be educational. I still believe in Mausumi Dikpati's work (Boulder CO) showing a last gasp before a few lackluster cycles. But most of us will consider ourselves very lucky to be active on HF for the next peak to see which prediction is closest."

Dikpati, many will recall, around 2006 predicted a much stronger Cycle 24, as noted in this outdated Wikipedia entry: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mausumi_Dikpati .

Also see: http://www.hao.ucar.edu/Public/about/Staff/dikpati/. Also see http://www.universetoday.com/71029/the-suns-conveyor-belt-may-lengthen-solar-cycles/. There is also http://www.ias.ac.in/jaa/marjun2008/JAA03.pdf .

KD7DCR of Whitehall, Montana (high in the Rockies in DN35, and way off the grid) wrote on November 17: "After I read this week's report about that F2 (?) opening on 6 meters on Nov 10, I wondered if that is what I saw back on Oct 27.

"I was working the contest on that date (probably CQ Worldwide SSB DX) and decided to check 6 meters. There were no signals seen on the band scope around 0230 UTC. I called twice: W5BE in EM16 (Ponca City, Oklahoma) came back and gave me a 5/7, then KE5JXC came back with a 5/5 from EL39 (Kaplan, Louisiana), a new one! I heard some partials after this, but nothing worked. On my end, signals were low but clean and clear - I gave 5/3s. I had the amp on with a KW going out to a 7 el M2 at 48 feet. I have never experienced F2, that I know of, on 6 meters.

"I have been checking DX Maps for the E's MUF display - some days there are many, many, E's shown, mostly low value - but some are going above 50 for short windows of time, and then back below it. Our winter E's may be more robust this year than in the past."

Patrick Dyer, WA5IYX in EL09ql wrote (about 6 meter F2 propagation on November 9), "The unexpectedly high F2 MUF from a rather minor amount of geomagnetic activity at the right time of the year with enough solar flux gave perhaps the first morning 50-MHz paths from

here to the Caribbean of this poor Cycle 24. (During the peaks of Cycle 21-23 such paths from North America during 'the season' were often near-daily events for some.) A Sept 2011 (magnetic-storm induced) event in the afternoon did drive the MUFs into Ch A2 NTSC video see http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vBBxYEQZJz0

"http://giro.uml.edu/IonogramMovies/ shows the 1600z Nov 9 foF2 for Austin, TX reaching near 15 MHz, falling back to 10 MHz within three hours while those at Boulder/Idaho never saw those enhanced levels (of course, high foF2s nearly overhead do me little good).

"I am a bit surprised that some North American transcontinental 6m F2 didn't occur during all this. From my 1988 notes of reports on the old 28.885-MHz net there were mid-November dates with the solar fluxes in the 150-180 range where 50-MHz F2 paths WERE reported from VE1/W1 to W6.

Nov 9, 2013, time is UTC 1518 39.600 police, US n.e. accents (and other unID 35s and 37s) 1530 33.420 WQIN663 FL Orlando (first assumed Es, but now I wonder!) 1537 50.115 FG8OJ Guadeloupe Island (2530.6 mi) http://fg8oj.com/ 1542 50.120 P43A Aruba (2177.0 mi) 1546 55.250 NTSC Ch A2 video - assumed Es from Mexico (61.25, 67.25 also in) but with 50-MHz F2 going on I had no time to investigate it with TV tuner(s) - could have been mixed with F2 backscatter signals 1548 50.052 V44KAI/B St. Kitts (2413.9 mi) 1557 50.130 PJ4NX Bonaire (2284.3 mi) 1603 50.115 FM5AN Martinique (2589.9 mi) 1608 50.062 KP3FT/B PR Ponce (10 w beacon) 1613 50.113 NP3IR PR OROCOVIS (2176.6 mi) http://www.np3ir.com 50-MHz out c. 1625 - the rest of day was very anticlimactic here

"50-MHz F2 to Puerto Rico is about as short as it usually gets in that direction from here (though I have had the Dominican Republic that way in the prior, better, Solar Cycles). The lack of any super strong 6m F2 backscatter on Nov 9 would imply that the MUF did not likely get into Ch A2 from here. It had been hoped that the enhanced F2 zone(s) would survive long enough to produce 50-MHz Pacific paths for here, but it all had quickly collapsed well before local noon for this area."

Thanks, Patrick!

If you would like to make a comment or have a tip for our readers, email the author at, k7ra@....

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service web page at http://arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals. For an explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin, see http://arrl.org/the-sun-the-earth-the-ionosphere. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at http://arrl.org/w1aw-bulletins-archive-propagation. More good information and tutorials on propagation are at http://k9la.us/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://arrl.org/propagation.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of ARRL bulletins are at http://arrl.org/bulletins.

Sunspot numbers for November 14 through 20 were 234, 272, 213, 282, 144, 113, and 95, with a mean of 193.3. 10.7 cm flux was 175.8, 177.9, 174.5, 177, 163.3, 152.9, and 147, with a mean of 166.9. Estimated planetary A indices were 2, 8, 9, 6, 3, 3, and 4, with a mean of 5. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 2, 6, 11, 5, 2, 3, and 3, with a mean of 4.6.
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21898. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-23 15:30:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21898

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:Issued: 2013 Nov 23 1238 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 31123
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 23 Nov 2013, 1211UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 23 Nov 2013 until 25 Nov 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Active (M-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 23 Nov 2013 10CM FLUX: 140 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 24 Nov 2013 10CM FLUX: 135 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 25 Nov 2013 10CM FLUX: 130 / AP: 010
COMMENT: NOAA AR 1904, located north of AR 1899 produced a M1.1 flare on
Nov. 23, peaking at 0232 UT. There is no indication of a CME associated to
that event. This region is likely to maintain a moderate level of flaring
activity in the next 48 hours, essentially C flares, with a fair chance for
an isolated M class event, due to its proximity with AR 1899. Active
conditions are therefore foreseen for the next 48 hours. Quiet to unsettled
geomagnetic conditions are currently observed at planetary and local level
(Dourbes). ACE measurements show some slight excursions of the Bz component
of the interplanetary magnetic field down to -10 nT. This weak disturbance
is probably linked to a sector boundary crossing, that occurred late on
Nov. 22. We expect mostly quiet conditions for the next 48 hours.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 030, BASED ON 04 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 22 Nov 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 069
10CM SOLAR FLUX : ///
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 007
AK WINGST : 002
ESTIMATED AP : 002
ESTIMATED ISN : 047, BASED ON 15 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
23 0220 0232 0249 N14W56 M1.1 1N ///1904
END
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21899. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-24 15:30:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21899

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:Issued: 2013 Nov 24 1235 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 31124
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 24 Nov 2013, 1211UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 24 Nov 2013 until 26 Nov 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Active (M-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 24 Nov 2013 10CM FLUX: 127 / AP: 005
PREDICTIONS FOR 25 Nov 2013 10CM FLUX: 125 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 26 Nov 2013 10CM FLUX: 125 / AP: 011
COMMENT: Solar activity was moderate in the past 24 hours, with NOAA AR
1904 producing a M1.0 flare on Nov. 23, 1257 UT peak time, and numerous C
flares. This region should keep during the next 48 hours the same level of
activity consisting on C flares and a chance for an isolated M class event.
In the meanwhile, NOAA AR 1905, close to the East limb is likely to produce
C class flares during the same period. Active conditions are therefore
expected. Quiet geomagnetic conditions are expected for the next 48 hours.
A slight increase to unsettled conditions with an isolated period of active
conditions is possible by the end of Nov. 26 as a small coronal hole in the
northern hemisphere becomes geoeffective.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 051, BASED ON 09 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 23 Nov 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 136
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 012
AK WINGST : 007
ESTIMATED AP : 007
ESTIMATED ISN : 043, BASED ON 08 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
23 1249 1257 1305 ////// M1.0 ///1904 I/1
END
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21900. XZ1J RTTY???

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-25 00:54:44 UTC
From: <kb1jzu@...>
Topic: 21900 Message: 21900

Iain N6ML congratulations on getting them on 15M Rtty.

I honesty don't know what they are thinking. Last night they did 30M RTTY catching just the west coast/ mid of NA, and tonight started with 30 again and the 17M to 15M LP. Champ should know better!

All of these are dead shut in the NE USA when they started. They have some good numbers growing for EU & Asia but only a handful for NA and I bet zip from the east.

Got them on 2 modes and 5 bands but no RTTY (ATNO). I hope they don't end up pulling another A5A for us back here.

73 Bob

21901. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-25 15:30:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21901

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:Issued: 2013 Nov 25 1213 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 31125
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 25 Nov 2013, 1211UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 25 Nov 2013 until 27 Nov 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Active (M-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 25 Nov 2013 10CM FLUX: 124 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 26 Nov 2013 10CM FLUX: 122 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 27 Nov 2013 10CM FLUX: 122 / AP: 007
COMMENT: NOAA AR 1904 was responsible for most flaring activity yesterday,
on November 24. Seven C-flares were attributed to this active region which
is located in the NE. We expect a similar behaviour: C-flares and the
possibility of an isolated M-flare. The solar wind speed is between 300 and
350 km/s. The total interplanetary magnetic field (IMF) is below 5 nT. This
results in quiet geomagnetic conditions with the Kp and local K of Dourbes
below 4. The small coronal hole (20 degrees N, front boundary around 20
degrees W, 10 degrees wide) might introduce a geomagnetic disturbance
limited in strength and in time from late November 26 onwards.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 029, BASED ON 09 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 24 Nov 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 127
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 004
AK WINGST : 000
ESTIMATED AP : 001
ESTIMATED ISN : 052, BASED ON 15 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21902. Re: [DX-IS] XZ1J RTTY???

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-25 15:42:54 UTC
From: iain macdonnell - N6ML
Topic: 21900 Message: 21902

Good luck, Bob! They're apparently on 20m RTTY now (1540Z), but I don't hear them. I guess they had some problem with their microKeyer interface, which may have set their RTTY operations back a bit - they were trying to get the Kenwood TS-590 to work using its internal USB audio. Glad they did get something working in the end - it was a new one on RTTY for me.

73,

~iain / N6ML

On Sun, Nov 24, 2013 at 4:54 PM, <kb1jzu@...> wrote:
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21903. Re: [DX-IS] XZ1J RTTY???

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-25 15:48:13 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 21900 Message: 21903

On 11/25/2013 11:42 AM, iain macdonnell - N6ML wrote:
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21904. RE: Re: [DX-IS] XZ1J RTTY???

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-25 16:12:50 UTC
From: <kb1jzu@...>
Topic: 21900 Message: 21904

Iain/Paul Thanks
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21905. RE: [DX-IS] XZ1J RTTY???

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-25 16:20:09 UTC
From: KQ8M
Topic: 21900 Message: 21905

I'm with you Paul. With the SFI dropping it looks bad for us on high latitude east coast/eastern midwest. I tried for a short time
on 15 for the VU7 but they were so weak I lost them fast. That part of the world is tough from here.

73,
Tim Herrick, KQ8M
Charter Member North Coast Contesters
kq8m@...

AR-Cluster V6 kq8m.no-ip.org
User Ports: 23, 7373 with local skimmer, 7374 without local skimmer
Server Ports: V6 3607, V4 Active 3605, V4 Passive 3606

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Paul M Dunphy
Sent: Monday, November 25, 2013 10:48 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] XZ1J RTTY???

On 11/25/2013 11:42 AM, iain macdonnell - N6ML wrote:
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21906. Re: Re: [DX-IS] XZ1J RTTY???

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-25 16:31:44 UTC
From: iain macdonnell - N6ML
Topic: 21900 Message: 21906

You're in the log already, Bob!!! https://secure.clublog.org/charts/?c=XZ1J

Congrats!

~iain / N6ML

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21907. RE: Re: Re: [DX-IS] XZ1J RTTY???

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-25 16:38:03 UTC
From: <kb1jzu@...>
Topic: 21900 Message: 21907

Yippeeeee! # 315 RTTY only 25 left (LOL)

Can't wait to see that picture of a model 28 on top of one of those BS7 platforms.

Don't laugh we all have goals.

Thanks
Bob

---In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, <ar@...> wrote:

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Congrats!

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21908. RE: Re: Re: [DX-IS] XZ1J RTTY???

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-25 17:24:22 UTC
From: KQ8M
Topic: 21900 Message: 21908

Congrats Bob.

73,

Tim Herrick, KQ8M

Charter Member North Coast Contesters

kq8m@...

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of kb1jzu@...
Sent: Monday, November 25, 2013 11:38 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: RE: Re: Re: [DX-IS] XZ1J RTTY???

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21909. RE: RE: Re: Re: [DX-IS] XZ1J RTTY???

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-25 17:51:53 UTC
From: <kb1jzu@...>
Topic: 21900 Message: 21909

Thanks Tim
Doing a bit better than my CW count of 63.... But I'm working on it.. just hope I don't die before I get any kind of proficiency.
Later,
Bob

---In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, <kq8m@...> wrote:

Congrats Bob.

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21910. Disappearing S2 logbook QSO

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-25 17:53:12 UTC
From: Brian Alsop
Topic: 21910 Message: 21910

A few days ago the online log showed a 12M S21ZBC contact for me in the log.

Today it is gone.

Anybody else experiencing disappearing QSO's?

73 de Brian/K3KO

No virus found in this message.
Checked by AVG - www.avg.com
Version: 2012.0.2247 / Virus Database: 3629/6365 - Release Date: 11/25/13

21911. Fwd: [Club Log] Analysis of modes used on air

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-25 18:01:52 UTC
From: iain macdonnell - N6ML
Topic: 21911 Message: 21911

Quite interesting....

---------- Forwarded message ----------
From: G7VJR <michael@...>
Date: Mon, Nov 25, 2013 at 9:55 AM
Subject: [Club Log] Analysis of modes used on air
To: clublog@...

Hi all,

I re-ran a report today for John G3WKL (it's actually one that used to be available in the 'About' page, but become intractable when database got big). It's a quick look at the proportion of different modes being used on the air:

http://g7vjr.org/2013/11/what-percentage-of-qsos-are-cw/

Hope it's of interest!

vy 73
Michael G7VJR

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21912. Re: [DX-IS] Disappearing S2 logbook QSO

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-25 18:02:04 UTC
From: Fred Souto Maior
Topic: 21910 Message: 21912

Yes Brian my qso's are on and off all the time ...
Nw 2 are missed but next upload maybe will be back ... or not ...
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Fred - PY7ZZ

Em 25/11/2013 14:53, Brian Alsop escreveu:
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Este email está limpo de vírus e malwares porque a proteção do avast! Antivírus está ativa.
http://www.avast.com

21913. Re: [DX-IS] Disappearing S2 logbook QSO

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-25 18:28:28 UTC
From: Brian Alsop
Topic: 21910 Message: 21913

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> <http://www.avast.com/>
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> Este email está limpo de vírus e malwares porque a proteção do avast!
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21914. Re: [DX-IS] Disappearing S2 logbook QSO

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-25 19:27:37 UTC
From: donhall161
Topic: 21910 Message: 21914

Brian,

I had both a 10M and a 12M QSO in the online log for several days.

Neither one is in it today. Bummer!!

73 Don K5AQ

21915. RE: Disappearing S2 logbook QSO

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-25 19:43:48 UTC
From: <kb1jzu@...>
Topic: 21910 Message: 21915

Brian Same here . I believe that this is a knownproblem by the team. Seems something got corrupted on the automatic upload to the web site. Theysay however the log is okay and web log will eventually be corrected.
Bob

---In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, <alsopb@...> wrote:

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21916. Re: [DX-IS] Disappearing S2 logbook QSO

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-25 20:37:45 UTC
From: Fred Souto Maior
Topic: 21910 Message: 21916

Few days ago I lost 10 q's ... next day all 10 came back again with
the new upload ... you will get ur q's back don't worry. 73

Fred - PY7ZZ

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Este email est? limpo de v?rus e malwares porque a prote??o do avast! Antiv?rus est? ativa.
http://www.avast.com

21917. XZ1J

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-26 00:44:28 UTC
From: Tom Martin
Topic: 21917 Message: 21917

I'm very happy to have worked them 4 times for a new country #337 but wished that I could have got them on RTTY. They are on 20 meters now. 0040Z is not good for the upper midwest. Oh, well...

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Tom W8JWN
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21918. RE: [DX-IS] XZ1J

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-26 00:59:37 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 21917 Message: 21918

Well done Tom!

I did manage to get them on RTTY, one lucky QSO.

Even though I am very grateful to get through to XR0ZR on two modes, after 4 days searching I missed them on RTTY, they just seemed to give up in the end...though I must admit there were very narrow windows of openings so the chances were always going to be very remote at best....

73, Lance - VK6DU

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Tom Martin
Sent: Tuesday, 26 November 2013 8:44 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] XZ1J

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21919. DX Summitt

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-26 02:52:15 UTC
From: dchamguy@att.net
Topic: 21919 Message: 21919

dx summit seems to have taken on a different format in identifing countries on the country column. I find it somewhat difficult to decypher. Anyone else have that feeling, or am i just being old and resisting change
dale K8TS

21920. Re: [DX-IS] Disappearing S2 logbook QSO

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-26 03:32:41 UTC
From: Don Greenbaum
Topic: 21910 Message: 21920
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

The logs are all fine in S2. Uploading to Clublog is the issue and they made a mistake in uploading the complete new log instead of an incremental.

Don't worry, they'll sort it out.

Don
N1DG

At 02:27 PM 11/25/2013, donhall161 wrote:
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>Brian,
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>I had both a 10M and a 12M QSO in the online log for several days.
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>Neither one is in it today. Bummer!!
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>73 Don K5AQ
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21921. Re: [DX-IS] Disappearing S2 logbook QSO

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-26 03:38:31 UTC
From: donhall161
Topic: 21910 Message: 21921

Thanks Don

Don K5AQ

21922. 40M Weird

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-26 15:14:23 UTC
From: KQ8M
Topic: 21922 Message: 21922

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21923. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-26 15:30:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21923

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:Issued: 2013 Nov 26 1256 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 31126
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 26 Nov 2013, 1211UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 26 Nov 2013 until 28 Nov 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 26 Nov 2013 10CM FLUX: 119 / AP: 006
PREDICTIONS FOR 27 Nov 2013 10CM FLUX: 125 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 28 Nov 2013 10CM FLUX: 125 / AP: 008
COMMENT: The active region which was the most active the past days turned
over de west limb and is now out of view. A new active region is ready to
rotate over the east limb in the southern hemisphere. It produced C-flare
this morning and yesterday. More C-flares are likely. The solar wind speed
is slow: around 300 km/s. The total interplanetary magnetic field (IMF) is
even below 4nT. Consequently, there are no geomagnetic disturbances. The
Kp and local K Dourbes are below 3. There is no indication yet that this
situation will change, except for a small northern coronal hole that passed
already the central meridian. The fast speed of this coronal hole might
arrive late today or tomorrow.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 025, BASED ON 08 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 25 Nov 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 065
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 119
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 002
AK WINGST : 000
ESTIMATED AP : 001
ESTIMATED ISN : 030, BASED ON 12 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21924. RE: [DX-IS] 40M Weird

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-27 01:32:00 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 21922 Message: 21924

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21925. RE: [DX-IS] 40M Weird

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-27 01:42:09 UTC
From: Ron Notarius W3WN
Topic: 21922 Message: 21925

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21926. Re: [DX-IS] 40M Weird

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-27 01:47:06 UTC
From: iain macdonnell - N6ML
Topic: 21922 Message: 21926

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21927. Re: [DX-IS] 40M Weird

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-27 02:35:41 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 21922 Message: 21927

4U0WFP for the World Food Program was on for the CQWW and was on 40m the other night. It counts as Italy. I can use the 4U0 prefix for my CW WPX honor roll, though.

73 John AF5CC

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From: "iain macdonnell - N6ML" <ar@...>
To: <DX-IS@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Wednesday, November 27, 2013 1:47 AM
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] 40M Weird

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21928. RE: [DX-IS] 40M Weird

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-27 13:39:36 UTC
From: KQ8M
Topic: 21922 Message: 21928

You are correct Iain. Kazakhstan, UN, is what I was referring to. Usually pretty difficult from here especially 1 1/2 hours before
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21929. RE: RE: [DX-IS] 40M Weird

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-27 14:59:10 UTC
From: <kb1jzu@...>
Topic: 21922 Message: 21929

Tim
Gennadiy UN1L is very active on all bands/modes and LOTW
Bob

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21930. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-27 15:30:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21930

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:Issued: 2013 Nov 27 1334 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
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SIDC URSIGRAM 31127
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 27 Nov 2013, 1311UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 27 Nov 2013 until 29 Nov 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 27 Nov 2013 10CM FLUX: 116 / AP: 002
PREDICTIONS FOR 28 Nov 2013 10CM FLUX: 118 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 29 Nov 2013 10CM FLUX: 120 / AP: 007
COMMENT: Solar activity has been low, no C-class flares in past 24 hours.
The activity levels are expected to increase while a recurring active
region rotates over the eastern limb. There was a partial halo CME seen at
02:15 UT by LASCO-C2 after a data gap, apparently originating in a filament
eruption over the western limb. Part of the material is backsided and the
bulk of the CME is directed towards the south, so most likely the Earth
will not be affected. Solar wind speed is currently at 300 km/s with
interplanetary magnetic field intensity at 6 nT. Geomagnetic conditions are
quiet and expected to remain so.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 054, BASED ON 13 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 26 Nov 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 116
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 003
AK WINGST : 002
ESTIMATED AP : 001
ESTIMATED ISN : 028, BASED ON 15 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
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21931. RE: RE: [DX-IS] 40M Weird

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-27 15:49:36 UTC
From: KQ8M
Topic: 21922 Message: 21931

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21933. ARLP048 Propagation de K7RA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-27 16:37:38 UTC
From: jjreisert@...
Topic: 7476 Message: 21933

SB PROP @ ARL $ARLP048
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ZCZC AP48
QST de W1AW
Propagation Forecast Bulletin 48 ARLP048
>From Tad Cook, K7RA
Seattle, WA November 27, 2013
To all radio amateurs

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Because of the Thanksgiving holiday tomorrow, we have a shortened bulletin two days early, and another one will follow on Monday, December 2 which will contain the data for our regular reporting week, which is November 21-27.

But being one day short of a full week of data, we can see that so far, the average sunspot number for November 21-26 fell 131.8 points to 61.5, and average daily solar flux declined from 166.9 to 130.2. We all hope it comes back. Those numbers are compared to the previous seven days reported in last week's bulletin, November 14-20.

The latest prediction has solar flux at 120 on November 27-30, 125 on December 1-2, 130 and 140 on December 3-4, 150 on December 5-6, 155 on December 7, 165 on December 8-14, then 160, 155 and 145 on December 15-17 and 140 on December 18-19. Predicted planetary A index is 8 on November 27, 5 on November 28 through December 3, 10 and 5 on December 4-5, then 15, 15 and 12 on December 6-8, 5 on December 9-12, 10 and 8 on December 13-14, and 5 on December 15-21.

Jon Jones, N0JK of Lawrence, Kansas reported: "I corresponded with Pat, WA5IYX about the November 9, 2013 opening.

"The November 9, 2013 6 meter F2 opening for North America to the Caribbean and northern South America was unique as it is probably the first morning F2 opening of Solar Cycle 24. There were a number of these 'morning F2' openings in Solar Cycles 22 and 23. Most frequent in the late fall and winter months, and often after or during a geomagnetic storm. Pat, WA5IYX reminded me of a much bigger opening like this on November 8-9, 1991. I recall working Africa, Central and South America in the morning, followed by Hawaii then Australia in the afternoon on 6 meters. The 2013 opening dissipated before moving west to the South Pacific.

"Pat's log of the November, 1991 event can be found at,
http://www.qsl.net/wa5iyx/11081091.txt

"As for recent HF propagation, 10 meters was very good Sunday in the ARRL Sweepstakes. Rare sections such as Northwest Territories (VE8EV), Alaska, Canadian Maritime (VY2ZM), Puerto Rico and Virgin Islands were loud."

If you would like to make a comment or have a tip for our readers, email the author at, k7ra@....

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service web page at, http://arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals. For an explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin, see http://arrl.org/the-sun-the-earth-the-ionosphere. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at http://arrl.org/w1aw-bulletins-archive-propagation. More good information and tutorials on propagation are at http://k9la.us/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://arrl.org/propagation.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of ARRL bulletins are at http://arrl.org/bulletins.
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21934. RE: RE: RE: [DX-IS] 40M Weird

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-27 18:10:56 UTC
From: KQ8M
Topic: 21922 Message: 21934

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21935. ARLD048 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-27 22:54:24 UTC
From: jjreisert@...
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MAURITIUS, 3B8. Operators Johnny, SM6JBC and Jan, SM6GOR are QRV as 3B8JB and 3B8/SM6GOR, respectively, until December 16. Activity is on 20 to 10 meters and possibly 30 meters using CW, SSB, PSK31 and PKS63. QSL to home calls.

JAMAICA, 6Y. Valery, UN7LZ is QRV as 6Y5/UN7LZ until November 30. Activity is mostly on 80, 40, 15 and 10 meters using CW. QSL to home call.

CAPE VERDE, D4. Keith, G3TTC is QRV as D44TUE from Sao Vicente, IOTA AF-086, until November 30. Afterwards, he will be QRV from Santiago Island, IOTA AF-005, on December 1 and 2. Activity will be on 20 and 17 meters using SSB. QSL to home call.

CANARY ISLANDS, EA8. Andrea, IK1PMR and Claudia, PA3LEO are QRV as EA8/home calls until January 7. Activity is on the HF bands and 6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL to home calls.

REUNION ISLAND, FR. Jean-Pierre, F5AHO is QRV as FR5/F5AHO until December 4. Activity is on 20 to 10 meters using SSB and various digital modes. QSL to home call.

ST. LUCIA, J6. Operators W3FF, AA4W, K3JDB, N9AW, NM4T, W4QO, W5EXJ and W6HFP will be QRV as J68FF and J6/home calls, respectively, from December 1 to 9. Activity will be on 160 to 10 meters using CW, SSB and various digital modes. QSL to home calls.

WESTERN KIRIBATI, T30. Operators Ted, JF1CCH and Kazu, JA1FUF are QRV as T30TS and T30KN, respectively, until December 4. Activity is

on 40 to 10 meters, and possibly 6 meters, using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK. QSL to home calls.

SOMALIA, T5. Roger is QRV as 6O0LA and has been active on 20 meters using CW around 1640 to 1730z. QSL via LA4GHA.

MICRONESIA, V6. Haru, JA1XGI will be QRV as V63XG from December 4 to 12. Activity will be on 160 to 10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. This includes and entry in the upcoming ARRL 160 Meter contest. QSL to home call.

AUSTRALIA, VK. Special event station VK2013TDF is QRV until the end of the year to commemorates the Tour de Freedom cycling event being held between Esperance and Perth. QSL via operators' instructions.

BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS, VP2V. Ted, SP3IPB is QRV as VP2V/SP3IPB until November 30. QSL to home call.

LAKSHADWEEP ISLAND, VU7. A large group of operators are QRV as VU7AG from Agatti Island, IOTA AS-011, until December 10. Activity is on 160 to 10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. In addition, VU7KA is QRV from Kavaratti Island briefly during demonstration purposes for the local administration. QSL both calls via W4VKU.

ALBANIA, ZA. Peter, DL4KM is QRV as ZA/DL4KM. Activity is on the HF bands. His length of stay is unknown. QSL to home call.

ASCENSION ISLAND, ZD8. A group of operators will be QRV as ZD8UW from Green Mountain from December 2 to 6. Activity will be on 40 to 10 meters using CW and SSB and possibly WSPR. QSL via M0OXO.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The QRP ARCI Topband Sprint, RSGB 80-Meter Club CW Sprint, QRP CW Fox Hunt, NCCC Sprint, Feld Hell Sprint and the SARL Digital Contest are all on tap for the next few days and upcoming weekend. The ARS Spartan CW Sprint is scheduled for December 3. Please see November QST, page 87, December QST, page 66 and the ARRL and WA7BNM contest web sites for details.
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/EX

21936. Cluster

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-28 13:07:17 UTC
From: <kb1jzu@...>
Topic: 21936 Message: 21936

Paul, something wrong?
ve1dxi.no-ip.ca has been off since last evening.
Bob

21937. Re: [DX-IS] Cluster

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-28 14:31:18 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 21936 Message: 21937

On 11/28/2013 9:07 AM, kb1jzu@... wrote:
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> Paul, something wrong?
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> ve1dxi.no-ip.ca has been off since last evening.
>
> Bob
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Back up since 13:30 UTC. That big storm that tracked across New England got us too!

<http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/nova-scotia/no-power-for-thousands-of-nova-scotians-after-storm-1.2443366>

Try ve1dxi.no-ip.ca on port 23. Should be fine now.

73, Paul VE1DX

21938. RE: Re: [DX-IS] Cluster

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-28 14:35:42 UTC
From: <kb1jzu@...>
Topic: 21936 Message: 21938

Paul
Working great again.
Weather not over yet it is blowing pretty good down here in MA.
Will be using it for draft as I head up to my son's in Maine..Hi
All the best

Bob

---In DX-IS@yahoogroups.com, <list_dx@...> wrote:

On 11/28/2013 9:07 AM, kb1jzu@... mailto:kb1jzu@... wrote:
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73, Paul VE1DX

21939. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-28 15:30:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21939

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:Issued: 2013 Nov 28 1358 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 31128
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 28 Nov 2013, 1311UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 28 Nov 2013 until 30 Nov 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 28 Nov 2013 10CM FLUX: 129 / AP: 001
PREDICTIONS FOR 29 Nov 2013 10CM FLUX: 133 / AP: 001
PREDICTIONS FOR 30 Nov 2013 10CM FLUX: 136 / AP: 005
COMMENT: Two C-class flare sin past 24h. NOAA AR 1906 produced a C1.4 flare
peaking at 00:41 UT, the other one was seen from behind the west limb. More
C-class flares can be expected. A partial halo CME was seen by LASCO-C2 at
15:13 UT on November 27, related to a filament eruption in the northern
hemisphere. This eruption is mostly directed to the north, but a glancing
blow to the Earth is possible. The calculated speed is 540 km/s, giving a
probable arrival on November 30 around 17:00 UT. Solar wind speed is very
low (260 km/s) with magnetic field around 5nT. Geomagnetic conditions have
been quiet and are expected to remain so.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 073, BASED ON 07 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 27 Nov 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 100
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 129
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : ///
AK WINGST : 001
ESTIMATED AP : 002
ESTIMATED ISN : 054, BASED ON 18 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21940. UN7ZZ

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-28 16:47:20 UTC
From: Phil Snyder
Topic: 21940 Message: 21940

Hi all, trying to confirm some 80 meter q's and have one with UN7ZZ in Kazakhstan. I see he has an address on QRZ but no QSL info anyone had any success here?

--
Phil Snyder
N9LAH
*Get the new WUST award from the Metro DX Club
/http://www.metrodxclub.com/wust_award.htm/*

21941. RE: [DX-IS] 40M Weird - Tough spots to contact around the world - PY7ZZ

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-29 06:35:21 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 21941 Message: 21941

Hi Tim

Thanks for the empathy.

Everyone has a tough spot to contact around the world and usually that is somewhere over the north/south pole (and especially non equatorial locations). For some folk it's better than others. For us in VK6 the tough spot is all of South America and eastern Caribbean including up through east Canada/West Atlantic. (which does not include East Coast USA, with the exception of the very north east coast USA).

4U1UN is in New York and when the east coast is open LP to us, this should be doable, what makes it difficult is the window of operation.

Anyway some good news, I contacted PY7ZZ this morning on 30m CW. Now this is a rare event!! Very fluttery sigs but got a 559 exchange with Fred via the south pole. This would have been a short path communique, quite grey line but lots of sunshine in between...
It was such a delight to make the QSO. We are both avid DXers who are active daily but very, very rarely hear each other.
It's such a thrill for us when the south pole does open and always a pleasure to hear anything in South America/Caribbean/East Canada/NE USA areas.

73, Lance - VK6DU

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of KQ8M
Sent: Wednesday, 27 November 2013 9:40 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] 40M Weird

You are correct Iain. Kazakhstan, UN, is what I was referring to. Usually pretty difficult from here especially 1 1/2 hours before sunset on 40 with EU between us and them.

Lance, you guys down under sure have it rough. The countries we consider easy pickings are rare for you guys and because expeditions go for rate and not areas you guys get left out.

73,
Tim Herrick, KQ8M
Charter Member North Coast Contesters
kq8m@...

AR-Cluster V6 kq8m.no-ip.org
User Ports: 23, 7373 with local skimmer, 7374 without local skimmer Server Ports: V6 3607, V4 Active 3605, V4 Passive 3606

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of iain macdonnell -

N6ML
Sent: Tuesday, November 26, 2013 8:47 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] 40M Weird

4U1VIC counts as Austria for DXCC (but as a separate entity for WAE, and CQ DX Marathon).
4U1GSC counts as Italy.

I think Tim meant UN as in the prefix for Kazakhstan, though...

73/DX,

~iain / N6ML

On Tue, Nov 26, 2013 at 5:42 PM, Ron Notarius W3WN <wn3vaw@...> wrote:
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> Lance,
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> I believe 4U1UN is still off the air, due to building remodeling. No
> idea when (or if) it will be back on the air. hopefully
soon.
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> 4U1ITU was on during the CQ WW CW contest. I know there was at least
> one other 4U call on, but I don't think it was one that
counted as a DXCC entity.
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> From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf
> Of Lance Martin
> Sent: Tuesday, November 26, 2013 8:32 PM
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> Subject: RE: [DX-IS] 40M Weird
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> Hi Tim
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> What the UN was on? Was that 4U1UN? I still need that on SSB.
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> I am a bit better situated for S2 and VU7, they are close DX for us VKs.
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> Wasn't 10m hoping last Saturday! NA LP and EU LP were open at the same
> time which is the first time I have ever heard that on 10m
(and it was late at night).
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> Been struggling with TU here, I know Jan, Paul and Chris are doing
> their best, it's just propagation. did manage a couple of QSOs
on 20m, so at least that's something.
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> GL, guys!
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> 73, Lance - VK6DU
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> From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf
> Of KQ8M
> Sent: Tuesday, 26 November 2013 11:14 PM
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> Subject: [DX-IS] 40M Weird
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> Has anyone noticed 40M being a bit weird the past few days?
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> I was at the K8AZ contest station Saturday and an hour and a half
> before sunset they were hearing the S2 but couldn't work them
but did work a UN. Then an hour later I was tuning 40 there and BY5CD was s9, SP, and no one calling him. I called and worked with one call. Everyone there were surprised. I had to keep listening and convince myself it wasn't 6Y5CD.
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> Last night, VU7AG was on 40 RTTY and was s5 - 6 here a half hour
> before sunset. When I saw my call on the screen I fell out of my
chair and he actually had to call me again.
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> Now if only XZ and S2 show up. I know, I'm greedy.
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> 73,
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> Tim Herrick, KQ8M
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> Charter Member North Coast Contesters
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> kq8m@...
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> AR-Cluster V6 kq8m.no-ip.org
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> User Ports: 23, 7373 with local skimmer, 7374 without local skimmer
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> Server Ports: V6 3607, V4 Active 3605, V4 Passive 3606
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21942. J6 operation

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-29 06:50:34 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 21942 Message: 21942

Hi Guys

Very much looking forward to;

ST. LUCIA, J6. Operators W3FF, AA4W, K3JDB, N9AW, NM4T, W4QO, W5EXJ and W6HFP will be QRV as J68FF and J6/home calls, respectively, from December 1 to 9. Activity will be on 160 to 10 meters using CW, SSB and various digital modes. QSL to home calls.

Even though the SFI has come down a bit, the south pole has been opening, so there is a chance for us VK6s. And you guessed it, need them on 12/10m.

...ah, I am not as confident now that I see it's a buddipole DXpedition.....fingers crossed.

Good luck to all,

73, Lance - VK6DU

21943. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-29 15:30:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21943

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:Issued: 2013 Nov 29 1228 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 31129
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 29 Nov 2013, 1211UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 29 Nov 2013 until 01 Dec 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 29 Nov 2013 10CM FLUX: 136 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 30 Nov 2013 10CM FLUX: 139 / AP: 010
PREDICTIONS FOR 01 Dec 2013 10CM FLUX: 139 / AP: 007
COMMENT: NOAA AR 1907 and 1908 were responsible for the C-flaring activity
today November 29 and yesterday, November 28. We expect more C-flares. NOAA
AR 1909 is also in the running for C-flaring activity. Solar wind speed
is below 300 km/s. The slow wind carries an average total interplanetary
magnetic field (IMF) below 10nT. The earth entered another sector causing
unsettled geomagnetic conditions on the planetary level (Kp=3). Further we
expect quiet geomagnetic conditions for the rest of the UT day. Tomorrow,
November 30, a glancing blow of the filament eruption of November 27 is
possible.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 074, BASED ON 05 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 28 Nov 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 133
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 006
AK WINGST : 001
ESTIMATED AP : 002
ESTIMATED ISN : 072, BASED ON 09 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21944. 425 DX Calendar - #1178

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-30 12:50:01 UTC
From: <k9or@...>
Topic: 21944 Message: 21944

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
******* CALENDAR *******
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06/12-09/12 ZW5W: Santana de Fora Island (SA-088) 1175
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21945. 425 DX News - #1178

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-30 12:53:32 UTC
From: <k9or@...>
Topic: 21945 Message: 21945

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** DX INFORMATION ****
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Edited by I1JQJ & IK1ADH
Direttore Responsabile I2VGW

3A - Special callsign 3A60ARM will be in use on 1-31 December to celebrate the 60th anniversary of the Association des Radioamateurs de Monaco (ARM). QSL via bureau only. [TNX Les Nouvelles DX]
9L - Ivo, 9A3A is now active as 9L1A from Sierra Leone "for more than three months". He logged 2000+ QSOs during the CQ WW DX CW Contest, and is now working "on antennas improvements". 9L1A is a reissued callsign, QSL for the current operation is via 9A2AA (direct or bureau). [TNX 9A2AA]
D4 - Keith, G3TTC will be active as D44TUE from Cape Verde until 2 December. He will be on Sao Vicente (AF-086) until 30 November, and on Sao Tiago (AF-005) on 1-2 December. Look for him around 14260 and 18128 kHz. QSL via G3TTC, direct or bureau. [TNX The Daily DX]
E6 - Alan, VK4WR (E6RQ) and Graeme, VK4FI (E6SG) will be active from Niue (OC-040) on 7-17 December. They will concentrate on 6 metres, with some activity on the HF bands (40-10 metres) using a dipole and 100 watts. QSL both calls via VK4FI. [TNX OPDX Bulletin]
FK - Freddy, FK8RO (F5IRO) will be active as FK8RO/p from Ouvea Island (OC-033) on 9-13 December. He plans to be QRV on 40-10 metres CW with wire antennas. QSL via QSL via F5IRO, direct or bureau. [TNX DX World]
FM - Jim, F5MCC will be active as FM/F5MCC from Martinique (NA-107) on 3-21 December. He will operate CW and SSB on 40-10 metres. QSL via home call, bureau preferred. [TNX NG3K]
JD1_mt - Take, JG8NQJ will be back on Minami Torishima (OC-073) in mid-December. Usually he works at the local weather station for six weeks at a time, and operates mainly CW as JG8NQJ/JD1 in his spare time. QSL via JG8NQJ (bureau) or JA8CJY (direct).
JW - Once again Erik, LA2US will be active as JW2US from Bear Island (EU-027) for six months, starting in December through May 2014. He will operate mainly CW in his spare time. QSL via LA2US, direct or bureau, plus LoTW and eQSL.
OE - Jun JH4RHF, Roberto IK2PGM and Antonello IT9YVO will be active from 4U1VIC, the Vienna International Centre Amateur Radio Club, from 29 November to 1 December. QSL direct or bureau. [TNX DX

Coffee]
SP - Special station SN18PPM (the suffix stands for "Ponizej Poziomu Morza", i.e. below sea level) will be active from 29 November to 2 December from the village of Raczki Elblaskie, the lowest point of Poland (1.8 metres b.s.l.). QSL via SP4EOO.
TY - Wim, ON6DX hopes to collect his TY licence [425DXN 1177] "by the end of the week", which however is too late as he will go back home on 2 December. Therefore he will remain active as 5V7TH from Togo, with plans to return and operate from Benin "in early 2014". [TNX DX World]
UA - Special callsigns R1980M (operated by R5AX) and R1980L (operated by RX1CQ), commemorating the Moscow 1980 Summer Olympics, will be active until 7 February 2014. A very large number of other special event callsigns will be in use between 1 January and 31 March 2014 to celebrate the XXII Olympic Winter Games and the XI Paralympic Winter Games to be held in Sochi. See http://ok2014.ru/ http://ok2014.ru/ for further information, including details on various awards.
UA - Several special event stations (R110RAEM, RA110RAEM, RB110RAEM, RC110RAEM, RD110RAEM, RG110RAEM, RJ110RAEM, RK110RAEM, RL110RAEM, RM110RAEM, RN110RAEM, RO110RAEM, RQ110RAEM, RR110RAEM, RS110RAEM, RT110RAEM, RU110RAEM, RV110RAEM, RW110RAEM, RX110RAEM, RY110RAEM, RZ110RAEM) are expected to be QRV on 1-31 December to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the birth of Ernst T. Krenkel, the legendary RAEM. Information on the relevant award, QSL routes and logsearch can be found at http://raem110.ru/
ZD8 - G3VFC, G3ZAY, M0BLF, M0VFC and M1BXF will be active as ZD8UW from Ascension Island (AF-003) on 2-6 December. They will operate mainly SSB and CW on 40-10 metres, with possibly some activity on 6 metres and WSPR . Logsearch on Club Log, QSL via M0OXO (OQRS for direct and bureau cards on www.m0oxo.com http://www.m0oxo.com) and LoTW. [TNX G3ZAY]
ZF - Curt, N0OK will be active as ZF2OK from Grand Cayman Island (NA-016) on 1-8 December. He will operate holiday style on 20, 17, 15 and 10 metres mostly RTTY. QSL via home call.

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**** GOOD TO KNOW ... ****
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FT5ZM ---> On 26 December the MV "Braveheart" will depart Tauranga (New Zealand) on her long voyage to Fremantle (Australia), where she is scheduled to arrive on 13 January. On the 15th the vessel will depart for Amsterdam Island with the 14-member FT5ZM team "and lots of radio equipment" aboard. Read the latest news update (dated 26 November) on www.amsterdamdx.org http://www.amsterdamdx.org

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******* QSL ROUTES *******

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3D2AD YT1AD EF8S OH2BYS PJ4A K4BAI
3D2FW RZ3FW EF8X W2GR PJ4Q W4PA
3D2NW RW4NW EF9O EA5BM PJ7TM K2GSJ
3D2OV WD5COV EG5ERC EA7HBC PJ7W W2LK
3D2R YT1AD EG7NVG EA7URI PR5B 6K5YPD
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5W7A YT1AD HB9CA HB9FMU T30KV DL6KVA
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6Y7W UA8DX HC2TWA R4WAA T33FL AA4FL
7Z1TT NI5DX HD2T VE3DZ T33KV DL6KVA
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9A5Y 9A7W HG6N HA6KNB T40BS CO2WL
9A8M 9A3JB HG7T HA7TM T43T CO3IT
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9X0NH G3RWF II9P IT9CHU TM6M F4DXW
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AH0K OH6GDX K4D KP4TC V31YB K7YB
AH0S/KH2 JH1DVG KH2L W3HNK V31ZM M0OXO
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AL1G AC7DX KH7XX EB7DX V47T W2RQ
AU2JCB VU2DSI KH7Y EA5GL V49J W5JON
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BU2AW JN3TVX KH8/N9YU YT1AD V63ZF JA7ZF
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CE3CT EA5KB MZ5B G3TXF VP8DNY M1AYI
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CN2TX UA2FM NP4Z N4AO XV2DLH DK8ZZ
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CO7EH AD4C OD70YY OD5NJ XZ1J JH1AJT
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CR3L DJ6QT OF40R OH8DR YN2CC AJ9C
CR6K CT1ILT OH/K1HP JE2EHP YP9W YO9WF
CS2C OK1RF OH0Z W0MM YR1A YO3JR
CV5D CX2ABC OH1F OH1AF YR8D YO8KRR
CW0A HB9IBG or W4/CX1EK OH5Z OH5LIZ YT3A YU7AV
CW5W CX6VM OH8X OH2UA YT6T YU7CM
CX2BR EA5GL OK5T OK1VSL YW4D EA7JX
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21946. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-11-30 15:30:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21946

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:Issued: 2013 Nov 30 1245 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 31130
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 30 Nov 2013, 1211UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 30 Nov 2013 until 02 Dec 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 30 Nov 2013 10CM FLUX: 131 / AP: 013
PREDICTIONS FOR 01 Dec 2013 10CM FLUX: 130 / AP: 008
PREDICTIONS FOR 02 Dec 2013 10CM FLUX: 129 / AP: 007
COMMENT: NOAA AR 1907 produced the only C-flare of yesterday November 30.
We forecast a probability for C-flares slightly above 50%. A partial halo
CME was detected by CACTus. The CME appeared in the field of view of
SOHO/LASCO C2 around 19:00, November 29. There was no clear on disk
signature of the eruption. We can assume that the CME is back sided. The
solar wind speed increased to 350 km/s. The total interplanetary magnetic
field (IMF) shows also an increase since yesterday. The solar wind
structure passing near the L1 point can be possibly linked to the northern
coronal hole that passed the central meridian on November 24. The plasma
pressure although was not strong enough to cause a geomagnetic disturbance.
Similar for the z-component of the IMF which was not strongly negative. The
planetary Kp stayed below 4. We expect quiet geomagnetic conditions with
K lower than 4.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 074, BASED ON 14 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 29 Nov 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 129
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 015
AK WINGST : 008
ESTIMATED AP : 008
ESTIMATED ISN : 071, BASED ON 11 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21947. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-01 15:30:00 UTC
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Topic: 19749 Message: 21947

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:Issued: 2013 Dec 01 1201 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 31201
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 01 Dec 2013, 1212UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 01 Dec 2013 until 03 Dec 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 01 Dec 2013 10CM FLUX: 132 / AP: 015
PREDICTIONS FOR 02 Dec 2013 10CM FLUX: 132 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 03 Dec 2013 10CM FLUX: 132 / AP: 007
COMMENT: NOAA AR 1907 was responsible for the several B-flares and the 1
C-flare on November 30. We expect that the flaring situation stays as it
is: a chance of 50% for C-flares, 20% for an isolated M-flare and almost
zero chance for X-flares. A partial halo CME was detected on November 30
coming into the field of view of SOHO/LASCO C2 around 14:00 UT in the SE.
No on disk signature could be linked to this event. STEREO B EUI 195
indicates some flaring activity and a mass ejection around that time from a
region near the centre of the STEREO B solar images. This CME is determined
as back-sided. The solar wind speed has reached 500 km/s since late
November 30. The z-component of the interplanetary magnetic field (IMF) was
mainly negative resulting in a planetary and local (Dourbes) K-index of 4
late November 30. We expect the solar wind speed to decrease gradually. We
expect quiet geomagnetic conditions with possible unsettled conditions
(K=3) for the remaining part of December 1.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 084, BASED ON 15 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 30 Nov 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 131
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 024
AK WINGST : 011
ESTIMATED AP : 011
ESTIMATED ISN : ///, BASED ON /// STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21948. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1139

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-01 18:20:58 UTC
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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 24th-November, through Sunday, 1st-December there were 239 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3B9, 3D2, 3D2/r, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5A, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5V, 5W, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9V, 9X, 9Y, A2, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C5, C6, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E6, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, EU, EX, EY, F, FG, FH, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FS, FW, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J6, J7, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JX, JY, K, KH0, KH2, KH6, KH8, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ7, PY, PY0F, PZ, S2, S5, S7, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T30, T32, T5, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TN, TR, TT, TU, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V6, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK9N, VP2E, VP2M, VP2V, VP5, VP6, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VR, VU, VU7, XE, XT, XU, XX9, XZ, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, Z8, ZA, ZB, ZD7, ZD8, ZF, ZL, ZL7, ZP, ZS, ZS8

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

3A60, MONACO. Members of the Monaco Ham Radio Society (ARM) will celebrate their 60th anniversary by signing 3A60ARM between now and December 31st. Activity will be on all bands and modes. QSL via the Bureau (preferred).

A special QSL card to confirm all contacts will be sent after March 2014 via bureau. For QSLs direct (SAE + 2 US dollars, NO IRC ending 31 December 2013). NO eQSL, NO LoTW. Log will be posted (ASAP) on ClubLog.

6V, SENEGAL. Just a reminder that Robert, DL7VOA, is now active as 6V7D from Toubab Dialaw until December 7th. Activity will be mainly on CW, with some SSB, on 40-10 meters. QSL via DL7VOA. ADDED NOTE: Please be advised to only QSL this operation to DL7VOA. A Russian group used this callsign back in March of 2011.

6Y, JAMAICA. Lester, W8YCM, is currently on his annual trip to Negril, Jamaica (NA-097), and will be active as 6Y5/W8YCM until the new year. Activity will be mostly 17 meters using SSB. QSL via his home callsign.

8P, BARBADOS. Peter, G0KOK, is currently active as 8P9CC from Barbados until the middle of December (about two weeks). This is his annual trip there. He uses a FT897D into a dipole antenna. QSL via G0KOK.

9L, SIERRA LEONE. Ivo, 9A3A, is now active as 9L1A from Sierra Leone for at least until February, but he informs OPDX "most likely I will extend my stay until end of May 2014". Activity will be mainly CW, some SSB, on 40-10 meters with wire verticals mounted on a Spiderbeam pole, but he will try to install a 5 band Spiderbeam if Ivo can find a suitable position and mast. His rig is a K3 plus RM 300w amplifier. QSL via 9A2AA.

CARIBBEAN TOUR (Update). As mentioned last week, Ted, SP3IPB, is once again active as VP2V/SP3IPB from British Virgin Islands (NA-023) and is travelling with his wife Agnieszka, SQ3WN, on a yacht for the next three weeks. He informs OPDX that his VP2V/SP3IPB is good for the next 3 years and has rented a Bitter End Saba Rock Virgin Gorda bungalow. Activity will be on 40/30/20 meters using CW and SSB. He is using a TS-50 into fishing rod GP wire antennas. He also tells OPDX that he will be back on Montserrat about January 15th, and active as VP2MTK. QSL via his home callsign.

EA8, CANARY ISLANDS. Christophe, ON6ZQ, is now active as EA8/ON6ZQ/p from Isla de Gran Canaria (AF-004, DIE S-005, WLOTA 0969, WWFF EAFF-078) until December 7th. Activity will be holiday style on all the HF bands, depending on the propagation. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau. Visit his Web site at: http://www.on6zq.be

FM, MARTINIQUE. Jim, F5MCC, will be active as FM/F5MCC from Martinique Island (NA-107, DIFO FM-001, WLOTA 1041, DDFM 97) between December 3-21st. Activity will be on 40-10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via the Bureau to his home callsign. Jim will also activate 4 lighthouses on the island.

FR, REUNION ISLAND. Mike, F5PLC, is currently active as FR/F5PLC from Reunion Island. The length of his stay is not known. Activity will be on the HF bands using a KX1 with 7m vertical on a fishing-rod. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the REF Bureau.

FS, ST. MARTIN (Early Announcement). John, K9EL, will once again activate FS/K9EL from St. Martin (NA-105, DIFO FS-001, WLOTA 0383, WW Loc. FK88) between June 8-27th (2014). Activity is usually on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and possibly RTTY. Daily uploads to ClubLog and LoTW are planned. QSL via his home callsign.

FT5Z, AMSTERDAM ISLAND (Update/Press Release - Our Equipment Has Arrived In New Zealand): Col, MM0NDX, posted on the FT5ZM Web page (November 26th) [edited]: "Our sea container loaded with our pallets of equipment has arrived in New Zealand. The container had been unloaded and its contents placed in a bonded customs warehouse. It is ready for transportation by truck to the port of Tauranga.
The Braveheart will return from a mission to Raoul Island on December 6th, and be prepared to load our cargo shortly thereafter. Between December 9th and 14th the ship will be provisioned, undergo routine maintenance, and a main engine oil change. The Braveheart staff will fill our shopping list and put all dry provisions aboard the vessel.
The ship□s crew will have been at sea or working for a long time, so they will take a vacation during the week of the 15th to the 21st. On December 23rd the Braveheart will take on fuel. On the 24th fresh produce (eggs, milk, fruits, vegetables) will be put aboard. The crew will spend Christmas day with their families.
On December 26th, at 1400 the Braveheart will depart Tauranga via New Zealand's North Cape, cross the Tasman Sea south of Tasmania, cross the Great Australian Bight past Albany, and then sail north up the western coast of Australia to Fremantle. This is a 3440 nautical mile voyage that will take 17 days.
The Braveheart is scheduled to enter the port of Fremantle on Monday, January 13th. The vessel will take on fuel and provisions on January 14th. She will clear customs and depart for Amsterdam Island on January 15th with our 14 team members and lots of radio equipment aboard."

IOTA NEWS.....
OC-033. Freddy, F5IRO, will be active as FK8RO/P from Ouvea Island between December 9-13th. Activity will be on 40-10 meters, mainly CW and and some PSK, with a Elecraft K3 and dipoles and long wire antennas. QSL via F5IRO. Look for details to be posted on QRZ.com and Freddy's Blog page at: http://j28ro.blogspot.com

SA-088. (Update) Fabio, PP5BZ, will be active as ZW5W from Santana de Fora Island (DIB SC-10) between December 6-9th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using CW, SSB and possibly RTTY. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

ISWL CALLSIGNS (For December). The following ISWL club callsigns will be used throughout the month of December 2013:
GX4BJC/A - Operated from Near Bude in Cornwall, by Mike, M0SMJ. (/A WAB Square SS20 - England, and IOTA EU-005).
MX1SWL/A - Operated from Walton on the Naze, in Essex, by Herbie, G6XOU. (/A WAB Square TM22 - England; IOTA EU-005 and WLOTA LH-1841).

ALL QSLs will be handled by Herbie, G6XOU, and NOT the individual operator. The I.S.W.L. is a member of the European PSK Club. All QSL info is on <www.iswl.org.uk> or <www.qrz.com> or via <www.eQSL.cc>. NO LoTW. I.S.W.L. Awards are available to all Hams and SWLs, see <www.iswl.org.uk> for full details. The eQSL.cc cards ARE welcomed for their awards.

J6, ST. LUCIA. By the time you read this, the 5th St. Lucia Buddies in the Caribbean Suitcase DXpedition should be active until December 9th. Eight operators will be operating from Chateau Devaux on the NE side of St. Lucia. This 'Suitcase DXpedition' will operate QRP to 100-watt radio stations using backpackable Buddipole antennas to make contacts from the villa, the surrounding mountains, and (of course) from St. Lucia's superb beaches. The eight operators are Jerry/N9AW, Craig/NM4T, John/W5EXJ, Joe/K3JDB, Rick/AA4W, Jim/W4QO, Chris/W6HFP, and Budd/W3FF (J68FF). The operators will sign with their own callsign with 'J6/'. With several station on the air, operations will be on CW, SSB, and/or Digital Modes on 160-10 meters from the villa while others make contacts with portable set-ups from other J6 locations. QSO confirmation and QSLs will be available via LoTW, Bureau or direct via information on each operator's QRZ.com page.

JD1, MINAMI TORISHIMA. Take, JG8NQJ, will once again be active as JG8NQJ/JD1 from Marcus Island in the Minami Torishima (OC-073, JCG 10007) group between December 16th and March 18th (2014). He is usually there to work on the island's weather station. Activity will be limited to his spare time. He will be mainly on 17 meters but also on 15/12/10 meters CW. QSL via JA8CJY, by the Bureau or direct to: Susumu 'Sin' Sanada, 5-17, 5-4, Shin-Ei, Toyohira, Sapporo 004, Japan. Online log is available at: http://dx.qsl.net/cgi-bin/logform.cgi?jd1-jg8nqj

JW, SVALBARD. Alex, PY2SEX/DL1NX, informs OPDX that he expects to be active from Svalbard (EU-026) during Christmas (December 24-25th) for only two days, but will be there for 7 days. Activity will be on all HF bands, as well as 6 meters, using mainly CW, but with some SSB. It sounds like he will spend a lot of time of the lower bands because now in Svalbard there is no daylight until the end of January. He believes that the lower bands will be easier to work and easier to make some DX, of course if no Aurora comes up. He states, "I'm going there exactly to try to watch the Aurora,..... so if Aurora happens, no QSOs, I will be happy anyway. :) " He will try to upload his log to ClubLog and LoTW if possible, and if there is an InterNet connection. Callsign has not yet been issued, but could be JW/DL1NX (not JW/PY2SEX because Brazil does not have an agreement with Norway) or possibly a JW*** callsign. QSL via DL1NX with SAE and a valid IRC or 2 green stamps.

JW, SVALBARD. Erik, LA2US, will once again be active as JW2US on Bear Island (EU-027) for a 6 months period between December 2013 through May 2014. He states, "Again, this is not a Dxpedition - I'll be on the air as time and work schedule permit. Last time I worked 80% SSB - this time I'll mostly work CW. Contact confirmation will be uploaded to eQSL and LoTW. QSL via Bureau will be answered after June 2014." Equipment is a

FTDX5000MP into a Carolina Windom 80-10m antenna.

PJ2, CURACAO. Jeff, K8ND, was once again active from Curacao Island (SA-099, WLOTA LH-0942) to activate the Signal Point Station (PJ2T) as PJ2/K8ND, this past week/weekend, but will be leaving early Monday morning, December 2nd. However, he informs OPDX that he will be returning in January for the CQWW 160M CW Contest with Jim, W8WTS. Jeff also mentioned to OPDX to look for the following stations (at PJ2T):
* Marty, PJ2/K2PLF - Will be there until Thursday, December 5th. He has been on all sort of bands on CW, and is trying to get RTTY set up.
* Mike, PJ2/VE7ACY (also RW0CN) - Will be there until Tuesday, December 3rd. He has been on all bands, on CW (mostly) and SSB.
* A "fresh crew" will operate the ARRL 10 Meter Contest during the weekend of December 14-15th. Operators Mark/N5OT, Dave/W6DR, Yin/N9YS, Mike/NT6X and Geoff/W0CG will mostly arrive on December 11th. While Anders, SM4KYN, will be arriving December 15th.

PJ7, SINT MAARTEN. Tom, AA9A, will once again be active as PJ7AA from Sint Maarten (NA-105) between February 22nd and March 16th (2014). He informs OPDX that this is his yearly trip to Simpson Bay, and his activity will be on 40-10 meters using CW and SSB. Tom mentions, "I may be able to spend a few hours in the ARRL SSB Contest (March 2-3rd) like last year. We have family there that week and have time planned with them so contest time is very limited." Operations will be with 100 watts with a K3 and Buddipole. QSL via AA9A or LoTW.

PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (December 2-8th)....
Dec/02nd AN Dec/05th AN Dec/07th AN
Dec/03rd AN Dec/06th HN Dec/08th HN
Dec/04th HN

SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS/INDEXES AND GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE
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NORMALITY GEOMAG K Values Alpha
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AN - Above Normal Quiet K=0-1 0-7
HN - High Normal Unsettled K=2 8-15
LN - Low Normal Active K=3 16-29
BN - Below Normal Minor Storm K=4 30-49
DIS - Disturbed Major Storm K=5 50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed Severe Storm K=6-9 100-400

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (December 1st)

3D2FW via RZ3FW FG4NN via NI5DX R200SB via RN4ABD (B)
5B4ALB via RT9T (d) HB0/DF4SA via DF4SA RJ110RAEM via RT2Y
5W8A via YT1AD HC1WDT via N0AT S21B via KX7YT
9Y4/VE3EY via VE3EY HD2T via VE3DZ SN7Q via SP7GIQ
A65BP via UA6MF HI3RST/KP4 via HI3RST; T40BS via CO2WL
AE2W via YT6W (d-US address/HI-B) TA4/DL2DXA via DL2DXA

B7M via BG7LHY HS0ZEF via OE2ASL TA4/LA9DAA via LA9DAA
CR3E via W3HNK HS0ZJF/9 via ON4AFU TM2Y via F6BEE
EA6/DK9TN via DK9TN IR8IDXC via IK8WEJ V47T via W2RQ
EA6/DL6RAI via DL6RAI IZ2MIL via IW2ODY (B) V63ZF via JA7ZF
EA8/G7COD via G7COD K2QXI/KH0 via JJ2QXI VK0JJJ via K7CO
ED1BP via EA1BP KH0/JH1BXH via JH1BXH VP2V/SP3IPB via SP3IPB
ED5URR via EA5URR KH2X via EA5GL XV2YLK via JQ1YLK
EF5R via EA5BWR OE8Q via OE8SKQ (d/L) YR8D via YO8KRR
EG7NVG via EA7URI OL9Z via OK2PVF YS1/HB9KNA via HB9KNA
EI/W5GN via W5GN PJ2/W8WTS via W8WTS ZD8M via G0CKV
EO110RAEM via US5IQ R1980L via RX1CQ ZS6TQ via K3IRV
(e) eQSL only (d) direct only (B) Bureau only (L) LoTW only

CY0P QSL CARD STATUS. Murray, WA4DAN, reports: "The CY0P QSL cards have arrived and Gary, VE1RGB, reports that the QSL process has begun. Please be patient as we have received thousands of requests to date. The CY0P cards will be worth the wait. There are eight (8) different, full-color photo cards that really capture the essence of Sable Island. Rick, AI5P, did an outstanding job with his professional photography techniques that made these beautiful cards possible."

HL1ZCF QSLS. Ron, W3PV, reports: "I have just concluded my operation from Seoul as HL1ZCF and QSLs may be sent direct to my W3PV address (PO Box 3003, Boynton Beach, FL 33424), by the Bureau, via LoTW or eQSL.

IRC NEWS (UK). The UK Post office has confirmed that IRCs will not be sold in the UK. However, they are under an international obligation to redeem an IRC, provided that it is in date and stamped in the correct position by the issuing Country.

IRC NEWS (World). Just a reminder that time is running out to redeem your Nairobi model IRCs because they will expire on December 31st.

K2QXI/KH0 via JJ2QXI. Mack, JJ2QXI/K2QXI, states, "I will accept SASE/SAE + sufficient postage/IRC/GSs, via the Bureau and via E-mail. For details, please see K2QXI on the QRZ.com."

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 3DA0ET, 6W2SC, 7K1CPT, BG8UPA, C31BO, C6AUM, CE7PGO, DK1MAX, DK6IM, DM5BB, EA1GHA, F5FLU, FS/K9EL, G0HDB, G3UAS, G7SSE, HA5VZ, HB9ACA, HP1IBF, HR2DMR, HZ1PS, J5UAP, J79WI, JA1SKE, JA8COE, JE1HRC, JE4CIL, JH0INP, JM1XCW, JN3SAC, KL7RA, LU4ECN, OD5PY, PA1BR, PY2PRB, PY2TIM, PY4OY, R6JY, SP6NVN, SQ3JPA, UD3T, UR1MI, UX3IW, V31MA, VA7ST, VE4DXR, VE7ON, SE2K, YE5R, YO5NY and YR1A

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 6V7Q, 9X0ZM, E6AK, E6AY, E51AAR, ER5LL, K4YT/3B9, SV5PFC, T01A, TI5W, TM0SM, UK8ZC, Z21DXI and ZS8C

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 3B7C, 3DA0PW, 5X1NH, 8Q7UY, 9H3XV, 9M2CNC, CT3/DF8AA, CT3FT, EA9/EC7DZZ, ES9BLJ, EA9BO, EA9CD, EA9PD, EA9PY, FM/KL7WA, KP2ZZ, P29NI, S79K, SV5/DL7YS, T32C, TF/M0BLF, TK/DL1RTL, TO7A, VK9X/G6AY, ZD8RH and ZQ2EO

T32, EAST KIRIBATI (Reminder). Tim, NL8F, is currently active as T32TM from Christmas Island (OC-024) until December 4th. After the 4th, a team of operators will join Tim, and the group will then use the callsign T32RC until December 11th. Activity is to celebrate the 12th anniversary of the Russian Robinson Club. Look for operations to be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. The T32RC team plans to be in the ARRL 160 Meter Contest (December 6-8th). QSL via ClubLog's OQRS (preferred) or LoTW (6 months after operation). Also QSL via N7RO, direct or by the Bureau. No eQSL. QSL T32TN via K8NA, direct or by the Bureau. For more details and updates, visit: http://www.t32-2013.com

V5, NAMIBIA (Update). Operators Uwe/DL9NDS and Ewald/DJ2BQ will once again be active as V5/homecall from Namibia between Janaury 2-18th. Activity will probably be on all bands 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY, but with a focus on 160/80/40m and RTTY. QSL via their home callsign (see QRZ.com).

V6, MICRONESIA. Haru, JA1XGI will once again be active as V63XG from Weno Island, Chuuk Islands (OC-011), between December 4-12th. Activity will be on 160-10 meters, including the 30/17/12m, using CW, SSB and RTTY. His operation will be focused on Europe on the lower bands (160/80m). He also plans to be in the ARRL 160 Meter Contest (December 6-8th). QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau. An OQRS will be available on ClubLog. For more details and updates, visit his Web page or Blog at:
http://island.geocities.jp/v63xg/index.htm
http://ja1xgidxvacation.blogspot.com

VK9M, MELLISH REEF (Update From Press Release #4). Team Mellish 2014 sent out a press release (#4) on November 30th. Excerpts from the release state, "Many activities are underway as planning continues for the Mellish Reef DXpedition scheduled for March 28, 2014, to April 9, 2014."
The team is happy to announce that Mike Shapiro, WA6O, joined the team. Mike, originally from Moscow, Russia, has lived in the USA for the past 22 years. First licensed as UA3AIW, he operated mostly from UK3ABF, UK3ACL, and other club stations in Moscow. In 1998, he received AD6GY and WA6O in 1999. He's a member of Northern California Contest Club, and 40m captain in N6RO contest team.
Also, joining the Pilot Team as the South American pilot Luciano Sampaio De Souza, PT7WA. Luciano entered ham radio in 1966, his first call was PY7VNY, and in 1977 he received PT7WA. He operates CW/SSB and has worked all but one DXCC entity on CW, the elusive P5. Luciano is also an IOTA enthusiast having over 975 islands confirmed. He is also the QSL Manager for several DXpeditions.
Many have asked, including the ARRL and most all major sponsors: "Do you have landing permission?" They have written approval to land on Mellish Reef from the Australian government. In July, they contacted the appropriate agency and asked for permission to use the reef. After about 5 weeks, and a few rounds of "Questions and Answers", the agency concluded (in writing) that they do not need a permit.
Signing on as a corporate sponsor is <FoldingAntennas.Com> whose "folding (hex) beam antenna" will join their antenna lineup. They are also happy to have both Elecraft and SteppIR as corporate sponsors.

They mention that they began actively raising funds in October. The team is honored to have received significant recognition from: The Northern California DX Foundation (NCDXF), Oceania DX Group ☐ Australia (ODXG), International DX Association (INDEXA), The Mediterraneo DX Association (MDXA), The Carolina DX Association (CDXA), Chiltern DX Association (CDXA), The German DX Foundation (GDXF), The European DX Foundation (EUDXF), The Lone Star DX Association (LSDXA), Southwest Ohio DX Association (SODXA), Northern California DX Club (NCDXC), and other organizations. They also began receiving assistance from individual DXers. With a total budget of 127,000(USDs), they certainly appreciate the recognition and look forward to hear from interested DXers, especially those that need Mellish Reef for an "All Time New One". Donations are welcomed through the Web site <vk9mt.com> or by check / money order in US dollars to: Mellish Reef 2014 DX-pedition, Gene Spinelli, Treasurer, PO Box 189, Divide, CO, USA 80814. For their friends outside the USA please use PayPal or E-mail for wire transfer instructions at: info@...
Also, for additional information about the DXpedition, please send E-mail to the above address.
The complete text of press release #4 will not be on their Web page until on or about December 8th, because their Webmaster is on holiday and does not have Internet access.

VP5, TURKS AND CAICOS. Steve, VE3OC, will be active as VP5/VE3OC from the Island of Providenciales (NA-002) between December 19-26th. Activity will be limited (between scuba dives) and holiday style. His equipment consists of an Icom IC-7000, Buddiepole antenna, Lithium-Ion battery for portable use on the beach and cliff sides. He will try his best to load log via eQSL. NO QSLs via the Bureau. If you would like an actual QSL card, please QSL direct via VE3OC (address on QRZ.com) with 5 USDs to cover postage and printing.

VU7, LAKSHADWEEP ISLANDS (Update). Operators active as VU7AG from Agatti Island (AS-011) will continue until December 10th. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. Remember, another callsign has been issued for demonstration purposes on Kavaratti Island VU7KA. This would be used only briefly when team members make presentations to the local administration in Kavaratti and educate them on amateur radio. QSL Manager is Krish, W4VKU, direct or by the Bureau (see details on the Web page). An Online QSL Request System (OQRS) will be available for all your QSL requests. OQRS will be enabled soon after the DXpedition. For Logbook of The World (LoTW): QSOs would be uploaded to LoTW in approximately 6 months time. The VU7AG Web page, with QSL details and frequencies is available at: http://www.vu7ag.info

XU, CAMBODIA. John, KF0RQ, will once again be active as XU7ACQ from Phnom Penh between February 25th and March 21st. Activity will be holiday style (he is there to visit his daughter and family) on 40-10 meters using SSB and the Digital modes (RTTY/PSK31). He informs OPDX that he will be using a broadband 5 band Hex beam at 35 feet for 20-10 meters and a trapped vertical for 40m. John is still looking for South Dakota and

Delaware QSOs for his WAS from XU. QSL via KF0RQ. Online log search is available at ClubLog.

XV, VIETNAM. Just a reminder that Mats, SM6LRR (RM2D), is now active as XV2LRR from Phan Tiet until December 14th. Activity will be holiday style on 40-10 meters using CW and SSB. He will use a TS-590s with 100w into a vertical (40/30/15m) and Inverted Vee dipoles (20/17/12/10m). QSL is via LoTW only (possibly some cards may be printed at a future date).

YN, NICARAGUA. Scott, K7ZO, will once again be active as YN5ZO between December 11-18th. Activity will be on 20-10 meters, using SSB and possibly RTTY. He plans to be in the ARRL 10M Contest (December 14-15th) as a Single-Op/Mode-SSB/High-Power entry. Antenna is a Spiderbeam for 20-10m. QSL via K7ZO and LoTW.

Z8, SOUTH SUDAN (Press Release from Juba, dated November 25th). Martti, OH2BH, writes [edited]: "LIFE IS GOOD IN SOUTH SUDAN AFTER CONTEST WEEKEND -- Now that the CQWW CW contest is over, life is getting back to normal in this African Republic. The two local hosts, Z81B and Z81D, have embarked on trips abroad, leaving the Missionary team in charge of wrapping up their duties before heading home tomorrow Tuesday.
As a thunderstorm hit the area yesterday at dawn, there went their beverages for the night. The wires were running outside the guarded area and thus there was no way to repair them last night. Apologies for last night with no RX antennas and with high atmospheric noise which left many calling in vain... So, with a fresh mind the team has now repaired the western beverage and will reappear tonight still with three stations - 160, 80 and 30M.
The contest effort on four bands resulted in 9000 QSOs. Kindly follow the individual QRZ.com sites for Z81R and Z81Z for further QSLing instructions. The plan is to have ClubLog updated before 0000 UTC tonight.
The team is healthy and in high spirits but also looking forward to returning home for a reunion with their dear ones ahead of a well deserved Christmas Season.
The team will depart tomorrow at 1500 UTC flying to Nairobi, Kenya, and back to Europe. Diya, Z81D, is left with an 80M vertical plus a new FTdx3000 and Acom 1000 to boost his activity on all bands but specifically on 80M. DX will be plentiful from South Sudan."

ZD8, ASCENSION ISLAND (AF-003). Five members of the Cambridge University Wireless Society will be active as ZD8UW from Green Mountain on Ascension Island between December 2-6th. Activity will be on the HF bands, 40-10 meters including the 30/17/12 using CW and SSB. Operators mentioned are: Terry/G3VFC, Martin/G3ZAY, Dominic/M0BLF, Robert/M0VFC and Gavin/M1BXF. They will be operating with Elecraft K3s. They won□t have internet access at the QTH, but logs should be uploaded roughly daily to Clublog. The logs will also go on LoTW once they return home, but they can't apply for the LoTW certificate in advance as they won't be collecting their radio licence until they get to Ascension. QSL will be via M0OXO.
For updates, watch: http://www.g6uw.org/dxpeditions/zd8uw

ZS7, ANTARCTICA. Operators Adam/ZS7V and Philip/ZS7PHM are now at the South African National Antarctic Exploration (Sanae) IV Base Antarctica (AN-016, WAP ZAF-03) until the end of February 2014. Activity will be on the HF bands. Watch 15 and 20 meters. QSL via ZS1HF. For updates, watch the WAP Web Page at:
http://www.waponline.it/NewsInformation/tabid/225/Default.aspx

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SPECIAL NOTE BY EDITOR (Updated 09/15/2013): If you are having a problem receiving bounced mail by sending mail to me via <kb8nw@...>, please send mail to me via <kb8nw@...> ...... TNX de Tedd KB8NW
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PLEASE NOTICE (as of February 12th), NEW ADDRESS CHANGES FOR THE OPDX INTERNET HELP/SUBSCRIBE/UNSUBSCRIBE REQUESTS:
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Subscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@...?subject=subscribe>
Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@...?subject=unsubscribe>
OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):
http://www.papays.com/opdx.html
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http://www.nodxa.org
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21949. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-02 15:30:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21949

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:Issued: 2013 Dec 02 1312 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 31202
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 02 Dec 2013, 1312UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 02 Dec 2013 until 04 Dec 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 02 Dec 2013 10CM FLUX: 131 / AP: 008
PREDICTIONS FOR 03 Dec 2013 10CM FLUX: 131 / AP: 010
PREDICTIONS FOR 04 Dec 2013 10CM FLUX: 131 / AP: 007
COMMENT: Flaring activity was yesterday, December 1 and up to this moment
today, December 2 limited to the C-level. The probability for C-flares is
around 60%, for M-flares around 10% and almost no chance for X-flares. The
candidates to populate the flare-club are NOAA AR 1907, 1908 and 1909.
Geomagnetic conditions were quiet: K<3. This was due to a positive
z-component of the interplanetary magnetic field (IMF). The IMF has
although a relatively high value around 10nT. If the z-component turns
negative, unsettled conditions are possible. The solar wind speed is
decreasing. A coronal hole will approach the central meridian tomorrow.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 094, BASED ON 16 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 01 Dec 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 131
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 008
AK WINGST : 009
ESTIMATED AP : 010
ESTIMATED ISN : 085, BASED ON 22 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21950. ARLP049 Propagation de K7RA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-02 20:34:56 UTC
From: jjreisert@...
Topic: 7575 Message: 21950

SB PROP @ ARL $ARLP049
ARLP049 Propagation de K7RA

ZCZC AP49
QST de W1AW
Propagation Forecast Bulletin 49 ARLP049
>From Tad Cook, K7RA
Seattle, WA December 2, 2013
To all radio amateurs

SB PROP ARL ARLP049
ARLP049 Propagation de K7RA

This is a catch-up bulletin released Monday morning after the Thanksgiving Holiday.

We had quite an active week on November 14-20, and today we are reporting the numbers for the following week, November 21-27, and beyond.

Average daily sunspot numbers fell from 193.3 in the earlier period to 63.6 in the latter, and in the four days since then, November 28 through December 1, the average daily sunspot number rose to 100.3.

Average daily solar flux was also off, from 166.9 in the earlier period to 130 in the latter, then in the following four days the average solar flux was 130.8.

Geomagnetic indices were quiet, except that on November 29 through December 1 the planetary A index was 8, 9 and 10. Still, these are very moderate numbers, indicating conditions were slightly unsettled.

Predicted solar flux is 130 on December 2, 135 on December 3-4, then 140, 145, 140, 135 and 140 on December 5-9, 165 on December 9-14, then 160, 155 and 145 on December 15-17, 140 on December 18-19, 135 on December 20, and 130 on December 21-24.

Predicted planetary A index is 15 on December 2, 10 on December 3, 5 on December 4-5, 8 on December 6, 12 on December 7-8, 8 on December 9, 5 on December 10-12, then 10 and 8 on December 13-14, 5 on December 15-21, then 8, 10 and 8 on December 22-24, and 5 on December 25-30.

Now that November is over, let's look at sunspot number averages. Our 3-month moving average is up following increased activity, and we now know the 3-month average centered on October (including all

data from September 1 through November 30.) The three month moving average of daily sunspot numbers centered on January through October is 73.6, 80.7, 85.2, 106.4, 106.4, 97.5, 85.6, 77.4, 91.2 and 102.9.

The monthly averages of daily sunspot numbers for June through November 2013 were 80.2, 86.2, 90.2, 55, 127.2 and 125.7.

For those interested in whether recent activity is part of a second double peak in this cycle, the earlier peak at the end of 2011 had monthly averages for September through December of 106.4, 123.6, 133.1 and 106.4.

On November 27, Dean Lewis, W9WGV of Palatine, Illinois sent this report about the fun he had on 10 meters during the CQ Worldwide CW DX Contest, with a very simple indoor antenna: "Last weekend's 10 meter propagation was amazing; I worked three JAs; two on 10 meters, one on 15 meters; this may not sound like any great shakes to most, but being 'CC&R-challenged,' I run 10 watts from an Icom 703 to a carefully pruned indoor end-fed 40 meter half-wave wire (full wave on 20 meters, three half-waves on 15 meters, two full waves on 10 meters with no feedline or RF ground, and a very simple small matching device). The signals were all well over S9 and no QSB; no fills, no repeats, no errors. Also worked a number of European stations, Niger, the Caribbean, and South America, plus KH6 and KL7. 10 was like the low end of 40 meters on a Winter night. Don't remember when last I had to use the 500-cycle CW filter on 10 meter, but I did on Saturday and Sunday."

Dan Bates, N5TM of Katy, Texas also enjoyed 10 meters during the CQ Worldwide CW weekend: "I've never seen 10 meters with stations all the way up to 28.160 as was the case on Sunday morning of the CQWW. Propagation opened to the Far East late in the contest and my last two Qs were to China and East Malaysia on 15 meters." Dan also has restricted antenna space and operates very low profile.

If you would like to make a comment or have a tip for our readers, email the author at, k7ra@....

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service web page at, http://arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals. For an explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin, see http://arrl.org/the-sun-the-earth-the-ionosphere. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at http://arrl.org/w1aw-bulletins-archive-propagation. More good information and tutorials on propagation are at http://k9la.us/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://arrl.org/propagation.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of ARRL bulletins are at http://arrl.org/bulletins.

Sunspot numbers for November 21 through 27 were 85, 51, 65, 69, 52, 47, and 76, with a mean of 63.6. 10.7 cm flux was 141.2, 142.8, 135.6, 127.1, 119.1, 115.5, and 129, with a mean of 130. Estimated planetary A indices were 3, 3, 8, 2, 2, 2, and 2, with a mean of 3.1. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 1, 2, 6, 2, 2, 2, and 2, with a mean of 2.4.
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21951. VU7AG 10m this morning

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-03 14:08:18 UTC
From: KQ8M
Topic: 21951 Message: 21951

So, I get up this morning. Get a shower, take my meds and head over to the computer. There is VU7 spotted on 10. YESSSS I need them
and it looks like he is working my area. I fire up the rig and the amp. Start calling and arrgghhh no output power. I take the amp
out of line. The rig is driving fine. Bring amp back I can tune it to 4w out with 100w in. I have proper plate voltage. Alas no
plate current. I start cussing and swearing as one should to get things working again and no joy. So I sit back and relegate myself
to hours of calling with 100w and probably not working them. Losing prop long before I have a chance. Hey he just worked this guy up
away from the major pile. Let me try there. After several Kili Quebec Mexicos he says KQ8M 59. Needless to say it took a couple
minutes to pick myself up off the floor and log him. Can't believe I had luck on my side for once.

73,

Tim Herrick, KQ8M

Charter Member North Coast Contesters

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AR-Cluster V6 kq8m.no-ip.org

User Ports: 23, 7373 with local skimmer, 7374 without local skimmer

Server Ports: V6 3607, V4 Active 3605, V4 Passive 3606

21952. Problem at DX Summit

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-03 15:24:07 UTC
From: John Becker
Topic: 21952 Message: 21952

Today when I load http://www.dxsummit.fi/Search.aspx
the "Year" search box is showing 2012 as the default and 2013 is not
available. I tried it on two computers and with two different browsers
and all behave the same.

73,

John, K9MM

21953. Re: [DX-IS] Problem at DX Summit

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-03 15:29:35 UTC
From: iain macdonnell - N6ML
Topic: 21952 Message: 21953

On Tue, Dec 3, 2013 at 7:24 AM, John Becker <johnb3030@...> wrote:
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> Today when I load http://www.dxsummit.fi/Search.aspx
> the "Year" search box is showing 2012 as the default and 2013 is not
> available. I tried it on two computers and with two different browsers
> and all behave the same.

You're not alone -
http://dxsummit.freeforums.org/search-function-broke-t241.html

I imagine it will be fixed soon....

73,

~iain / N6ML

21954. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-03 15:30:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21954

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:Issued: 2013 Dec 03 1301 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 31203
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 03 Dec 2013, 1312UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 03 Dec 2013 until 05 Dec 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 03 Dec 2013 10CM FLUX: 137 / AP: 013
PREDICTIONS FOR 04 Dec 2013 10CM FLUX: 137 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 05 Dec 2013 10CM FLUX: 137 / AP: 007
COMMENT: NOAA AR 1913 on the west limb was responsible for most of the
flaring activity yesterday. NOAA AR 1908, 1909 and 1912 are likely to cause
C-flares. The chance for C-flares is around 50%, the chance for M-flares
around 15%. X-flares are unlikely. The solar wind speed is around 400 km/s.
A magnetic structure in the slow solar wind carries a negative magnetic
z-component resulting in unsettled geomagnetic conditions. A coronal hole
located just above the solar equator approached the central meridian. This
coronal hole might influence the earth magnetosphere in a few days.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 076, BASED ON 17 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 02 Dec 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 134
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 004
AK WINGST : 000
ESTIMATED AP : 001
ESTIMATED ISN : 093, BASED ON 21 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21955. Re: [DX-IS] VU7AG 10m this morning

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-03 15:49:12 UTC
From: Dave Leisman
Topic: 21951 Message: 21955

That does it, I'm getting rid of the amplifier! I heard him as well but was plagued by all the cat calls on his frequency and the, I am sure well intentioned "up" callers. I thought he called once but due to the high volume of qrm was never sure.

Anyway congratulations!

On Tue 12/03/13 9:08 AM , "KQ8M" kq8m@... sent:
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> So, I get up this morning. Get a shower, take my meds and head over to the
> computer. There is VU7 spotted on 10. YESSSS I need them and it looks like
> he is working my area. I fire up the rig and the amp. Start calling and
> arrgghhh no output power. I take the amp out of line. The rig is driving
> fine. Bring amp back I can tune it to 4w out with 100w in. I have proper
> plate voltage. Alas no plate current. I start cussing and swearing as one
> should to get things working again and no joy. So I sit back and relegate
> myself to hours of calling with 100w and probably not working them. Losing
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> Links:
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> [1]
> http://groups.yahoo.com/group/DX-IS/post;_ylc=X3oDMTJybXBoMnAxBF9TAzk3MzU5N
> zE0BGdycElkAzIxNTIyOTM3BGdycHNwSWQDMTcwNTA2MzEwNwRtc2dJZAMyMTk1MQRzZWMDZnRy
> BHNsawNycGx5BHN0aW1lAzEzODYwNzk2OTk-?act=replycolor: #2D50FD;
> [2]
> http://groups.yahoo.com/group/DX-IS/post;_ylc=X3oDMTJmbWFrZDdtBF9TAzk3MzU5N
> zE0BGdycElkAzIxNTIyOTM3BGdycHNwSWQDMTcwNTA2MzEwNwRzZWMDZnRyBHNsawNudHBjBHN0
> aW1lAzEzODYwNzk2OTk-[3]
> http://groups.yahoo.com/group/DX-IS/message/21951;_ylc=X3oDMTM3bnJidnVkBF9T
> Azk3MzU5NzE0BGdycElkAzIxNTIyOTM3BGdycHNwSWQDMTcwNTA2MzEwNwRtc2dJZAMyMTk1MQR
> zZWMDZnRyBHNsawN2dHBjBHN0aW1lAzEzODYwNzk2OTkEdHBjSWQDMjE5NTE-[4]
> http://groups.yahoo.com/group/DX-IS;_ylc=X3oDMTJmZW10NGhqBF9TAzk3MzU5NzE0BG
> dycElkAzIxNTIyOTM3BGdycHNwSWQDMTcwNTA2MzEwNwRzZWMDdnRsBHNsawN2Z2hwBHN0aW1lA
> zEzODYwNzk2OTk-[5]
> http://groups.yahoo.com/;_ylc=X3oDMTJlbTFpbDlrBF9TAzk3NDc2NTkwBGdycElkAzIxN
> TIyOTM3BGdycHNwSWQDMTcwNTA2MzEwNwRzZWMDZnRyBHNsawNnZnAEc3RpbWUDMTM4NjA3OTY5
> OQ--[6] http://info.yahoo.com/legal/us/yahoo/utos/terms/
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21956. RE: VU7AG 10m this morning

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-03 22:49:04 UTC
From: <kb1jzu@...>
Topic: 21951 Message: 21956

Congrats Tim

Same here. Got up, noticed they were spotted in EU, and since the band shouldn't have opened to the East Coast for another hour I didn't hold much hope...

Turned on the rig anyway to see if I could hear anything and he was booming in here and just start calling for outside Europe! Third call, it was done. (but with the amp working)

Another 8 bander done.

Bob

21957. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-04 15:30:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21957

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:Issued: 2013 Dec 04 1257 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 31204
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 04 Dec 2013, 1212UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 04 Dec 2013 until 06 Dec 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 04 Dec 2013 10CM FLUX: 136 / AP: 008
PREDICTIONS FOR 05 Dec 2013 10CM FLUX: 140 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 06 Dec 2013 10CM FLUX: 140 / AP: 007
COMMENT: Two C-class flares occurred this morning. A C6.8 flare was
observed at 00:56 UT on the east limb near the location where AR 1895 and
1897 are expected to return. AR 1897 produced M-class flares during its
previous rotation. A C4.7 flare occurred in AR 1907 on the west limb,
peaking at 04:58 UT. This flare was associated with a CME observed in
SOHO/LASCO and STEREO-A/COR2 around 06:00 UT after a data gap. This CME is
not earth-directed. Geomagnetic conditions are currently at quiet
levels (KDourbes = 2). We expect possible unsettled conditions on December
7 due to the arrival of a fast wind stream originating from a coronal hole
that passed the central meridian today.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 086, BASED ON 08 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 03 Dec 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 136
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 016
AK WINGST : 012
ESTIMATED AP : 010
ESTIMATED ISN : 073, BASED ON 26 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21958. Rx antennas

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-04 19:56:57 UTC
From: Brian Alsop
Topic: 21958 Message: 21958

RX antennas are supposed to help, right?

Put up my a 540'beverage (have had several in the past, worked great) to be greeted by an S5 wail on 160M.

It shows up as broadband with multiple carriers every 200 Hz.

Unplugging the cable modem fixes. Not the solution I was after.
Tin foil over the modem does nothing. Unplugging all cables leading to modem does nothing. Not the typical switching power supply problem signature.

Beverage wise, everything else checks out. TDR of cable leading to beverage OK. You can even see the reflection off the end of the unterminated beverage.

Shorting the coax at the antenna end shows no noise.

Seems to be impossible to get our provider (TWC) to act on it. They want to spend 24 to 72 hours to monitor modem performance and packets. I predict it will show no problems....

They haven't a clue about the universe of RF or RFI.

Does somebody have a rational explanation of how this trash is internally generated at 1.8 MHz within the modem?

73 de Brian/K3KO

No virus found in this message.
Checked by AVG - www.avg.com
Version: 2012.0.2247 / Virus Database: 3658/6391 - Release Date: 12/04/13

21959. Re: [DX-IS] Rx antennas

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-04 22:04:26 UTC
From: Pete Smith N4ZR
Topic: 21958 Message: 21959

Brian, it doesn't matter where it is generated, or how - if it gets out into your house wiring, then it will be radiated. I believe the solutionis the sameas for a switching power supply - you need filtering, either on the DX line between modem and power supply, or (easiest) between the power supply and the wall. Corcom and Qualtek make lots of different models of AC line filters to handle both differential and common mode..

73, Pete N4ZR
Check out the Reverse Beacon Network at
http://reversebeacon.net,
blog at reversebeacon.blogspot.com.
For spots, please go to your favorite
ARC V6 or VE7CC DX cluster node.

On 12/4/2013 2:56 PM, Brian Alsop wrote:
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> No virus found in this message.
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> Version: 2012.0.2247 / Virus Database: 3658/6391 - Release Date: 12/04/13
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21960. Re: [DX-IS] Rx antennas

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-04 22:56:01 UTC
From: Brian Alsop
Topic: 21958 Message: 21960

Hi Pete,

The thing is that it developed this recently. Last Feb, I had a cable modem replaced due to RFI. Sniffed out with AM BC radio. AM radio next to the new unit was quiet. Now that same unit cable modem sounds like a buzz saw in the radio. So it may have HAD appropriate filtering. Evidently it does not now.

73 de Brian/K3KO

On 12/4/2013 22:04, Pete Smith N4ZR wrote:
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21961. Re: [DX-IS] Rx antennas

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-05 02:41:36 UTC
From: Pete Smith N4ZR
Topic: 21958 Message: 21961

Or something may have failed in it. Certainly sounds odd...

73, Pete N4ZR
Check out the Reverse Beacon Network at
http://reversebeacon.net,
blog at reversebeacon.blogspot.com.
For spots, please go to your favorite
ARC V6 or VE7CC DX cluster node.

On 12/4/2013 5:56 PM, Brian Alsop wrote:
>
> Hi Pete,
>
> The thing is that it developed this recently. Last Feb, I had a cable
> modem replaced due to RFI. Sniffed out with AM BC radio. AM radio next
> to the new unit was quiet. Now that same unit cable modem sounds like a
> buzz saw in the radio. So it may have HAD appropriate filtering.
> Evidently it does not now.
>
> 73 de Brian/K3KO
>
> On 12/4/2013 22:04, Pete Smith N4ZR wrote:
> >
> >
> > Brian, it doesn't matter where it is generated, or how - if it gets out
> > into your house wiring, then it will be radiated. I believe the
> > solutionis the sameas for a switching power supply - you need filtering,
> > either on the DX line between modem and power supply, or (easiest)
> > between the power supply and the wall. Corcom and Qualtek make lots of
> > different models of AC line filters to handle both differential and
> > common mode..
> >
> > 73, Pete N4ZR
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> > ARC V6 or VE7CC DX cluster node.
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> > On 12/4/2013 2:56 PM, Brian Alsop wrote:
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> >> RX antennas are supposed to help, right?
> >>
> >> Put up my a 540'beverage (have had several in the past, worked
> great) to

> >> be greeted by an S5 wail on 160M.
> >>
> >> It shows up as broadband with multiple carriers every 200 Hz.
> >>
> >> Unplugging the cable modem fixes. Not the solution I was after.
> >> Tin foil over the modem does nothing. Unplugging all cables leading to
> >> modem does nothing. Not the typical switching power supply problem
> >> signature.
> >>
> >> Beverage wise, everything else checks out. TDR of cable leading to
> >> beverage OK. You can even see the reflection off the end of the
> >> unterminated beverage.
> >>
> >> Shorting the coax at the antenna end shows no noise.
> >>
> >> Seems to be impossible to get our provider (TWC) to act on it. They
> >> want to spend 24 to 72 hours to monitor modem performance and packets.
> >> I predict it will show no problems....
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21962. RE: [DX-IS] Rx antennas

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-05 02:53:37 UTC
From: Dan Violette
Topic: 21958 Message: 21962

Check out RFI reflector. Real experts there (authors of books). Send note there. Dan KI6X

RFI mailing list

RFI@...

http://lists.contesting.com/mailman/listinfo/rfi

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Brian Alsop
Sent: Wednesday, December 04, 2013 11:57 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] Rx antennas

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21963. XR0ZR Received LOTW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-05 13:50:43 UTC
From: KQ8M
Topic: 21963 Message: 21963

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mean one, Mr. Grinch!

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Tim Herrick, KQ8M

Charter Member North Coast Contesters

kq8m@...

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21964. RE: XR0ZR Received LOTW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-05 13:59:23 UTC
From: <kb1jzu@...>
Topic: 21963 Message: 21964

Tim
Both received here via Lotw...may just be a timing issue.
Don't know what their early release criteria is.
Bob

21965. Re: [DX-IS] XR0ZR Received LOTW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-05 14:43:12 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 21963 Message: 21965

On 12/5/2013 9:50 AM, KQ8M wrote:
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Too much speculation and guessing on my part! Betcha your QSLs
will be there in a day or two.

73, Paul VE1DX

21966. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-05 15:30:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21966

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:Issued: 2013 Dec 05 1303 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 31205
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 05 Dec 2013, 1312UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 05 Dec 2013 until 07 Dec 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 05 Dec 2013 10CM FLUX: 142 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 06 Dec 2013 10CM FLUX: 145 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 07 Dec 2013 10CM FLUX: 145 / AP: 010
COMMENT: NOAA AR 1913 which is ready to rotate behind the west limb
released yesterday December 4 a C-flare. It is still active but its
influence will fade away as soon as its coronal loops disappear behind the
limb. NOAA AR 1916 released today, December 5 already a C-flare. A new
region at the east limb flared also in the C-level. We expect the
C-flaring activity to continue with a probability of 80%, we estimate the
chances for an M-flare to be 30%, the chances for an X-flare are small.
Earth is in a slow solar wind: around 350 km/s. The magnetic field strength
is around 5 nT. The geomagnetic conditions are quiet and are expected to
stay so. The coronal hole located just above the solar equator can become
geoeffective from December 7. Unsettled to active geomagnetic conditions
(K<=4) are possible.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 071, BASED ON 08 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 04 Dec 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 138
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 006
AK WINGST : 005
ESTIMATED AP : 004
ESTIMATED ISN : 086, BASED ON 12 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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21967. RE: [DX-IS] XR0ZR Received LOTW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-05 16:07:26 UTC
From: KQ8M
Topic: 21963 Message: 21967

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Paul M Dunphy
Sent: Thursday, December 05, 2013 9:43 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] XR0ZR Received LOTW

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73, Paul VE1DX

Yahoo Groups Links

21968. Re: [DX-IS] XR0ZR Received LOTW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-05 16:12:08 UTC
From: Roberto Rey
Topic: 21963 Message: 21968

Hi, I Got my LOTW also and I sent my OQRS on Nov. 30

73 de Rob HK3CW

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From: KQ8M
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thursday, December 05, 2013 11:07 AM
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Yahoo Groups Links

21969. Re: [DX-IS] XR0ZR Received LOTW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-05 16:13:42 UTC
From: iain macdonnell - N6ML
Topic: 21963 Message: 21969

I did OQRS for K9W on Nov-18 also, and have not yet received LotW confirmations.

I don't think I did OQRS for XR0ZR (and none there either, but none expected).

73,

~iain / N6ML

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21970. RE: [DX-IS] XR0ZR Received LOTW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-05 16:20:56 UTC
From: KQ8M
Topic: 21963 Message: 21970

Ahhhh.Well that rules out the date pattern unless it's reverse. Hi hi I hope it comes before the end of the year. I would like to do
one more app before then. I do have countries to submit but would be nice to add them to the total. Oh well, either way they will
come.

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21971. RE: [DX-IS] XR0ZR Received LOTW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-05 16:21:48 UTC
From: KQ8M
Topic: 21963 Message: 21971

Guess they may just be doing it some other way. They will come when they come.

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-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of iain macdonnell - N6ML
Sent: Thursday, December 05, 2013 11:14 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] XR0ZR Received LOTW

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21972. Re: [DX-IS] XR0ZR Received LOTW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-05 16:22:03 UTC
From: Paul M Dunphy
Topic: 21963 Message: 21972

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-05 16:31:01 UTC
From: KQ8M
Topic: 21963 Message: 21973

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Charter Member North Coast Contesters

kq8m@...

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Sent: Thursday, December 05, 2013 11:22 AM
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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-05 17:28:37 UTC
From: GARY HUBER
Topic: 21963 Message: 21974

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To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
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21975. RE: [DX-IS] XR0ZR Received LOTW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-05 19:42:33 UTC
From: KQ8M
Topic: 21963 Message: 21975

Thank you for what you said, Gary.

I understand and concur with everything you said. I hope you nor anyone else takes my saying the Grinch has my LOTW confirmations as an insult on the crew as it was meant as a play on Christmas and the Grinch. Hi hi

First I know these things take time. I am more than happy and grateful for the people that planned, operated and handle all of the logistics of this and every DXpedition. Without all of that effort these would not be available.

I appreciate your offer, Gary but I am sure something will come through sooner or later.

Merry Christmas to you and your family also.

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of GARY HUBER
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21976. RE: [DX-IS] XR0ZR Received LOTW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-05 21:08:34 UTC
From: Kathy Bookmiller
Topic: 21963 Message: 21976

I did the OQRS thing with a 5 donation 6 days ago and it showed up today.

On Thu, 12/5/13, KQ8M <kq8m@kq8m.com> wrote:

Subject: RE: [DX-IS] XR0ZR Received LOTW
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Date: Thursday, December 5, 2013, 4:20 PM

Ahhhh…Well that
rules out the date pattern unless it’s reverse. Hi hi I
hope it comes before the end of the year. I would like to do
one more app before then. I do have countries to submit but
would be nice to add them to the total. Oh well, either way
they will come.
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 From:
DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com]
On Behalf Of
Roberto Rey
Sent: Thursday,
December 05, 2013 11:12 AM
To:
DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS]
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21977. ARLD049 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-06 02:11:48 UTC
From: jjreisert@...
Topic: 7574 Message: 21977

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ARLD049 DX news

ZCZC AE49
QST de W1AW
DX Bulletin 49 ARLD049
>From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT December 5, 2013
To all radio amateurs

SB DX ARL ARLD049
ARLD049 DX news

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by KI1U, NC1L, the Weekly DX, the OPDX Bulletin, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, DXNL, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

MONACO, 3A. Special event station 3A60ARM is QRV during the month of December in celebration of the 60th anniversary of the Association des Radioamateurs de Monaco. QSL via bureau.

SENEGAL, 6W. Mark, AA1AC plans to be QRV as 6W/AA1AC from Somone from December 8 to 14. QSL to home call.

BARBADOS, 8P. Look for Mike, KI1U, Mike, N1TA and Bruce, K0BJ to be QRV as 8P9IU, 8P9TA and 8P9BJ, respectively, from December 9 to 16. Activity will be on 160 to 2 meters including 60 meters and straight keys, using CW, SSB and RTTY. They may also be active on Satellite SO-50. They will be QRV as 8P8T in the upcoming ARRL 10 Meter contest. QSL all calls via KI1U.

CHILE, CE. A group of operators are QRV as XR150CBS during the month of December to commemorate the 150th Anniversary of the Santiago Fire Department. Activity is on all HF bands using SSB and various digital modes. QSL via XQ7UP.

NIUE, E6. Operators Alan, VK4WR and Graeme, VK4FI will be QRV as E6RQ and E6SG, respectively, from December 7 to 17. Activity will be on 40 to 6 meters, with an eye towards good sporadic-E and TEP propagation into Asia. QSL both calls direct via VK4FI.

NEW CALEDONIA, FK. Freddy, F5IRO will be QRV as FK8RO from Ouvea Island, IOTA OC-033, from December 9 to 13. Activity will be on 40 to 10 meters using CW. QSL to home call.

NORTHERN IRELAND, GI. Special event station GI100RSGB is QRV until the end of 2013 during the final leg in the RSGB's centennial celebrations. Activity is on all bands and modes. QSL via M0VFC.

DJIBOUTI, J2. Christian, F5MBF is QRV as J28NC for another two years. He is active on 80 to 10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via F5RQQ.

BULGARIA, LZ. Members of the Radio Club Blagovestnik are QRV as LZ867MWB during December to honor St Mihail Voin. QSL via LZ1KCP.

CURACAO, PJ2. Jeff, K8ND plans to be QRV as PJ2T in the ARRL 160 Meter contest. QSL direct via W3HNK.

EASTERN KIRIBATI, T32. A group of operators are QRV as T32RC from Christmas Island, IOTA OC-024, until December 11. Activity is on 160 to 10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. This includes an entry in the ARRL 160 Meter contest. QSL via N7RO.

MICRONESIA, V6. Haru, JA1XGI is QRV as V63XG from Chuuk, IOTA OC-011, until December 12. Activity is on 160 to 10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. This includes an entry in the ARRL 160 Meter contest. QSL to home call.

VIET NAM, XV. Mats, is QRV as XV2LRR from Phan Tiet until December 14. Activity is holiday style on 40 to 10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via LoTW.

ROMANIA, YO. Special event station YP95GU is QRV until the end of 2013 to commemorate the 1918 unification of Transylvania, Banat, Crisana and Maramures into Romania. Activity is on 40, 20 and 15 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via bureau.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The ARRL 160-Meter CW Contest, NCCC RTTY Sprint, QRP CW Fox Hunt, NCCC Sprint, TARA RTTY Melee, Wake-Up. QRP CW Sprint, SKCC Weekend CW Sprintathon, VU International DX Contest, TOPS Activity CW Contest, EPC Ukraine DX BPSK63 Contest, AWA Bruce Kelley 1929 CW QSO Party, 10-Meter RTTY Contest and the CQC Great Colorado Snowshoe CW Run will certainly keep contesters busy this upcoming weekend. The QRP CW Fox Hunt, CWops Mini-CWT Test and NAQCC Straight Key/Bug CW Sprint are all scheduled for December 11. Please see December QST, page 66 and the ARRL and WA7BNM contest web sites for details.
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21978. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-06 15:30:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21978

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:Issued: 2013 Dec 06 1253 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
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SIDC URSIGRAM 31206
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 06 Dec 2013, 1212UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 06 Dec 2013 until 08 Dec 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Active conditions expected (A>=20 or K=4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 06 Dec 2013 10CM FLUX: 150 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 07 Dec 2013 10CM FLUX: 152 / AP: 018
PREDICTIONS FOR 08 Dec 2013 10CM FLUX: 153 / AP: 011
COMMENT: The GOES X-ray background radiation is at the C-level. Several
C-class flares were observed during the past 24h, mainly in NOAA AR 1909
and in the returning regions on the east limb. We expect more C-flares,
especially from these east limb regions, with a small chance for an M-class
flare. A large scale filament eruption was observed on December 04,
starting from 11:00 UT. This resulted in a slow CME, mainly oriented
towards the north. Another filament erupted in AR 1909 around 21 UT on
December 5th. While there is a gap in LASCO data, COR2-A images clearly
show the associated slow CME. The activity on the east limb also resulted
in several CMEs towards the SE (as seen from LASCO). We expect unsettled
to active conditions (up to K=4) on December 7 due to the arrival of a
coronal hole high speed wind stream. This coronal hole, which seems to have
increased in size in the last 24h, passed the central meridian on December
4. Afterwards, geomagnetic conditions should return to quiet conditions
until December 9th when Earth may feel the influence from the ICME
associated with the filament eruption in AR 1909. A glancing blow from the
east limb CMEs is also possible.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 065, BASED ON 14 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 05 Dec 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 148
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 150
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 008
AK WINGST : 004
ESTIMATED AP : 003
ESTIMATED ISN : 078, BASED ON 12 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
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Date: 2013-12-06 16:18:04 UTC
From: iain macdonnell - N6ML
Topic: 21963 Message: 21979

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From: KQ8M
Topic: 21963 Message: 21980

Hi Iain,

Just checked and mine have shown also. Now to submit to LOTW.

Slowly but surely I am cutting in to the amount of cards I need to send in for credit. I still have probably 300 cards to send in.
Just hard to do when they have already returned my updates to K8QM and not me.

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21981. Re: [DX-IS] XR0ZR Received LOTW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-06 17:15:26 UTC
From: iain macdonnell - N6ML
Topic: 21963 Message: 21981

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21982. RE: [DX-IS] XR0ZR Received LOTW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-06 17:24:39 UTC
From: KQ8M
Topic: 21963 Message: 21982

That's cool, Iain. I have no clue how many I have. So many were sent in many years ago that they don't even show in LOTW other than
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21983. 425 DX News - #1179

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-06 19:27:23 UTC
From: <k9or@...>
Topic: 21983 Message: 21983

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No 1179
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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** DX INFORMATION ****
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Edited by I1JQJ & IK1ADH
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1A - An activity from the Sovereign Military Order of Malta (SMOM) is being organized to take place on 2-7 January. Further information is expected in due course. [TNX DX Coffee]
8P - KI1U (8P9IU), N1TA (8P9TA) and K0BJ (8P9BJ) will be active from Barbados (NA-021) on 9-16 December. They will participate in the ARRL 10 Meter Contest as 8P8T (QSL via KI1U). [TNX NG3K]
A3 - Klaus, DK1AX and Heidi, DK1MA will be active holiday style as A35AX from Tongatapu (OC-049) and Vava'u (OC-064), Fiji from 24 February to 7 March. They will operate CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL preferably through the OQRS provided by Club Log. [TNX NG3K]
A9 - Celebrating "Manama, Capital of Arab Tourism", A92AA and A93LT are active as A91MCAT from the capital city of Bahrein until 31 December. QSL via IZ8CLM.
OZ - Ric, DL2VFR will be active from Romo Island (EU-125) during the New Year holidays. He will operate CW as OU1RAEM on 28-31 December (QSL via DF5LW, direct or bureau) and as OZ/DL2VFR on 1-3 January (QSL via home call, direct or bureau). [TNX rsgbiota.org http://rsgbiota.org]
PJ2 - Once again Jeff, K8ND will be active from the Signal Point contest station on Curacao (SA-099) on 6-8 December for the ARRL 160 Meter Contest and on 17-29 January 2014 for the CQ WW 160-Meter CW Contest. QSL PJ2/K8ND via home call and LoTW, QSL PJ2T via W3HNK and LoTW.
PJ7 - Nigel, G3TXF will be active as PJ7/G3TXF from Sint Maarten until 11 December. He operates CW only with a focus on 30, 17 and 12 metres. QSL via G3TXF (OQRS on Club Log) and LoTW.
PY - Jose, PU5IKE will be active as ZV5WZZ (not ZW5AAA) from Ilha dos Remedios (SA-027) on 7-8 December. He plans to operate SSB on 10 metres. QSL via home call (direct or bureau) and LoTW. [TNX PT7WA]
S7 - Igor, UA3DJY will be active as S79ACR from Mahe (AF-024), Seychelles for one month between mid-December and mid-January. QSL via home call. [TNX DX World]
SP - Slawek, SQ1KSM and Weronika, SQ1KSL will be active as HF1ZIMA and SN1ZIMA on 12-22 December. Other stations participating in the "Welcome Winter" (zima in Polish) award are 3Z3ZIMA, HF3ZIMA, SN0ZIMA, SN3ZIMA and SN5ZIMA. Further information on qrz.com http://qrz.com
UA_ssh - Celebrating the 20th anniversary of the Russian Robinson Club,

Alex RW3RN and Oleg UA3HK/ZS1OIN will be active as RI20ANT from
Bellingshausen Station on King George Island, South Shetlands
(AN-010) on 17-31 December. Main activity will be on 20 metres (on
or around 14160 kHz) SSB and CW. QSL via RW3RN. [TNX UA9OBA]
W - Once again Joe, K5KUA will be active as K5KUA/5 from Galveston
Island (NA-143) from 26 December to 1 January. He usually operates
CW only on 40-10 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau.
Logsearch on Club Log. [TNX rsgbiota.org http://rsgbiota.org]
W - Celebrating the ARRL's centennial year, the Maxim Memorial Station
in Newington (W1AW) will also use the callsign W100AW during 2014.
When used from regional Centennial conventions and during the IARU
HF Championship, W100AW will have portable designators as
appropriate. Contacts with W100AW will be worth 100 points in the
ARRL Centennial QSO Party (see below).
YB - Look for Budi YF1AR/8 and Imam YB4IR/8 to be active from Pulau
Kisar, part of the Terselatan Islands in the wider Maluku Barat
Daya Islands group (OC-272, new one for IOTA) on 21-25 December.
They will have two transceivers running 100 watts on 40-10 metres
SSB, CW and the digital modes. QSL YF1AR/8 via N2OO (logsearch
On Club Log and OQRS on http://df3cb.com/oqrs/n2oo/ http://df3cb.com/oqrs/n2oo/), QSL
YB4IR/4
via home call (OQRS on Club Log). Further information at
www.yf1ar.com/2013/12/kisar- island-oc-272-new-iota.html
http://www.yf1ar.com/2013/12/kisar-island-oc-272-new-iota.html [TNX YF1AR]
YN - Scott, K7ZO will be active once again as YN5Z from Nicaragua on
11-18 December. He will be QRV on 20-10 metres, and will
participate in the ARRL 10 Meter Contest. QSL via K7ZO and LoTW.
[TNX NG3K]
ZD7 - Daniel, ZS1BBT expects to arrive on St. Helena Island (AF-022) on
11 December, and to remain there for twelve days. He plans to be
QRV from the school station. [TNX The Daily DX]

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ARRL 10 METER CONTEST ---> Object of the contest is for amateurs around the
world to work as many stations as possible on the 10m band. This year's
event will be held on 14-15 December. Complete details can be found at
www.arrl.org/10-meter http://www.arrl.org/10-meter

ARRL CENTENNIAL QSO PARTY ---> In conjunction with the 100th anniversary of
the ARRL, the ARRL Centennial QSO Party is a year-long operating event
(from 00.00 UTC on 1 January through 23.59 UTC on 31 December 2014) in
which participants can accumulate points (all ARRL members and appointees,
elected officials, HQ staff and W1AW are worth points) and earn awards.
W1AW will be on the air from every state (at least twice) and most US
territories, and it will be easy to work WAS solely by contacting W1AW

portable operations. Complete information can be found at
www.arrl.org/centennial-qso- party http://www.arrl.org/centennial-qso-party.

QSL 5B4AHY ---> Norman, 5B4AIE has taken over the QSL duties for David
Bunn, 5B4AHY, who became SK on 20 November. [TNX 5B4AHJ]

QSL ZC4LI ---> Phil, G3SWH has "at last finished importing all the hundreds
of individual log files into a single file and uploaded it to both Club Log
and LoTW". He has been able to recover some 312,000 QSOs, but "it is
obvious that there are a number of log files missing". Check the on line
log before requesting QSLs (www.g3swh.org.uk/zc4li.html
http://www.g3swh.org.uk/zc4li.html). Also, please note
that "following a decision by the RSGB QSL bureau not to process outgoing
cards for non members, paper QSLs for this station are only available
direct. OQRS is much preferred. Replies to QSL requests received so far
will be mailed within the next few days". [TNX G3SWH]

QSL VIA ZL3CW ---> Jacky "is in the process of moving in to a new home on
December 19th", The Daily DX reports. His new mailing address is: Jacky
Calvo, PO Box 88, Waihi Beach 3642, New Zealand. Mail sent to his old
address will be redirected for one year. ZL3CW is the QSL manager for the
recent N8A, W8A and 5W8A DXpeditions.

VK9MT ---> Many activities are underway as planning continues for the VK9MT
DXpedition to Mellish Reef (28 March-9 April 2014) [425DXN #1173]. The
latest Press Release (30 November) reports that Mike WA6O has joined the
operating team, and Luciano PT7WA has been added as the pilot station for
South America. "We have written approval to land on Mellish Reef from the
Australian government", the team says. As for fundraising, "significant
recognition" has been received from a number of organizations, and "we also
began receiving assistance from individual DXers". With a total budget of
around 127,000 USD, the team looks forward "to hearing from interested
DXers, especially those that need Mellish Reef for an All Time New One".
Donations are welcomed through the website (www.vk9mt.com http://www.vk9mt.com, to be
updated on
or about 8 December). [TNX K5GS]

YOTA ---> The Youngsters On The Air (YOTA) group will be operate several
special callsigns through the end of December: EA7URA/YOTA, EI0YOTA,
ES5YOTA, ES9YOTA, LY5YOTA, OH2YOTA, OK2YOTA, OM9YOTA, OM13YOTA, ON4YOTA,
PA6YOTA, S513YOTA, SN0YOTA, SH9YOTA, YO0YOTA, YL13YOTA and YL2013YOTA.
Information on the relevant awards (free of charge) can be found at
www.ham-yota.com http://www.ham-yota.com. [TNX ON9CFG]

+ SILENT KEYS + Dr. Carlos Eduardo Levy Vazquez (XE1YK) passed away at 62
years of age. He served as president of the Federacion Mexicana de Radio
Expermentadores (Mexico's IARU member society) on 2004-2008, and operated
twice from Revillagigedo (1973 and 2007).
Other recently reported Silent Keys include William H. Harper (K9IW), Kevin
M. Bunin (K4PG/C6APG), Carlo Orfella (IK1QQQ) and Alberto Urano Silva
(LU1DZ), originator and founding member of the Grupo Argentino de CW.

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QSLs received direct or through managers: 3B8/G0TSM, 4S7TRG, 4S7VG, 4U1ITU, 5H1DX (AF-063), 6V1A (AF-045), 6V7Q, 6Y5WJ, 7P8GF, 7X2ARA, 8R1A, 9L1BTB, 9M2/OK1CZ, 9M2IDJ, 9M4DX, 9X0ZM, A71A, A92HK, BA7KW, CY9M, E51AAR, E51NOU, E6AK, E6AY, EK2GO, ER5LL, EU3AR, FO/KH0PR (OC-062, OC-094, OC-114, OC-131, OC-238), FO/UT6UD, FW5JJ, HB0/DL2SBY, HH5/KC0W, HQ3W, HQ8D, HQ8S, HZ1BW, J28NC, J8/W6HGF, J85K, JD1BOI, JG8NQJ/JD1, JT1CO, JW8HGA, JY9FC, K4YT/3B9, KG4HF, OD5ET, OD5NJ, PQ5M (SA-027), RI1ANU, SV5PFC, T46C (NA-204), T6T, TI5W, TM0SM, UK8ZC, V73AX, VP2V/W9DR, YB9GV/P (OC-150), YB9KA (OC-150), YC9IPY, YF1AR/6 (OC-245), YF1AR/9 (OC-275), YN2PX, YS1/AI5P, Z21DXI, Z81Z, ZA20QA, ZS8C.

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21984. 425 DX Calendar - #1179

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PERIOD CALL REF
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till 08/12 XV2RZ: Vietnam 1176
till 08/12 ZF2OK: Cayman Islands (NA-016) 1178
till 09/12 J6/NM4T,J6/W4QO,J6/W5EXJ,J6/ W6HFP: St Lucia (NA-108) 1177
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till 09/12 ZW5W: Santana de Fora Island (SA-088) 1175
till 10/12 AU2JCB: special callsign 1177
till 10/12 C6ARU, C6AUM, C6AKQ: Grand Bahama (NA-080) 1173
till 10/12 T32RC: Christmas Island (OC-024) 1177
till 10/12 VU7AG: Agatti (AS-011), Lakshadweep Islands 1177
till 11/12 PJ7/G3TXF: Sint Maarten (NA-105) 1179
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till 15/12 5R8IC: Sainte-Marie Island (AF-090) 1169
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till 15/12 JW9JKA: Bear Island (EU-027) 1153
till 15/12 R100MFF: special station 1171
till 16/11 5X1NH: Uganda 1168
till 19/11 VP8DNY: Falkland Islands (SA-002) 1171
till 21/12 FM/F5MCC: Martinique (NA-107) 1178
till 21/12 J79WTA: Dominica (NA-101) 1173
till 23/11 HK3JCL: Colombia 1168
till 26/11 H44MS: Honiara (OC-047), Solomon Islands 1167
till 31/12 3A60ARM: Monaco 1178
till 31/12 4A1TD: special callsign 1143
till 31/12 9A280-9A289: special prefixes (Croatia) 1156
till 31/12 A91MCAT: Bahrein (AS-002) 1179
till 31/12 DL50FRANCE: special station 1131
till 31/12 DS4DRE/4: Hajo Island (AS-060) 1150
till 31/12 EI13CLAN: special callsign 1130
till 31/12 EM110RAEM, EN110RAEM, EO110RAEM: special stations 1177
till 31/12 Gx100C: special callsign 1134
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21985. ARLP050 Propagation de K7RA

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Topic: 7715 Message: 21985

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ARLP050 Propagation de K7RA

ZCZC AP50
QST de W1AW
Propagation Forecast Bulletin 50 ARLP050
>From Tad Cook, K7RA
Seattle, WA December 6, 2013
To all radio amateurs

SB PROP ARL ARLP050
ARLP050 Propagation de K7RA

Due to the Thanksgiving holiday in the United States (Canada celebrates the same holiday on the second Monday in October, same as Columbus Day in the United States) we had a short bulletin on Wednesday last week, and a catch-up bulletin on Monday morning, December 2.

If you missed it, you can read it online at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw-bulletins-archive/ARLP049/2013 and see last week's early bulletin at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw-bulletins-archive/ARLP048/2013 .

Solar activity bounced back this week, with average daily sunspot numbers increasing from 63.6 to 102.9, and average daily solar flux from 130 to 132.9. There were no periods of disruptive geomagnetic activity, although November 30 and December 1 were slightly unsettled. There was another uptick in activity yesterday, December 5, when the solar flux readings at Penticton were 157 at 1800 UTC, 149.6 at 2000 UTC and 156 at 2200 UTC. The daily reading at 2000 UTC (local noon in British Columbia) is always the official solar flux value for the day. The sunspot number for December 5 was 103, up from 98 the day before.

Predicted solar flux for December 6-7 is 155, on December 8-9 it is 150, then 145 on December 10-11, 135 on December 13-14, 130 on December 15-16, 135 on December 17, 130 on December 18-19, 125 and 130 on December 20-21, 125 on December 22-23, 130 on December 24-26, and 125 on December 27-28.

There is an odd solar flux peak at 165 predicted for January 8, but this seems to be a remnant of a prediction from November 25 through December 1, when there were many days in mid-December, late December and early January with solar flux predicted at 160-165. On December 2 these predictions were radically revised downward, with the exception of January 8. From November 25 to December 1 the solar

flux prediction was 165 for January 4-10, but starting on December 2 that prediction was revised to solar flux at 130 on January 4-7 and 135 on January 9-10 and 130 on January 11-12, with January 8 standing alone at 165.

You can see these changes at http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/ftpmenu/forecasts/45DF.html, at least for a few weeks.

Predicted planetary A index is 8 on December 6, 12 on December 7-8, 5 on December 9-12, then 10 and 8 on December 13-14, 5 on December 15-25, then 12, 10, 8, 12 and 10 on December 26-30.

OK1HH sends his geomagnetic prediction from the Czech Republic. He sees quiet to unsettled conditions December 6-7, mostly quiet December 8-11, active to disturbed December 12, quiet December 13-14, mostly quiet December 15, quiet to unsettled December 16, quiet December 17-18, quiet to unsettled December 19, quiet December 20-24, mostly quiet December 25, quiet to unsettled December 26, quiet to active December 27, quiet December 28, mostly quiet December 29, and quiet on December 30-31.

NASA released a new Solar Cycle Prediction, but nothing has changed except the date: http://solarscience.msfc.nasa.gov/predict.shtml

Actually the information seems a bit dated, but of course they are dealing with smoothed sunspot numbers, which are immune to daily variations. The smoothed sunspot number is an average for an entire year, so we are always six months behind in knowing the latest real smoothed number. Go to http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/weekly/pdf/prf1992.pdf and note the numbers for January through April 2013 on page 18. This report is over a month old, but at that time the April 2013 value was the latest known smoothed number. Each month after that incorporates progressively less real sunspot data and more predicted numbers.

But also note that in this table they show the current cycle peaking in April and May of 2014. So we may not be at the peak for this cycle after all.

Larry Godek, W0OGH of Gilbert, Arizona sent this: "I was listening on Tuesday afternoon (December 3) for VU7AG, weakly on SSB and then with a polar sound later in the PM. Had called him a couple times on CW early on with no response but the frequency was crowded with people all over the place hearing him apparently. Working on the bench and listening at the same time, kinda. Well the signal seemed to be getting stronger and after donning the headset I could not hear as many stations calling him as before but he was working a lot of 7-land and 0 call area stations. I tuned around up and down about 2 KHz from his frequency but couldn't hear any of the stations he was calling.

"Then I heard a good loud 7-land station go back to him with the exchange. I quickly zero beat him and when the VU7 stood by I gave him a quick call. He came back to a W0, so I called him again and he came back with my call. That was at 2151:30 on December 3 on 14.030 MHz. That was really the only time during all of his operating that I really heard him well enough to make a contact. I had heard him on SSB but getting into that fray with only 100 watts and a low 4 element Yagi doesn't get me many contacts against the multi-KW and 100ft plus stacked beam stations.

"Then at 2301 I worked JA3HAW and at 2304Z I worked JH0KZQ on 29.6 MHz FM. I've worked Europe and South America on 29.6 FM, but it's been many a year since I even heard a JA on that frequency. I thought I heard some Russian stations as well but not knowing the language it was hard to tell where they were from. Then today, December 4 at almost the exact same time I worked the JA3 and JH0 stations, again on 29.6. They were calling CQ DX. I didn't hear them go back to any other station before the path was lost.

"BTW, I have heard nothing of the VU7 again since yesterday although I hear lots of other stations working him."

If you would like to make a comment or have a tip for our readers, email the author at, k7ra@....

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service web page at http://arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals. For an explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin, see http://arrl.org/the-sun-the-earth-the-ionosphere. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at http://arrl.org/w1aw-bulletins-archive-propagation. More good information and tutorials on propagation are at http://k9la.us/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://arrl.org/propagation.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of ARRL bulletins are at http://arrl.org/bulletins.

Sunspot numbers for November 28 through December 4 were 100, 95, 102, 104, 124, 97, and 98, with a mean of 102.9. 10.7 cm flux was 132.9, 128.5, 131.2, 130.5, 133.7, 135.7, and 138, with a mean of 132.9. Estimated planetary A indices were 2, 8, 9, 10, 2, 7, and 4, with a mean of 6. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 1, 6, 7, 7, 1, 6, and 3, with a mean of 4.4.
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21986. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-07 15:30:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21986

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:Issued: 2013 Dec 07 1233 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 31207
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 07 Dec 2013, 1212UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 07 Dec 2013 until 09 Dec 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Active conditions expected (A>=20 or K=4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 07 Dec 2013 10CM FLUX: 155 / AP: 011
PREDICTIONS FOR 08 Dec 2013 10CM FLUX: 155 / AP: 011
PREDICTIONS FOR 09 Dec 2013 10CM FLUX: 153 / AP: 007
COMMENT: NOAA AR 1909 produced an M1.2-flare peaking at 07:29UT. A plasma
eruption was seen in this neighbourhood on December 5 around 21UT. An
unstable filament in the neighbourhood of an active region is a recipe of
disaster. The curve for the background X-ray radiation is situated near
the top/bottom of the B/C level. The chances for more M-flares are around
30%. The fast stream linked with the coronal hole that approached the
central meridian on December 3 might arrive late today and introduce
unsettled/active conditions: K=3 up to 4. The filament eruption on
December 5, around 21UT might have a glancing blow. There is no data of
SOHO/LASCO at that time. The amount of available STEREO A data is also
limited. A first estimate gives a speed of around 500 km/s. The shock might
arrive late on December 9.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 062, BASED ON 09 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 06 Dec 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 132
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 151
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 010
AK WINGST : 004
ESTIMATED AP : 003
ESTIMATED ISN : 069, BASED ON 20 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
07 0717 0729 0749 S16W49 M1.2 1N 220 66/1909 III/2II/1
07 0717 0729 0749 S16W49 M1.2 1N 220 66/1909 III/2II/1
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21987. Why (and How) You Should Urge the FCC to Reject the ARRL's Symbol Rate Petition

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-07 20:33:14 UTC
From: Dave AA6YQ
Topic: 21987 Message: 21987

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wider modes. Many automatic stations lack the ability to forego transmitting on a busy frequency, and thus interfere with ongoing
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While US-based automatic stations using digital modes wider than 500 hertz are restricted to specified sub-bands (e.g. 10,140 ☐
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operators. Furthermore, the WinLink network now claims that its automatic stations are actually under the control of the remote
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I therefore urge you to oppose the ARRL☐s petition by filing comments with the FCC before December 17. Don AA5AU has provided
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<http://aa5au.com/fcc/how-to-comment.html>

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Dave, AA6YQ

Member, ARRL

21988. RE: [DX-IS] Why (and How) You Should Urge the FCC to Reject the ARRL's Symbol Rate Petition

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-07 23:39:58 UTC
From: Ron Notarius W3WN
Topic: 21987 Message: 21988

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What are the current rules? See FCC 97.3030(f)(2). A "non-phone emission" can't exceed the bandwidth of "a communications quality phone emission". In plain English: On HF, a digital signal can't exceed the bandwidth of an SSB transmission. which is roughly 3 kHz.

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So, about the data rate.

Again, refer to 97.303(f), sub paragraphs (3) and (4) - which refer to the maximum baud rates permitted, in the current allocated digital sub-bands. Where (f)(3) is invoked, the maximum rate is 300 baud. Where (f)(4) is invoked, the maximum rate is 1200 baud.

These limitations date back to the days when most digital communications (excluding CW, of course) was RTTY (Baudot) and ASCII. an emerging technology like PSK-31 wasn't even on the horizon yet. The non-Amateur world was still using 2400 & 9600 baud modems over telephone lines.

I think it's fair to say that things have changed. Except for the Amateur Service rules.

Am I the only person who thinks that permitting US Amateurs to use faster data rates on HF than 300 & 1200 baud is a bad thing?

OK, so Dave is worried about automated stations. I'm not saying that he's necessarily wrong. But IMHO, opposing this petition outright doesn't address the issues he raises.

For one thing, he's concerned about automated stations using modes "with bandwidths up to 2800 hertz". Well, if you read the rules. you'd know that that IS ALREADY PERMITTED. Opposing the petition WILL NOT change that.

FCC rules, as Dave mentions, are already under regulatory restriction. If the problems with the WinLink network are as severe as he claims, then they need to be addressed. clarify the rules to remove the loophole he alleges that they use, for one thing. But don't prevent the rest of us from upgrading to more efficient modes because you're afraid of what someone else MIGHT do.

In short, IMHO, the issue of abuse of the rules by certain operators of certain automated stations and their related networks is NOT directly related to this petition.

Am I entirely happy with the entire petition? No. And I will address this when I make my comments.

But I'm not going to advocate outright rejection of the petition because someone else is afraid of something else entirely.

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Sent: Saturday, December 07, 2013 3:33 PM
To: rtty@...; digitalradio@yahoogroups.com; DX-IS@yahoogroups.com; MMTTY@yahoogroups.com; multipsk@yahoogroups.com
Cc: Dave AA6YQ
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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-08 05:03:36 UTC
From: Dave AA6YQ
Topic: 21987 Message: 21989

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From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Ron Notarius W3WN
Sent: Saturday, December 07, 2013 6:40 PM
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Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Why (and How) You Should Urge the FCC to Reject the ARRL's Symbol Rate Petition

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-08 05:09:07 UTC
From: Ron Notarius W3WN
Topic: 21987 Message: 21990

So in short, you're arguing that your fear of automatic stations and what they might do is why you don't want the baud rate limit for all US amateurs dropped.

While I agree that you have some cause for concern, I disagree that this reason and this reason alone should be enough to retain a speed of 300 baud for most HF digital signals. There are other, better ways to accomplish that.

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Dave AA6YQ
Sent: Sunday, December 08, 2013 12:04 AM
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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-08 05:37:40 UTC
From: Dave AA6YQ
Topic: 21987 Message: 21991

+++ More AA6YQ comments below

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+++Given that automatic stations have been interfering ongoing QSOs for years, there is no “might”. Allowing such stations to use
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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-08 08:32:55 UTC
From: Dave AA6YQ
Topic: 21992 Message: 21992

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-08 14:14:35 UTC
From: KQ8M
Topic: 21992 Message: 21993

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21994. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-08 15:30:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 21994

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:Issued: 2013 Dec 08 1250 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
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SIDC URSIGRAM 31208
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 08 Dec 2013, 1212UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 08 Dec 2013 until 10 Dec 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Active conditions expected (A>=20 or K=4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 08 Dec 2013 10CM FLUX: 157 / AP: 024
PREDICTIONS FOR 09 Dec 2013 10CM FLUX: 157 / AP: 008
PREDICTIONS FOR 10 Dec 2013 10CM FLUX: 157 / AP: 014
COMMENT: The X-ray curve is situated near the top/bottom of the B/C-level.
C-flares are very likely, the probability for M-flares is around 20%. The
December 7 M1.2 flare (07:29UT peak time) from NOAA AR 1909 was associated
with a CME. CACTus determined it as a (partial) halo CME with a speed
around 900 km/s. The bulk of the plasma is ejected under the ecliptic
plane. The side of the CME may impact the Earth. This glancing blow can
possibly arrive late December 9, early December 10 and may result in
geomagnetic disturbances. Late December 7, a co-rotating interaction
region (CIR) arrived. The density increased gradually together with the
magnetic field. The z-component fluctuated strongly, even to -25nT which
resulted in a planetary K of 6 and 5 and local K Dourbes of 5 and 4 early
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wind speed increased gradually. The CIR and fast solar wind is possibly
linked with the coronal hole which reached the central meridian on December
3. A shock is visible on ACE data on December 8, 7:30UT: the solar wind
speed increased from 500 km/s to around 650 km/s, the temperature, density
and magnetic field dropped. This fast reverse shock is possibly linked with
the filament eruption of December 5. The geomagnetic impact will be limited
and smaller compared to the CIR because of the drop in magnetic field
strength. Bz rotated from negative (-5nT<Bz<0) to positive values now.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 065, BASED ON 10 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 07 Dec 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 157
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 026
AK WINGST : 008
ESTIMATED AP : 007
ESTIMATED ISN : 062, BASED ON 14 STATIONS.
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NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END

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Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-08 16:26:23 UTC
From: Ron Notarius W3WN
Topic: 21987 Message: 21995

Dave, I'm sorry, but I simply don't agree that raising or eliminating the "symbol rate limit" will ipso facto mean that interference from automatic stations will increase.

The solution for THAT problem is to address THAT problem. Not keep the "state of the art" for Amateur Radio digital communications under the thumb of regulations from the early 1980's.

Your opposition sounds like someone opposed to raising the speed limit on an Interstate highway from 55 MPH solely because you're afraid that a double-load tractor trailer will travel faster.

Pure and simple: Automatic stations are supposed to be limited to specific portions of the digital sub-bands. If they are straying from there, as was implied in the QRZ.COM forum thread that you also posted to, then close the loophole that's being used. That has nothing to do with the baud rate.

But I do want to thank you for one thing. You gave me great reasons to write an "op-ed" piece for my club newsletter, to accompany the information on the NPRM, as to why people are wrongly opposing the proposal.

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Sent: Sunday, December 08, 2013 12:38 AM
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+++ More AA6YQ comments below

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So in short, you're arguing that your fear of automatic stations and what they might do is why you don't want the baud rate limit for all US amateurs dropped.

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From: Ron Notarius W3WN
Topic: 21992 Message: 21996

Thanks Tim. I'm glad I'm not the only person who's seeing this.

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of KQ8M
Sent: Sunday, December 08, 2013 9:15 AM
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21997. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1140

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-08 18:23:23 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 21997 Message: 21997

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Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 1st-December, through Sunday, 8th-December there were 228 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3B9, 3D2, 3D2/r, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5B, 5R, 5T, 5U, 5V, 5W, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9M6, 9V, 9X, 9Y, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C5, C6, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E6, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FH, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FR, FS, FW, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J5, J6, J7, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ5, PJ7, PY, PZ, S2, S5, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T32, T5, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TN, TR, TT, TU, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V6, V7, V8, VE, VK, VP2E, VP2V, VP5, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VR, VU, VU7, XE, XT, XU, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YK, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZD7, ZD8, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS, ZS8

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

1A, SOVEREIGN MILITARY ORDER OF MALTA. The "DXCOFFEE" Web page is reporting that activity from 1A is planned between January 2-7th (2014). Look for more details to be forthcoming.

5V, TOGO. Philippe, F5MVB, is planning to be active as 5V7MP from Togo next year. Look for more details to be forthcoming in January.

5X, UGANDA. If you missed Alan, G3XAQ, as 5X1XA from the capital city of Kampala, he is expected to return again and be active between February 25th and March 16th (2014). Activity will be CW only. He will also be in the RSGB Commonwealth Contest (March 8-9th). QSL 5X1XA via G3SWH.

8P, BARBADOS (Reminder). Operators Mike/KI1U (8P9IU), Mike/N1TA (8P9TA) and Bruce/K0BJ (8P9BJ) will be active from Barbados between December 9-16th. Their main activity will be the ARRL 10 meter Contest (December 14-15th) and will sign as 8P8T. QSL via KI1U. Prior to the contest, operators will be using their own callsigns.

9H, MALTA. Leo, DJ7PR, is once again active as 9H3YQ from Malta (EU-023) until December 11th. Activity is holiday style and has been mostly 40 meters CW this past week. However, Leo informs OPDX, "My antenna is a small vertical for all bands built up on my balcony and I only work CW. With 100 watts and CW, it works perfect. Also for DX. My working hours are mostly in the evening which means 1700-2300 GMT and mostly 20m and 40m. I don't think it is a good time for USA. I also try 10m between 0900 and 1200 GMT if the band is open." QSL via his home callsign.

9Q, DEM. REPUBLIC OF CONGO. Earlier in the week there were a few reports stating that after 3 years of negotiations with the Congolese government and official approval from the Ministry of Telecom (ARPTC) the national club station 9Q0AR and its special callsign 9Q0HQ were finally given permission to operate again. This would be great and also the first legal activity from 9Q-land in several years. On QRZ.com (under 9Q0AR) it suggests to listen on 21310 kHz between 1000-1400z.

A3, TONGA. Operators Klaus-Dieter/DK1AX and his XYL Heidi/DK1MA will be active as A35AX on a holiday style DXpedition from Tongatapu Island (OC-049) and Vava'u Island (OC-064) between February 24th and March 7th (2014). Activity will be on CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via the OQRS on ClubLog.

CT8, AZORES. Siegfried, DF9WB, is now active as CT8/DF9WB from (EU-009) until December 18th. Activity has been on 20/15/10 meters SSB. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

HK0, SAN ANDRES. Tim, LW9EOC, will be active as HK0/LW9EOC from San Andres Island between April 18-25th (2014). Activity will be on 80-10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via LW9EOC.

INDEXA NEWS (PRESS RELEASE #2 - Additional Support For The Amsterdam Island DXpedition): "Hello fellow DXers and INDEXA Members: The officers of the International DX Association, INDEXA, have agreed to send an additional donation of 2,500.00 USDs to the Amsterdam Island, FT5ZM, DXpedition team. INDEXA's financial support for this DXpedition has now grown to 10,000.00 USDs. Our membership of worldwide DXers has been generous to us this year with donations. Thus, INDEXA felt further support to the FT5ZM team was appropriate.
It is now just over one month before this international team of DXpedi-

tioners leaves home for many weeks of DXpeditioning from a harsh environment. All of this to give out a new DXCC entity or band country to DXers worldwide. Certainly many will send in a contribution with their QSL card or required OQRS contributions, but the team could certainly use additional funding now.
INDEXA would like to thank our members for supporting us this year. We hope our DXpedition support has added to your DXCC account this year and other DXpeditions that are planned next year.
Support INDEXA via the web at <www.indexa.org> and your membership supports many annual DXpeditions to rare locations.
Regards, INDEXA Officers:
Gary Dixon, K4MQG, President
John Scott, K8YC, Vice President
Dick Williams, W3OA, Secretary-Treasurer
Bill Jennings, W4UNP"

IOTA NEWS.....
EU-125. (Reminder) Ric, DL2VFR, will be active as OU1RAEM from Romo Island (DIA NS-001), Wadden Sea National Park (WWFF OZFF-004) between December 28-31st. Activity will be on the HF bands, mainly CW and include an entry in the RAEM Contest (December 29th). QSL via DF5LW, direct or by the Bureau. Also, QSLs will be sent automatically by the Bureau. PLEASE NOTE: Ric will also continue to be active between January 1-3rd, but as OZ/DL2VFR. This activity will be a CW only operation. For more details, see: http://www.iota-expedition.com

OC-150. Burkhard, DL3KZA, is now active as YB9/DL3KZA from Lombok Island. Length of stay is not known. Activity has been on 20/15 meters SSB. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

OC-272. Operators Budi/YF1AR, Imam/YF4IR and Joppy/YB8XM will be active from Kisar Island in the Barat Daya Islands IOTA Group between December 21-25th. Look for the following callsigns:
YF1AR/8 - Radio Yaesu FT-450D with tuner FC-707 power 100W; antennas vertical Dipole 40m band and HB9CV 20/15/10m
YB4IR/8 - Radio Kenwood FT-950 power 100W; antennas G5RV 40m band and Yagi Mini Multi 20/17/15/12/10m
YB8XM/p - Radio Yaesu FT-845 power 100W; antennas Spiderbeam 20/17/15/12/10m
Activity will be on 40-10 meters using CW, SSB and Digital.
A special QSL card design for DXpedition will be issued. QSL YF1AR/8 via N2OO. QSL YB4IR/4 via his home callsign (see QRZ.com), by the OQRS, LoTW and QSL Bureau. QSL YB8XM/p via his home callsign (see QRZ.com). Donations are excepted via the PayPal account of <yf1ar@...>. Visit their Web site at: http://www.yf1ar.com/2013/12/kisar-island-oc-272-new-iota.html

SA-008. The Santana de Fora Island ZW5W operation was cancelled this past weekend due to bad weather. No word on when or if it will

be rescheduled.

CE, CHILE. Roberto (Bob), YV5IAL, will be active as CE2/YV5IAL from Chile between January 2-30th (2014). He plans to operate PSK31 daily on 14070.15 and occasionally on 10, 15 and 40 meters (PSK31 and SSB). QSL via his home callign, direct or by the Bureau.

E6, NIUE (Reminder). By the time you read this, operators Alan/VK4WR and Graeme/VK4FI will once again be active as E6RQ and E6SG, respectively, from the Coral Gardens Motel, Alofi, Niue (OC-040), until December 17th. Activity will be on the HF bands. Alan informs OPDX [edited], "Our operation is primarily for 6 meters as we are going in the middle of the southern hemisphere sporadic E season. Hopefully, there will also be TEP into Asia and who knows what else on the magic band. We will have some HF, am taking an OCF dipole for 40 through 10 meters and plan to have a play in the ARRL 10meter Contest. 100 Watts only." QSL both callsigns via VK4FI.

FO/A, AUSTRAL ISLANDS. A group of six operators from the UK will operate from the Island of Raivavae in the Australs (OC-114) between March 20th and April 1st (2014). Activity will be on all bands using CW, SSB and RTTY. The operators are Don/G3BJ, Chris/G3SVL, Nigel/G3TXF, David/G3WGN, Don/G3XTT, Hilary/G4JKS and Justin/G4TSH. They plan to run up to three stations, each consisting of a K3 plus amplifier. Antennas will consist of various vertical systems on the beach. The team will upload logs to Clublog, and bandwidth permitting, will also be uploading to LoTW as the DXpedition progresses. QSL will be handled by G3TXF and requests can be made directly or via the Clublog OQRS facility. After the DXpedition most members of the team will be attending the International DX Convention at Visalia. A Web site will be launched with further details once the callsign and other details are confirmed.

J3, GRENADA. Bob, G3PJT, will once again be active as J34G from Grenada (NA-024, WLOTA 0718) between March 3-10th (2014). Activity will probably be holiday style using a K2 w/100 watts and vertical antennas. He plans to also be in the RSGB's Commonwealth Contest (March 8-9th). Look for him outside of the contest, especially on 80 and 30 meters. QSL via his home callsign.

JW, SVALBARD (Update to OPDX.1139/Callsign). Alex, PY2SEX/DL1NX, informs OPDX that he just got permission from Norwegian Post Communication Authority to use his home callsign as LA/PY2SEX and JW/PY2SEX. So look for Alex to be active from Svalbard (EU-026) during Christmas (December 24-25th) for only those two days as JW/PY2SEX. QSL via DL1NX with SAE and a valid IRC or 2 green stamps.

LCL QSO PARTY. The Amateur Radio Lighthouse Society (ARLHS) invites you to participate in the ARLHS's annual "Lighthouse Christmas Lights 2013 QSO Party" which is held between 0001z, December 21st (7:00 PM EST, Dec. 20th) and 2359z, January 1st, 2014. Rules, operating guidelines, logging requirements, and prizes can be found at: http://arlhs.com/LCL-2013.html

NEW AMATEUR RADIO VIDEO. A new educational video about Amateur Radio is now available free to view and share. It is found here: http://youtu.be/ivUMIADFSDw
"It has been created for anyone who wishes to encourage youth and adults to explore the world of Ham Radio, and it also can be found on the home page of the project website at <www.RadioQRV.com>. Thank you for your consideration. 73, Mike (Did not provide his callsign)"

PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (December 9-15th)....
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SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS/INDEXES AND GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE
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NORMALITY GEOMAG K Values Alpha
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AN - Above Normal Quiet K=0-1 0-7
HN - High Normal Unsettled K=2 8-15
LN - Low Normal Active K=3 16-29
BN - Below Normal Minor Storm K=4 30-49
DIS - Disturbed Major Storm K=5 50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed Severe Storm K=6-9 100-400

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (December 8th)

3A60ARM via 3A2ARM K9FD/KH6 via K9FD SG30RM via SK6RM
4L8A via K1BV KP2/K3TEJ via K3TEJ (d) SN0YOTA via ON9CFG
6Y5/W8YCM via W8YCM (d) LO4D via LW1DTZ TF3AM via TF3MHN
BU2AW via JN3TVX LZ125VZ via LZ2KLR TM1TLT via F8KFP
DM50PCK via DL0PCK (B/e) N9NC via OM2SA V63XG via JA1XGI
E6RQ via VK4FI OL6P via OK2WTM W6/UA3TT via UA3TT
E720IARU via E70ARA PX2B via PY2LED XR150CBS via XQ7UP
ED4URQ via EA4URQ R1941MB via R2DX YB9/DL3KZA via DL3KZA
EN100ZKM via UT5ZY R1941OM via RW3FB YL95CW via YL3CW
GI100RSGB via M0VFC RB110RAEM via RW0UM ZD8UW via M0OXO
HG85MRASZ via HA-Bureau RR110RAEM via UA9LP
(e) eQSL only (d) direct only (B) Bureau only (L) LoTW only

HK1/CO8ZZ QSL ROUTE. Raúl, CO8ZZ, reports: "I'm just back home from Colombia...!!! I had the great privilege to be active as operator from HK1NA MM effort during CQWW on CW, thanks to a kind invitation from Jorge/HK1R. At the same time, I made several QSOs as HK1/CO8ZZ, the QSL via for those contacts are my manager DK1WI, who is already printing the cards."

T33A LOG/QSOS UPDATE. The T33A team has just compiled the final logs from the island and uploaded them to Clublog on November 29th. This upload does not reflect corrections that are presently being made via the inquiries sent to the QSL Manager. The QSL Manager is working to clear all the inquiries and then will upload that new file upon com-

pletion. He expects to clear all inquires by mid to late December and will upload that file. To those with missing calls or possible busted calls, they'd recommend patience prior to making an OQRS request and allow the QSL Manager to complete the inquiries that he receives. Please visit Clublog occasionally to see if the corrections have been implemented for those with inquiries. The E-mail for contacting the QSL Manager (W2IJ) is <Banaba2013@outlook.com>. To all with questions please forward your concerns to that E-mail address. He has now begun to respond to those inquiries. The QSLs won't be ready for at least 6-8 weeks.

ZC4LI UPDATE. Phil, G3SWH, reports: "I've at last finished importing all the hundreds of individual log files into a single file and uploaded it to both ClubLog and LoTW. I'm afraid that it is obvious that there are a number of log files missing, although I have managed to recover some 312,000 QSOs. The QSO data that is available is fully searchable at: http://www.g3swh.org.uk/zc4li.html
PLEASE check the online log before requesting QSLs, as I will be unable to confirm any QSOs that are not in the log. Also, please note that, following a decision by the RSGB QSL Bureau not to process outgoing cards for non members, paper QSLs for this station are *ONLY* available DIRECT. OQRS is much preferred. Replies to QSL requests received so far will be mailed within the next few days.
73 for now.... Phil Whitchurch, G3SWH and AD5YS"

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 4U1ITU, 9X0NH, A41OO, C6AUM, DL1BKI, E7DX, EA8/RW3DO, EB5CS, ES9C, F4BKV, G8NEO, J79XBI, JA1CQK, JA1HGY, JA7BWT, JA8BNP, JI1CPN, JR1EMO, K9W, KH6/N2A, KH8/N7AFW, M0CNP, MM0DHQ, OA4/N7CW, RT6A, UA1AJW, US4EX, XR0ZR, XT26DJ, XV2LRR, YB3MM/2, YT5CT, ZC4LI, ZF2EZ and ZM90DX

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 5H1DX, 8R1A, 9L1BTB, A92HK, CN8IG, D44TXT, FO/KH0PR, FW5JJ, KL7KY, OX5YL, T32AU, T77C, XV2V40J and YN2PX

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 5H1HS, 5H1HS/3, 5W0M, 7T50I, 7U1MA, 7U50I, 7X2ARA, CT9/DL3OHB, CT9/DL3KWF, CT9/DL6TF, CT9/DL7JAN, EA6/UR5EKQ/QRP, HS0ZGV, IS0BRD, PJ2/DH2AK, XU7DLH and YB9/DL5CO

RADIO ARCALA LANDSCAPE IS ONE SHORT (Press Release dated December 6th). Jarmo, OH2BN, reports: "While driving to the Arctic region north of the city of Oulu at 65degrees North, you will now find the wintry landscape more naked than before. Something is missing from the landscape, a reflection of the challenges facing the stormy and icy North. Sorrow has descended on the population of the village of Arkala.
It was the recent storm Oskari creating gusts of up to 68 knots (78MPH) that not only knocked down the massive 330ft (100m) 40+ ton 160/80M array but also left 200,000 homes in Finland without electricity. The mammoth structure collapsed peacefully, not hitting any of the other six towers, not hurting people or damaging buildings.
As professional engineering efforts had up to now ensured the survival of this 5-year old structure, inspectors are busy trying to evaluate the cause of the failure. It is suspected that automation designed to enable

the array to find its most comfortable position in high winds somehow locked up and caused the structure to corkscrew. Consequently the giant crumbled down on its on base just like the WTC building in those other sad years.
But life goes on at Radio Arcala at OH8X and you may soon hear Santa Claus from the North of Finland bringing you the joy of Christmas in the form of OF9X, beaming over the North Pole on 20 meters and capitalizing on the famous Polar Path during the Holiday Season.
Thank you for your interest in Radio Arcala and many of its unforgettable endeavors. In summary, we would like to share with you this short poem and these consoling words of wisdom from the late Professor Hugh Cassidy, WA6AUD: 'The grief we feel we cannot tell. A sad day it was as our tower fell.'" A picture is available in the HTML format version of the OPDX at: http://www.papays.com/BoyResting2.jpg
Also, visit the Radio Arcala Web page for possible updates and pictures of the tower before it fell at: http://www.radioarcala.com

RI20, SOUTH SHETLAND ISLANDS. To celebrate the 20th anniversary of the Russian Robinson Club (RRC), RRC club members/operators Alexander/RW3RN (RRC #256??) and Oleg/UA3HK/ZS1OIN (RRC #349) will be active as RI20ANT from the Russian Antarctic station "Bellingshausen" on the Island of King George (AN-010) between December 17-31st. Activity will be mainly on 20 meters using CW and SSB. Equipment is a Yaesu FT-1000MP transceiver and an all band antenna. QSL via RW3RN. At the Bellingshausen station, the beacon RI1ANG works around the clock on frequency 14101 kHz. If the beacon is heard, you can then callsign RI20ANT on frequency 14160 kHz ± QRM. For more information about the Russian Bellingshausen station, read the article written by its chief Oleg Neruchev (RI1ANU) "Antarctica, 58th RAE" in the journal "Radio" issue number 10 dated 11/2013 at: http://www.radio.ru
QSOs with RI20ANT count for the "Russian Robinson Club - 20 years" Jubilee Diploma and are worth 3 points (repeatable on different bands), and count for the rule of having one mandatory contact with the main jubilee callsign R20RRC. Those who did not make the contact with R20RRC have a chance to make it before the end of the year with RI20ANT. Rules for the RRC-20 diploma can be seen on <http://www.robinsons.ru/>.

T32, EAST KIRIBATI (Update). The T32RC is currently active from Christmas Island (OC-024) until December 11th. Activity is to celebrate the 12th anniversary of the Russian Robinson Club. Operations are on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via ClubLog's OQRS (preferred) or LoTW (6 months after operation). Also QSL via N7RO, direct or by the Bureau. No eQSL. For more details and updates, visit: http://www.t32-2013.com

W100, UNITED STATES (Special Event). A special ARRL bulletin (ARLX013) reports: "The FCC has authorized the Maxim Memorial Station W1AW to also use the call sign W100AW during 2014, the ARRL's centennial year. Contacts made from the Maxim Memorial Station in Newington, from regional Centennial conventions, and during the IARU HF Championship will use W100AW, with portable designators as appropriate. The "W1AW WAS" operations throughout 2014 from each of the 50 states will use W1AW, not W100AW.

Bulletins and code practice transmissions during 2014 also will still use W1AW. Contacts with W100AW will be worth 100 points in the ARRL Centennial QSO Party. To help kick off the ARRL Centennial, special W100AW activity will begin at 0500 UTC on January 1, 2014 (midnight in Newington), and will include participation in ARRL's Straight Key Night; one CW station will use Hiram Percy Maxim's straight key. Activity will continue throughout New Year's Day."

XW, LAOS. Champ, E21EIC, will once again be active as XW0YJY from Vientiane between December 12-17th. Activity will include the ARRL 10M Contest (December 14-15th) as a Single-Op/Mixed-Mode/Lower-Power entry. Operations before and after will be CW on 80-10 meters. QSL via E21EIC or OQRS (ClubLog) and LoTW. No eQSL. Visit it his FaceBook and Web page at:
https://www.facebook.com/SomChamp
http://www.e21eic.net/index.php

ZF, CAYMAN ISLANDS. Pete, K8PGJ, will be active as ZF2PG on the sunny Grand Cayman Islands (NA-016) during the week of January 11-19th (2014). Activity when not diving will occur on 10 thru 20 meters SSB during the morning and afternoons on weekdays, and he hopes one night on 40 thru 160 meters. Pete plans to activate the Caymans for the NAQP Contest on 10 thru 160 meters. LoTW will be utilized and QSL to his home callsign.

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21998. RE: [DX-IS] RE: [digitalradio] Why (and How) You Should Urge the FCC to Reject the ARRL's Symbol Rate Petition

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-08 18:33:10 UTC
From: Dave AA6YQ
Topic: 21992 Message: 21998

>>>AA6YQ comments below

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of KQ8M
Sent: Sunday, December 08, 2013 9:15 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] RE: [digitalradio] Why (and How) You Should Urge the FCC to Reject the ARRL's Symbol Rate Petition

So the symbol rate is not what you are opposing but that the unattended stations are not being held responsible for interference to
those already on a frequency. Then maybe you should file a petition with the FCC to start enforcing this rule for ALL stations not
just attended stations. That or petition the ARRL to have the interference aspect added to their petition or another ARRL petition
filed.

>>>I've spent considerable energy over the past two weeks seeking to convince ARRL CEO Dave K1ZZ to modify the current ARRL petition
in a way that would reduce rather than increase interference from automatic stations. This effort was unsuccessful.

>>> Our response to a petition that would increase the incidence of interference should not be "separately submit a petition that
would mitigate the interference"; our response should be to urge the FCC to reject the ARRL's current petition, and then to urge the
ARRL to submit a new petition that raises the symbol limit in a way that reduces the incidence of interference, rather than
increases it.

73,

Dave, AA6YQ

21999. RE: [DX-IS] Why (and How) You Should Urge the FCC to Reject the ARRL's Symbol Rate Petition

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-08 18:51:06 UTC
From: Dave AA6YQ
Topic: 21987 Message: 21999

>>>AA6YQ comments below

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Ron Notarius W3WN
Sent: Sunday, December 08, 2013 11:26 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Why (and How) You Should Urge the FCC to Reject the ARRL's Symbol Rate Petition

Dave, I'm sorry, but I simply don't agree that raising or eliminating the "symbol rate limit" will ipso facto mean that interference
from automatic stations will increase.

>>>I've already explained how the ARRL's petition would, if adopted, motivate the development of faster and wider modes, and would
allow automatic stations to employ these faster and wider modes without addressing the increased interference that adoption the use
of these wider modes would cause. You offer no explanation for why you don't think this would happen.

The solution for THAT problem is to address THAT problem. Not keep the "state of the art" for Amateur Radio digital communications
under the thumb of regulations from the early 1980's..

>>>We should not correct one problem by changing the regulations in a way that makes another problem worse. We should change the
regulations in a way that competently resolves both issues.

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petition that removes the symbol rate limit in a way that reduces, rather than increases interference.

73,

Dave, AA6YQ

22000. RE: [DX-IS] Why (and How) You Should Urge the FCC to Reject the ARRL's Symbol Rate Petition

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-08 19:12:15 UTC
From: Ron Notarius W3WN
Topic: 21987 Message: 22000

Dave,

I'm not going to bore the rest of the reflector repeating the obvious.

Clearly you and I do not agree on this matter.

You appear afraid that the new rules will, as a possibly unintended consequence, definitely open up potential increased interference from hypothetical new automated stations running hypothetical data modes.

I don't see that as a "definite". And I believe that the answer lies in updating the rules regarding automated stations, not arbitrarily limiting all digital users to archaic rules.

I just hope that when you file your comments, you do indicate that your issue isn't with the proposed changes themselves, but with the potential consequences, and ask that the consequences be dealt with -- with suggestions.

Oh, and (as per your other reply to Tim), I'm not surprised that you had a problem getting a response from K1ZZ. That is another issue for another time, suffice to say, if you want to argue that it's high time for new leadership in Newington... I'm already in the bandwagon banging the drum (badly).

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Dave, AA6YQ

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22001. RE: [DX-IS] Why (and How) You Should Urge the FCC to Reject the ARRL's Symbol Rate Petition

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-08 19:31:45 UTC
From: Dave AA6YQ
Topic: 21987 Message: 22001

>>>AA6YQ comments below

-----Original Message-----
From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Ron Notarius W3WN
Sent: Sunday, December 08, 2013 2:12 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] Why (and How) You Should Urge the FCC to Reject the ARRL's Symbol Rate Petition

I'm not going to bore the rest of the reflector repeating the obvious.

>>>There is nothing obvious about your claim that the existing interference from automatic stations - which is significant -- won't
get worse if these stations switch to wider modes.

I just hope that when you file your comments, you do indicate that your issue isn't with the proposed changes themselves, but with
the potential consequences, and ask that the consequences be dealt with -- with suggestions.

>>>My comments will point out that the ARRL's petition solves one problem in a manner that makes another problem worse. Those are
strong grounds for rejection.

Oh, and (as per your other reply to Tim), I'm not surprised that you had a problem getting a response from K1ZZ.

>>>I had no problem "getting a response" from Dave K1ZZ; he was both responsive and cordial throughout an extended exchange. I was
unable to persuade Dave to retract the ARRL's current proposal in favor of one that if adopted would not increase interference.

That is another issue for another time, suffice to say, if you want to argue that it's high time for new leadership in Newington...
I'm already in the bandwagon banging the drum (badly).

>>>I am not interested in ARRL politics. I am interested in addressing long-standing problems -- like LotW's usability and
reliability, and like interference from automatic stations.

73,

Dave, AA6YQ

22002. Request to the moderator

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-08 20:04:40 UTC
From: Richard F DiDonna NN3W
Topic: 21987 Message: 22002

Can the Moderator please shut down this absurd FCC proposal discussion.
This is a forum about LoTW, and not FCC administrative rulemaking.

Go to QRZ or one of the other toilets for that.

Rich NN3W

22003. RE: [digitalradio] Why (and How) You Should Urge the FCC to Reject the ARRL's Symbol Rate Petition

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-08 22:56:33 UTC
From: Dave AA6YQ
Topic: 22003 Message: 22003

>>>AA6YQ comments below

From: digitalradio@yahoogroups.com [mailto:digitalradio@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Rick Muething
Sent: Sunday, December 08, 2013 9:31 AM
To: digitalradio@yahoogroups.com; rtty@...; DX-IS@yahoogroups.com; MMTTY@yahoogroups.com; multipsk@yahoogroups.com
Subject: RE: [digitalradio] Why (and How) You Should Urge the FCC to Reject the ARRL's Symbol Rate Petition

Dave,

Each is entitled to his opinion and you can file yours with a proper response to the FCC proposed rule change RM-11708. A comment
response to a proposed rule change doesn’t have to be particularly accurate or logical …those reviewing the comments however
actually for the most part really do understand the technology and the proposed rule changes.

However when you use a forum like this one to encourage others to comment it should be your personal responsibility to try and get
the facts correct and present them in a honest and straightforward way.

Your comment: “If accepted, digital modes as wide as 2800 hertz would become legal for use by US hams on HF bands. Pactor 3, which
is legal under the current symbol rate limit, is 2200 hertz wide.”

Is misleading. There is currently NO specified bandwidth limit to digital modes. The symbol rate rule does NOT (as was probably
intended in 1980) restrict bandwidth. There are many digital modes at 2 KHz or above. The proposal RM-11708 simply specifies a
practical and easily measured restriction of bandwidth. The proposed limit is no more than SSB voice and considerably less than AM.
It is also a practical limit compatible with most SSB transceivers. If you don’t like 2800Hz bandwidth limit propose another and
suggest it also be applied to SSB voice, AM, MT63, ALE etc. There are numerous modern and efficient HF Modem protocols that could
be adapted for Ham radio use (Mil Std 188, STANAG etc.)if the symbol rate rule were not in effect.

>>>I disagree. The current 300 baud HF symbol rate limit restricts transfer rate, and thus makes modes greater than 2200 hertz of
little value to message passing networks. The ARRL's proposal both removes the 300 baud HF symbol rate limit, and sets a maximum HF
bandwidth of 2800 hertz. If the ARRL petition were accepted, operators could deploy 2800

hertz digital modes with higher transfer
rates that what Pactor 3 provides (in 2200 hertz). Switching to such modes would be attractive to message passing networks.

Your comment: “While US-based automatic stations using digital modes wider than 500 hertz are restricted to specified sub-bands
(e.g. 10,140 – 10,150, 14,095 – 14,099, 14,101-14,112, 21,090 – 21,100, 24,925 – 24930), these frequencies are shared with QSOs
between live operators.”

Is technically correct. But in fact ALL ham radio frequencies are shared by everyone (no one user or mode has exclusive rights).
  The fact that automatic and wideband digital modes are limited to relatively small band segments (15 Khz or less below 28 MHz) in
the US insures those operating OUTSIDE those narrow segments should be free from any such interference. The proposed rule change
does NOT change these auto forwarding sub bands.

>>>That's incorrect, Rick. At present, the "speed limit" within these HF sub-bands is set by the 300 baud symbol rate limit. The
ARRL's petition, if accepted, would eliminate this limit, replacing it with a 2800 hertz limit on bandwidth. One or more 2800 hertz
modes with transfer rates significantly faster than that of Pactor 3 would soon be in use by message passing networks.

Your comment: “Furthermore, the WinLink network now claims that its automatic stations are actually under the control of the remote
stations that invoke them, and are therefore no longer restricted to these sub-bands.”

Is misleading.

>>>The statement above is accurate: WinLink's "Rules and Guidelines" web page states

"On HF Pactor, the radio users of the Winlink 2000 system initiating a contact are present as control operators, and therefore,
WinLink 2000 operations do not fall within the category of "automatic control" per U.S. FCC Part 97.221."

<http://www.winlink.org/guidelines>

All HF Winlink HF stations (all supported protocols) are and always have been passive stations responding only to a call to their
specific call sign. They never use beaconing or sounding. This has also been the practice of most HF BBS stations since the
1980’s.   The current law clearly defines what is restricted to the sub bands and no changes to this are proposed in RM-11708.

>>>97.3(13) defines "Control Operator" as "An amateur operator designated by the licensee of a station to be responsible for the
transmissions from that station to assure compliance with the FCC Rules."

>>>The "Rules and Guidelines" web page's claim that the "radio users of the Winlink 2000 system initiating a contact are present as
control operators" is nonsense. Such operators have no ability to " manipulate the

operating adjustments in the station through a
control link to achieve compliance with the FCC Rules", as is required by 97.3(38).

>>>In the absence of a remote control link conformant with 97.3(38), Winlink servers are automatic stations, as defined by 97.3(6);
if using a mode wider than 500 hertz, WinLink servers are subject to 97.221.

Winlink developed an effective busy detector (all modes) and Winlink HF stations routinely use this technology to prevent
responding to a call when a frequency appears busy (When the calling station fails to listen first or there is a “hidden”
transmitter).

>>>Excellent! If that's the case, then you should join me in urging the FCC to reject the ARRL's petition in favor of an improved
petition that requires automatic stations to incorporate busy frequency detectors. This would reduce the incidence of interference
with ongoing QSOs -- the opposite of what the current ARRL petition would do if adopted.

Your comment: “This network (Winlink) now advertises US-based automatic stations running Pactor 3 outside the automatic sub-bands –
automatic stations that could be upgraded to 2800 hertz modes if the ARRL Petition is accepted.”

Is simply incorrect. Winlink publishes the frequencies and protocols used publically for all stations (US and others) on its web
page http://www.winlink.org/RMSChannels . The Winlink software specifically monitors and limits operation to correct auto
forwarding bands for US call signs. Any violator (US or otherwise) of amateur rules is notified and if not immediately corrected is
blocked from operating (as a USER OR SYSOP) from the Winlink system.

>>>As of last week, the "RMS Channels" web page you cite listed the following Pactor III stations with center frequencies outside
the 97.221 sub-bands: WG3G on 3569.0, N4MEH on 3580.0, W5SEG on 7067.5, K0SI on 7105.9, KC4TVO on 10139.5, and K9BBS-10 on 14112.5.

Rather than continually bashing the all-volunteer Winlink system or the ARRL for trying to simplify the rules and advance the state
of the art why not look at the proposed rule change as written and look at what it is trying to do:

1)	Define a practical and easily measured mechanism (bandwidth) to regulate digital modes. The symbol rate rule doesn’t limit
bandwidth as is proven by the large number of OFDM modes available and in common use. The proposed bandwidth limit is compatible
with virtually all Ham SSB transceivers and consistent with the vast majority of world-wide amateur rules.

2)	Allow and encourage digital mode development and experimentation. This has been proven (e.g. the CODEC2 project which can
provide noise free digital voice in HALF the bandwidth of SSB voice and Pactor 4 which has the highest digital mode efficiency

bits/sec/Hz). The existing symbol rate rule is a significant factor why the US has no viable modern Ham HF modem manufactures and
lags the rest of the world in amateur digital protocol development.

>>>Neither reciting facts nor projecting the consequences of proposed actions constitutes "bashing".

>>>I support the elimination of the 300 baud limit on HF, and I support the permission of HF digital modes wider than 2200 hertz --
but in a manner that does not increase interference to current users. Allowing automatic stations to employ 2800 hertz modes without
requiring them to incorporate busy frequency detectors will increase the interference to ongoing QSOs - the opposite of what is
required.

>>>If Winlink is now incorporating busy frequency detectors in its servers as you claim above, then you should support rejection of
the current ARRL petition in favor of a petition that also requires automatic stations to incorporate busy frequency detectors. This
would reduce rather than increase interference to ongoing QSOs by incentivizing automatic stations to incorporate busy frequency
detectors; it would eliminate much of the opposition to the current ARRL proposal.

73,

Dave, AA6YQ

22004. Re: [DX-IS] RE: [digitalradio] Why (and How) You Should Urge the FCC to Reject the ARRL's Symbol Rate Petition

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-08 23:44:10 UTC
From: Donald Greenbaum
Topic: 22003 Message: 22004

Dave and Ron.

If you too want to continue this debate please do it without the multigroup postings. First it is against the rules to post to multiple groups at once it creates a mess of bounces. Second, it posts items here not of general DX interest (not by itself a new thing here). But third, it contains posts from other boards that includes people not on our list.

Clean up your to address lists by NOT HITTING REPLY ALL.

Thanks,
Don
N1DG
List Co Owner

At 05:56 PM 12/8/2013, Dave AA6YQ wrote:
> >>>AA6YQ comments below
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>From: digitalradio@yahoogroups.com [mailto:digitalradio@yahoogroups.com]
>On Behalf Of Rick Muething
>Sent: Sunday, December 08, 2013 9:31 AM
>To: digitalradio@yahoogroups.com; rtty@...;
>DX-IS@yahoogroups.com; MMTTY@yahoogroups.com; multipsk@yahoogroups.com
>Subject: RE: [digitalradio] Why (and How) You Should Urge the FCC to
>Reject the ARRL's Symbol Rate Petition

22005. RE: [DX-IS] RE: [digitalradio] Why (and How) You Should Urge the FCC to Reject the ARRL's Symbol Rate Petition

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-08 23:53:42 UTC
From: Ron Notarius W3WN
Topic: 22003 Message: 22005

My apologies to all for this.

I will have nothing more to say on this matter on this reflector.

73

This email is free from viruses and malware because avast! Antivirus protection is active.
http://www.avast.com

22006. Re: [DX-IS] Request to the moderator

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-09 00:36:59 UTC
From: Radio K0HB
Topic: 21987 Message: 22006

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<richnn3w@verizon.net> wrote:

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22007. Re: [DX-IS] Request to the moderator

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-09 03:12:37 UTC
From: Dave Leisman
Topic: 21987 Message: 22007

amen brother, amen

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22008. Re: [DX-IS] Request to the moderator

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-09 05:59:40 UTC
From: Zack Widup
Topic: 21987 Message: 22008

While the discussion may not belong here, this is not a forum about
LoTW. It's a forum about DX.

73, Zack W9SZ

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22009. Re: [DX-IS] Request to the moderator

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-09 15:02:08 UTC
From: Richard Solomon
Topic: 21987 Message: 22009

Probably just a mix-up as the same thing was raging on over
at the LoTW forum.

73, Dick, W1KSZ

On Sun, Dec 8, 2013 at 10:59 PM, Zack Widup <w9sz.zack@...> wrote:

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22010. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-09 15:30:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 22010

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:Issued: 2013 Dec 09 1253 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 31209
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 09 Dec 2013, 1212UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 09 Dec 2013 until 11 Dec 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Active conditions expected (A>=20 or K=4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 09 Dec 2013 10CM FLUX: 170 / AP: 009
PREDICTIONS FOR 10 Dec 2013 10CM FLUX: 173 / AP: 018
PREDICTIONS FOR 11 Dec 2013 10CM FLUX: 173 / AP: 007
COMMENT: Flaring activity is at the same level as the previous days: the
base X-ray radiation curve is situated near the bottom of the C-level. The
active region which is contributed the highest probability to flare is NOAA
AR 1917. The region in the northern hemisphere which rotates over the east
limb (but has no NOAA NR yet) is also in the running to produce C-flares.
The shock arrival of yesterday December 8 didn't cause any geomagnetic
disturbance. The co-rotating interaction region (arrival on December 7) and
the associated fast solar wind dominated the solar wind data. The result
was a geomagnetic storm of Kp=6 early December 8. The mass ejection
that was associated with the M1.2 flare peaking at 7:29UT on December 7
might cause a glancing blow late today (December 9) or tomorrow (December
10).
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 096, BASED ON 12 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 08 Dec 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 166
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 016
AK WINGST : 027
ESTIMATED AP : 025
ESTIMATED ISN : 065, BASED ON 17 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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22011. RE: [DX-IS] XR0ZR Received LOTW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-10 06:05:07 UTC
From: Lance Martin
Topic: 21963 Message: 22011

Nothing here from XR0ZR yet and I may have to wait on K9W a while as I didn't sponsor them.

I am delighted to receive ZS8C Marion LOTW CW this week so I guess it makes up for it to some degree!

Patience is all we need....

73, Lance - VK6DU

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Sent: Friday, December 06, 2013 12:15 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] XR0ZR Received LOTW

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On Fri, Dec 6, 2013 at 9:11 AM, KQ8M <kq8m@...> wrote:
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22012. Re: XR0ZR Received LOTW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-10 12:17:21 UTC
From: Scott Monks
Topic: 21963 Message: 22012

I just received LoTW for XR0ZR today (requested 6 dec OQRS) but have not heard from K9W (requested 16 nov OQRS). I didn't sponsor them either but sent an extra $5 donation with the request--I haven't received the cards either but wouldn't expect them for at least another month by slow mail!

73, Scott XE1/AA0AA; AA0AA

Mon Dec 9, 2013 10:05 pm (PST) . Posted by:
"Lance Martin" vk6du
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22013. RE: [DX-IS] XR0ZR Received LOTW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-10 13:23:45 UTC
From: KQ8M
Topic: 21963 Message: 22013

Congrats Lance on the ZS8. I Have 3 QSO's with ZS8 and those are from 1990. Have never been able to hear them since.

73,

Tim Herrick, KQ8M

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22014. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-10 15:30:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 22014

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:Issued: 2013 Dec 10 1255 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
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PREDICTIONS FOR 12 Dec 2013 10CM FLUX: 173 / AP: 007
COMMENT: The situation concerning flares didn't change much: the Sun is
still in a C-flaring mood, the probability for M-flares is around 40%. A
series of three small sunspots popped up: Catania 73, 74 and 77. They are
small but indicate that solar activity is still on the run. The solar wind
speed has decreased to 400 km/s. The glancing blow linked with the plasma
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TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 127, BASED ON 18 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 09 Dec 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 168
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 010
AK WINGST : 005
ESTIMATED AP : 004
ESTIMATED ISN : 098, BASED ON 18 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
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22015. Re: [DX-IS] XR0ZR Received LOTW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-10 16:52:05 UTC
From: <ve7tk@...>
Topic: 21963 Message: 22015

I have received LoTW confirmations for XR0ZR and 5J0R. However, still no sign of K9W. I used their OQRS method on Nov. 23, 2013. Are others still waiting?

I'm also waiting to hear from W8A about a missing 30 metre QSO before I submit their OQRS application. I have written Jacky, QSL Mgr, and he hasn't had an opportunity to get back yet.

73, Rick
VE7TK

22016. Re: [DX-IS] XR0ZR Received LOTW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-10 17:02:24 UTC
From: donhall161
Topic: 21963 Message: 22016

My K9W showed up in LoTW a couple of days ago. I contributed through OQRS after the operation.

73 Don K5AQ

22017. Re: [DX-IS] XR0ZR Received LOTW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-10 17:14:47 UTC
From: <ve7tk@...>
Topic: 21963 Message: 22017

Thanks Don.

I just looked and they must be doing periodic uploads. Their last one was at: 2013-12-10 14:59:59Z

I gave them the requested $5.00 contribution. So I guess I wait patiently - hi!

73, Rick
VE7TK

22018. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-11 15:30:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 22018

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:Issued: 2013 Dec 11 1302 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 31211
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 11 Dec 2013, 1312UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 11 Dec 2013 until 13 Dec 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 11 Dec 2013 10CM FLUX: 175 / AP: 005
PREDICTIONS FOR 12 Dec 2013 10CM FLUX: 175 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 13 Dec 2013 10CM FLUX: 175 / AP: 007
COMMENT: The Sun is still in a C-flaring mood. It is almost sure that more
C-flares will happen. The probability for M-flaring activity is estimated
around 40%. There are 9 active regions on the solar disk. Several of them
are magnetically connected. NOAA AR 1922 (Catania 74) has grown from
nothing to a beta-gamma configuration. A partial halo CME was detected
on Dec 9, around 21UT. The source region was located in the North-East. We
don't expect this CME to be geoeffective. A recurrent large coronal hole
in the northern hemisphere reached the central meridian. It caused previous
rotation a Kp of 4. Geomagnetic disturbances are excepted on December 14.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 124, BASED ON 14 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 10 Dec 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 209
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 175
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 006
AK WINGST : 003
ESTIMATED AP : 003
ESTIMATED ISN : 129, BASED ON 24 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
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22019. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-12 15:30:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 22019

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:Issued: 2013 Dec 12 1234 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
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# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 31212
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 12 Dec 2013, 1212UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 12 Dec 2013 until 14 Dec 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Active conditions expected (A>=20 or K=4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 12 Dec 2013 10CM FLUX: 170 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 13 Dec 2013 10CM FLUX: 170 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 14 Dec 2013 10CM FLUX: 170 / AP: 014
COMMENT: Two long duration C-flares took place today: in the SW (NOAA AR
1912) and in the SE (NOAA AR 1917). Both were associated with a plasma
eruption. Yesterday, we had a similar scenario in the SE. A mass of plasma
was ejected in the neighbourhood of NOAA AR 1919. Geomagnetic conditions
are quiet. A possible influence of a fast stream associated with a coronal
hole in the northern hemisphere might arrive on December 14.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 109, BASED ON 09 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 11 Dec 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 220
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 171
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 007
AK WINGST : 004
ESTIMATED AP : 003
ESTIMATED ISN : 120, BASED ON 21 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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22020. ARLD050 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-12 23:22:48 UTC
From: jjreisert@...
Topic: 7755 Message: 22020

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DX Bulletin 50 ARLD050
>From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT December 12, 2013
To all radio amateurs

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ARLD050 DX news

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by NC1L, QRZ DX, the Weekly DX, the OPDX Bulletin, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, DXNL, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

MADAGASCAR, 5R. Eric, F6ICX is QRV as 5R8IC from Sainte Marie Island, IOTA AF-090, until December 15. Activity is on 40 to 10 meters using mostly CW with some SSB, RTTY and PSK. QSL to home call.

BAHRAIN, A9. Fawaz, A92AA and Ely, A93LT are QRV as A91MCAT until the end of 2013 to celebrate the capital Manama as the Capital of Arab Tourism. QSL via IZ8CLM.

AZORES, CU. Siegfried, DF9WB is QRV as CT8/DF9WB until December 18. Activity is on 20, 15 and 10 meters using SSB. QSL to home call.

WALES, GW. Steve, GW4BLE will be QRV as GW7X in the ARRL 10 Meter contest as a Multi/Single entry. QSL direct via G8DX.

MINAMI TORISHIMA, JD1. Take, JG8NQJ is QRV as JG8NQJ/JD1 from Marcus Island, IOTA OC-073, until mid December while on work assignment. Activity is on 17, 15, 12 and 10 meters using only CW in his spare time. QSL to home call.

ARGENTINA, LU. Look for L73D to be a Multi/Single entry in the ARRL 10 Meter contest. QSL via operators' instructions.

LITHUANIA, LY. Vilmantas, LY3BY is QRV as LY2013SAT until December 24 to commemorate the first Lithuanian nano-satellite LituanicaSAT-1. QSL via LY3BY.

CURACAO, PJ2. Mark, N5OT, Dave, W6DR, Yin, N9YS and Mike, NT6X are QRV as PJ2/home calls, along with Geoff, W0CG who is QRV as PJ2DX. They will be active as PJ2T in the ARRL 10 Meter contest. QSL PJ2T

direct via W3HNK and all others to home calls.

SEYCHELLES, S7. Igor, UA3DJY is QRV as S79ACR from Mahe Island, IOTA AF-024, for a month long holiday. He is active holiday style on the HF bands. QSL to home call.

CHAD, TT. Elvira, IV3FSG is QRV as TT8ES from Doba until December 20 while working with the Franciscan Sisters Alcantarins mission. Activity is in her spare time on HF using SSB and digital modes during her early mornings and late evenings. QSL via IK3GES.

EUROPEAN RUSSIA, UA. Special event call R2014CC is QRV until March 1, 2014 to commemorate the 2014 Winter Olympic Games. QSL via operators' instructions.

UKRAINE, UR. Special event station EN100ZKM is QRV to celebrate the 100th anniversary of Nikolaev's regional museum. QSL via UT5ZY.

BRUNEI, V8. Special event station V84BNJ is QRV until December 15 to commemorate the 4th Brunei National Scout Jamboree. Activity is on all bands using CW, SSB and PSK31. QSL via operators' instructions.

LAOS, XW. Champ, E21EIC is QRV as XW0YJY until December 17. Activity is on 80 to 10 meters using CW. This includes being an entry in the ARRL 10 Meter contest. QSL to home call.

INDONESIA, YB. Burkhard, DL3KZA is QRV as YB9/DL3KZA from Lombok Island, IOTA OC-150. Lately he has been active on 20 and 15 meters using SSB. His length of stay is unknown. QSL to home call.

NICARAGUA, YN. Scott, K7ZO is QRV as YN5Z until December 18. Activity is on 20 to 10 meters. This includes being an entry in the ARRL 10 Meter contest. QSL to home call.

ST. HELENA, ZD7. Daniel, ZS1BBT is QRV from school station ZD7PAS until December 23. QSL via operator's instructions.

SOUTH AFRICA, ZS. Members of the South African Radio League are QRV with special event call sign ZS9MADIBA for the next 30 days to commemorate the life of Nelson Rolihlahla Mandela. QSL via operators' instructions.

OPERATIONS APPROVED FOR DXCC CREDIT. The following operations are approved for DXCC Credit: Rwanda, 9X0XA, 2013 operation; Lakshadweep Islands, VU7AG, November 20, 2013 through December 10, 2013 operation.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The ARRL 10-Meter Contest, AWA Bruce Kelley 1929 QSO CW Party, NCCC RTTY Sprint, QRP CW Fox Hunt, NCCC Sprint, International Naval Contest and the QRP ARCI Holiday Spirits Homebrew CW Sprint are all on tap for this upcoming weekend. The Run for the Bacon QRP CW Contest and NAQCC-EU Monthly CW Sprint are

scheduled for December 16. The NAQCC Straight Key/Bug CW Sprint and QRP CW Fox Hunt are scheduled for December 18. Please see December QST, page 66 and the ARRL and WA7BNM contest web sites for details.
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22021. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
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From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 22021

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SIDC URSIGRAM 31213
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 13 Dec 2013, 1312UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 13 Dec 2013 until 15 Dec 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Active conditions expected (A>=20 or K=4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 13 Dec 2013 10CM FLUX: 165 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 14 Dec 2013 10CM FLUX: 162 / AP: 014
PREDICTIONS FOR 15 Dec 2013 10CM FLUX: 158 / AP: 007
COMMENT: The most active region the last 24 hours were NOAA AR 1917 near
the central meridian and 1921, 30 degrees east. We expect more C-flares and
a chance of 40% for M-flares. The C-flaring activity of yesterday December
12 was associated with two plasma eruptions: the flare from NOAA AR 1912
was associated with a SW oriented plasma eruption around 3UT, the flare
from NOAA AR 1917 was associated with a SE oriented plasma eruption around
5UT. We don't expect the CME's to arrive at Earth. Geomagnetic conditions
are quiet at the moment. The northern coronal hole can have a geomagnetic
impact: a Kp of 4 is possible from tomorrow onwards.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 096, BASED ON 13 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 12 Dec 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 190
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 165
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 003
AK WINGST : 001
ESTIMATED AP : 001
ESTIMATED ISN : 108, BASED ON 13 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
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22022. 425 DX News - #1180

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
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From: <k9or@...>
Topic: 22022 Message: 22022

14 December 2013 A.R.I. DX Bulletin
No 1180
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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** DX INFORMATION ****
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9M6 - Vincent, F4BKV is visiting Singapore (9V, AS-019), Brunei (V8, OC-088) and East Malaysia until 22 December. "Radio is not the main purpose of the trip", he says, so "don't expect a full time activity". The first two operations will be limited to few hours only, on 14 December from 9V and on 17-18 December from V8. On 20-22 December he will operate holiday style from Labuan Island (9M6, OC-133). Logsearch and OQRS at www.f4bkv.net http://www.f4bkv.net
A9 - The Bahrain Amateur Radio Group will operate special event station A91NM on 15 December to celebrate the 25th anniversary of the Bahrain National Museum. QSL via IZ8CLM. [TNX A92AA]
DL_ant - Felix, DL5XL will be working at the German Antarctic station Neumayer III from 20 December to 8 February. He will operate mainly CW as DP1POL in his spare time. QSL via DL1ZBO, direct or bureau, and LoTW. Logsearch on Club Log. Holger, DH1HB will be located at the same research station until February 2015, and will be QRV as DP0GVN (QSL via DL5EBE). [TNX DX World]
H40 - Sigi, DK9FN will be active again as H40FN (mainly CW) from Temotu Province from 21 December to 10 January. This year he will operate from Lomlom Island (OC-065). QSL via DK9FN (new route), direct or bureau. Further information and operating tips (they are worth a reading) at qrz.com http://qrz.com under H40FN. [TNX The Daily DX]
JW - Alex, DL1NX/PY2SEX will be active as JW/PY2SEX from Spitsbergen (EU-026), Svalbard on 24-25 December. He plans to operate mainly CW and SSB on 40-10 metres. QSL via DL1NX.
PJ4 - Steve (ex 9M6DXX and 9M8Z, aka G4JVG and KH0UN) has moved permanently to Bonaire (SA-006) and received his licence on 10 December. His new call is PJ4DX. He is QRV using an FT-950 and a low Spiderbeam, plus a 40m quarter-wave vertical with elevated radials. All equipment is kindly loaned by Peter, PJ4NX, until Steve's own equipment arrives from Malaysia early in 2014. QSL via M0URX, direct or bureau (OQRS preferred). Logs will be uploaded to LoTW and ClubLog on a regular basis. [TNX PJ4DX]
PJ5 - Nao, JN1RVS will be active as PJ5/K6NAO from St. Eustatius (NA-145) on 22-29 December. He will operate CW and RTTY/PSK on 40-10 metres. QSL via JA1HGY; logsearch and OQRS on Club Log. [TNX DX World]

PY - Raimundo, PT7CG will be active as ZX8DX from Ilha Grande de Santa
Isabel (SA-025) on 26-30 December. QSL via home call.
V5 - Dietmar, DL3DXX will be active as V5/DL3DXX from Namibia from 24
December to 8 January. He will operate CW only 160-10 metres. QSL
via home call. [TNX The Daily DX]
VP5 - Steve, VE3OC, to be active holiday style as VP5/VE3OC from
Providenciales, Caicos Islands (NA-002) on 18-27 December. QSL via
home call (direct only) and eQSL.
ZS - Celebrating the late President Nelson Mandela's legacy, the South
African Radio League will operate special event stations from
around the country using the special callsign ZS9MADIBA until 11
January 2014. QSL via the bureau or direct to SARL, P.O. Box 1721,
Strubensvallei 1735, South Africa. Logsearch on Club Log. See
www.amateurradio.org.za/ zs9madiba.htm http://www.amateurradio.org.za/zs9madiba.htm for
the operating schedule.

AFRICAN TRIP ---> Mathias DJ2HD, Ulmar DK1CE and Wolfgang DH3WO will be on
4x4 trip Namibia, South Africa, Lesotho and Botswana between 14 December and
18 January 2014:
14-18 December V5/DJ2HD
18-22 December ZS/DJ2HD, ZS/DK1CE, ZS/DH3WO
22-24 December 7P8DJ, 7P8CE, 7P8WO
24-30 December A25DJ, A25CE, A25WO
31 December-18 January V5/DJ2HD
1-5 January V5/DK1CE, V5/DH3WO
All of the QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau. When in
Namibia, DJ2HD will participate in the ARRL 10 Meter Contest and the DARC
10m Contest (12 January 2014) as V55V (QSL via DJ8VC, direct or bureau).

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** GOOD TO KNOW ... ****
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DXCC NEWS ---> 9X0XA (Rwanda, 2013 operation), T6TM (Afghanistan, current
operation) and VU7AG (Lakshadweep Islands, 20 November - 10 December 2013)
have been approved for DXCC credit. [TNX NC1L]

INDEXA NEWS ---> "The officers of the International DX Association, INDEXA
(www.indexa.org http://www.indexa.org), have agreed to send an additional donation of
2,500 USD
to the Amsterdam Island, FT5ZM, DXpedition team. INDEXA's financial support
for this DXpedition has now grown to 10,000 USD. Our membership of
worldwide DXers has been generous to us this year with donations. Thus,
INDEXA felt further support to the FT5ZM team was appropriate".

K9W ---> The K9W Wake Atoll Team thanks the DX community for the
outstanding response to The Forgotten 98 Commemorative DXpedition. K9W made
53765 CW, 38700 SSB and 7562 digital QSOs. The final QSO percentages per

continent are NA 35.3%, AS 32.3%, EU 26.9%, OC 3.1%, SA 1.8% and AF 0.6%.
All of the QSOs have been uploaded to Club Log, and "most, if not all,
corrections have been made". Please write to info[@]wake2013.org http://wake2013.org for
possible problems with the ClubLog upload. The printed QSLs are in transit
to the QSL manager (AA4NN). The use of OQRS for direct and bureau cards is
highly recommended (see http://wake2013.org/pages/qsl. html
http://wake2013.org/pages/qsl.html). [TNX W8GEX]

QSL HP0INT ---> Vincent, F4BKV mailed about 50% of the direct cards for the
Panama IOTA Tour on 12 December, the others will follow on the 23rd. Those
letters will be sent from Hong Kong, he says; direct requests with French
postage stamps on their SAEs will be processed in early January.

STORMY WEATHER: OH8X ---> Radio Arcala (OH8X) has lost its 100m (330 ft)
tall tower that supported 160m and 80m Yagis. The structure weighed 40 tons
(80,000 lbs) and did not survive recent storm Oskari's gusts of up to 68
knots. "The mammoth structure collapsed peacefully, not hitting any of the
other six towers, not hurting people or damaging buildings", OH2BN reports.
"It is suspected that automation designed to enable the array to find its
most comfortable position in high winds somehow locked up and caused the
structure to corkscrew and crumble down on its on base".

STORMY WEATHER: SV2ASP/A ---> The Daily DX reports that also Monk Apollo,
the only active station from Mount Athos, has lost all of his antennas,
which "fell down in the big wind storm last week". Apollo is currently "in
Corinth, Greece for the olive harvest" and "does does not know when he will
have the time to get something back up in the air".

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******* QSL ROUTES *******
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3W7W W3HNK IR8IDXC IK8WEJ RT110RAEM UA6YW]
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4S7KKG DC0KK LY2013SAT LY3BY RX110RAEM R4IT
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9X0ZM JO1CRA P29VNX JA1NLX SN5ZIMA SO5MAX
A61BM IZ8CLM P40GH WA2TTI SN640OKA SP5KVW
A91MCAT IZ8CLM PA6YOTA ON9CFG SP20SOT SP1YKO
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EG5MM EA5FL R200SB RN4ABD V63XG JA1XGI
EM110RAEM UT7UT R2014HQ RO6L VP8BTU G1EUZ
EN100ZKM UT5ZY R95NRL RA3TYL VX3X VE3JO
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HB30OK HB9OCR RL110RAEM RK3AW ZD7PAS ZD7DL
HD2RAE HD2A RM110RAEM RT5G ZD8UW M0OXO
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HF20SOT SP1KYB RO110RAEM RU5TT ZS6TQ K3IRV
HF3ZIMA SP3GVX RQ110RAEM R8IA ZT1T ZS1AFS

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22023. 425 DX Calendar - #1180

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-13 19:17:10 UTC
From: <k9or@...>
Topic: 22023 Message: 22023

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
******* CALENDAR *******
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till 22/12 HF1ZIMA, SN1ZIMA, 3Z3ZIMA, HF3ZIMA: special callsigns 1179
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till 26/11 H44MS: Honiara (OC-047), Solomon Islands 1167
till 31/12 3A60ARM: Monaco 1178
till 31/12 4A1TD: special callsign 1143
till 31/12 9A280-9A289: special prefixes (Croatia) 1156
till 31/12 A91MCAT: Bahrein (AS-002) 1179
till 31/12 DL50FRANCE: special station 1131
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till 31/12 EI13CLAN: special callsign 1130
till 31/12 EM110RAEM, EN110RAEM, EO110RAEM: special stations 1177
till 31/12 Gx100C: special callsign 1134
till 31/12 Gx100RSGB: special callsigns 1130
till 31/12 HA1973BA: special callsign 1148
till 31/12 HA30S: special callsign 1136
till 31/12 HB30OK: special callsign 1130
till 31/12 OU1RAEM: special callsign 1130
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till 31/12 S5300TP: special callsign 1130
till 31/12 VI6WA100: special callsign 1169

till 31/12 xx110RAEM: special event stations 1178
till 31/12 Youngsters On The Air (YOTA) special callsigns 1179
till 31/12 Z320RSM and Z320A-Z320Z: special callsigns 1130
till 05/01/2014 S506SLG and S506PMC: special event stations 1176
till 07/01/2014 EA8/IK1PMR and EA8/PA3LEO: Canary Islands (AF-004) 1177
till 11/01/2014 ZS9MADIBA: special callsign 1180
till 31/01/2014 IA0MZ: Mario Zucchelli Station, Antarctica 1171
till Jan 2014 HC/IZ1DPS: Ecuador 1164
till 07/02/2014 R1980M and R1980L: special callsigns 1178
till Feb 2014 VK0JJJ: Mawson station (Antarctica) 1135
till Feb 2014 ZS7V: SANAE IV station (Antarctica) 1136
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till Mar 2014 RI1ANR: Novo Runway, Antarctica 1173
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till Dec 2014 5Z4/LA4GHA: Kenya 1145
till Dec 2014 6O0LA: Somalia 1145
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till 01/02/2015 RI1ANC: Vostok Station, Antarctica 1173
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24/12-30/12 A25DJ, A25CE, A25WO: Botswana 1180
24/12-08/01/2014 V5/DL3DXX: Namibia 1180
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26/12-01/01/2014 K5KUA/5: Galveston Island (NA-143) 1179
28/12-31/12 OU1RAEM: Romo Island (EU-125) 1179
28/12-05/01/2014 JI3DST/6: Kuchino-Island (AS-049) 1175
31/12-18/01/2014 V5/DJ2HD: Namibia 1180
31/12-03/02/2014 9M2MRS: Penang Island (AS-015) 1176
December 9L1A: Sierra Leone 1178
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01/02-12/02/2014 S9TF: Principe Island (AF-044) 1177
24/02-07/03/2014 A35AX: Tongatapu (OC-049) and Vava'u (OC-064) 1179
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14/03-17/03/2014 XF1T: Isla Cocinas (NA-189) 1175
28/03-09/04/2014 VK9MT: Mellish Reef (OC-072) 1173

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22024. ARLP051 Propagation de K7RA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-14 00:12:29 UTC
From: jjreisert@...
Topic: 7783 Message: 22024

SB PROP @ ARL $ARLP051
ARLP051 Propagation de K7RA

ZCZC AP51
QST de W1AW
Propagation Forecast Bulletin 51 ARLP051
>From Tad Cook, K7RA
Seattle, WA December 13, 2013
To all radio amateurs

SB PROP ARL ARLP051
ARLP051 Propagation de K7RA

Solar indicators rose over the past week, for both solar flux and sunspot numbers. The highest were on Tuesday, December 10 when the sunspot number was 169 and solar flux 175.2. In an otherwise quiet week the planetary A index reached 26 on Sunday, December 8, sparked by a strong solar wind surging from a coronal hole. We could see a repeat this weekend. Geomagnetic activity during the ARRL 10 Meter Contest this weekend should be more active than contesters would prefer, with predicted planetary A index values of 20 and 15 on Saturday and Sunday.

NOAA said Thursday night that the geomagnetic field may be anywhere from quiet to minor storm levels this weekend.

For the past six 10-Meter Contests, geomagnetic conditions have been very quiet. But in 2006 the contest (always the second full weekend in December) fell right between two very active periods. The 2006 contest was held on December 9-10, and checking the record at http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/ftpdir/indices/old_indices/2006_DGD.txt we see the planetary A index on those dates was 7 and 14. But just prior on December 6 the A index was 28, and 25 on December 7-8. Following the contest that year the planetary A index on December 11-15 was 15, 26, 5, 63 and 104. The last two figures indicate a major geomagnetic storm. Lucky it didn't hit earlier, but the contest weekend was still feeling the effects of the higher activity in the days before. Reports included much trans-equatorial propagation. North-South propagation across the equator is not enhanced during periods of high geo-activity, but rather that is often the only propagation path available.

Compared to the previous seven days, over December 5-11 the average daily sunspot number rose from 102.9 to 122.1, and average daily solar flux increased from 132.9 to 162.4.

The predicted values in the 45-day outlook for solar flux took a substantial leap on December 8. For example, on December 7 the predicted average solar flux for December 10-15 was 141, and on December 8 the projected average for the same period was 170. The predicted values for the following 45 days increased across the board, but have since scaled back somewhat.

The latest prediction has solar flux at 165 on December 13, 160 on December 14-15, 155 on December 16-18, 150 on December 19-20, 172 on December 21-22, 175 on December 23-25, 172 on December 26, 170 on December 27-29, 165 on December 30, and 160 on December 31 through January 2, 2014. After dipping to 150 on January 4, solar flux is expected to rise to a short term peak of 172 on January 7-8.

Predicted planetary A index is 12, 20 and 15 on December 13-15, then 5 on December 16-25, then 12, 10 and 8 on December 26-28, 5 on December 29 through January 2, 2014, then 10, 20, 15, 10 and 8 on January 3-7.

OK1HH believes the geomagnetic field will be quiet December 13-14, mostly quiet December 15, quiet to unsettled December 16, quiet December 17-18, quiet to unsettled December 19, quiet December 20-24, mostly quiet December 25, quiet to unsettled December 26, quiet to active December 27, quiet December 28, mostly quiet December 29, and quiet on December 30-31.

Predicted solar flux shows this weekend's 10 Meter Contest should have the highest solar flux and sunspot numbers since the 2002 contest. Conditions may be similar to the 1999 contest, when solar flux and sunspot numbers were about the same as now. This was before the peak of the last solar cycle, cycle 23.

To test this out and see where conditions are compared to previous ten meter contests, I averaged sunspot numbers and solar flux since 1997 for the contest weekend including the Friday before.

>From 1997 through 2012, the average solar flux on the second full weekend in December was 90.6, 143.5, 160.9, 139.9, 224.2, 185.3, 89.1, 88.4, 91.2, 92.8, 87.5, 69.8, 74, 88.2, 139.3, and 100.6. For Friday through Saturday this weekend the average of predicted flux values is 161.7, very close to what it was in 1999, and as you can see, stronger than any contest weekend after 2002.

Over the same period using the same method, average sunspot numbers were 66.7, 153.3, 120.3, 70.7, 201.3, 202.3, 41.3, 27, 55.7, 22.7, 34, 4.7, 13, 27, 103 and 32.7. We don't have a source for predicted daily sunspot numbers, but the average reported at the end of this bulletin was 122.1. This is also stronger than any contest weekend since 2002.

Note that in 2008 the average sunspot number on the second weekend in December was only 4.7. This may seem strange, because the arcane method used for determining sunspot number produces no non-zero

sunspot numbers below 11. But on that Friday through Sunday period, over the three days sunspot numbers were 14, 0 and 0. That produces an arithmetic average of 4.667, or 4.7.

You can find information on the ARRL 10 Meter Contest at http://www.arrl.org/10-meter.

I used past ARRL Propagation Bulletins from the archive at http://arrl.org/w1aw-bulletins-archive-propagation as a source for data on past 10 Meter contests. While browsing, in ARLP050 in 2010 I found an interesting resource that I had forgotten about at http://www.helioviewer.org/ . With this tool you can set up a movie of recent or past solar images, and have them continually animated at a variety of rates and representing a time period of your choosing.

I also ran into a bulletin by Tony, G4CJC concerning 10 meter DX and propagation news from Europe at http://www.southgatearc.org/bands/10metres/december2013/december_12.htm#.Uqls0-JC2UU .

Jon Jones, N0JK writes The World Above 50 MHz column in QST, and sent this note:

"The Winter 6 meter Es season is underway.

Tuesday Dec. 10 - 6 meters was open before sunrise (1230 UTC) from KS, NE to Florida, and strong Es from W1 to Florida.

Geminids meteor shower to peak this weekend."

That's right, and the meteor shower should enhance 10 meter propagation, because of all those ionized meteor trails. In fact, the story goes that the second weekend in December was picked for the 10 meter contest because it coincides, with some variation year to year, with the Geminids shower.

Max White, M0VNG sent along an article about threats from massive solar events. Read it at at http://www.colorado.edu/news/releases/2013/12/09/cu-boulder-scientist-2012-solar-storm-points-need-society-prepare .

Ray Soifer, W2RS of Green Valley, Arizona wrote: "Interesting to read about Larry, W0OGH's experience with VU7AG. Mine was very similar. I am 113 miles south of Larry's QTH and worked VU7AG on 20 CW a minute before he did. I too noticed the auroral flutter on the VU7's signal. Most of their times and frequencies seemed to favor Europe and the eastern half of North America so it was good to have this opening.

On 20 CW I have 600 watts to a Hy-Gain AV620 vertical mounted on a 10-foot pipe. It isn't a 4- element monobander but it does pretty well on DX paths due to its fairly low radiation angle."

Funny. My word processing program did not like the word "monobander" above, and suggested "mindbender" as the correct spelling.

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service at http://arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals. For an explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin, see http://arrl.org/the-sun-the-earth-the-ionosphere. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at http://arrl.org/w1aw-bulletins-archive-propagation. More good information and tutorials on propagation are at http://k9la.us/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://arrl.org/propagation.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of ARRL bulletins are at http://arrl.org/bulletins.

Sunspot numbers for December 5 through 11 were 103, 105, 104, 83, 125, 169, and 166, with a mean of 122.1. 10.7 cm flux was 149.6, 150.5, 156.9, 165.5, 168.1, 175.2, and 170.8, with a mean of 162.4. Estimated planetary A indices were 5, 4, 6, 26, 5, 5, and 4, with a mean of 7.9. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 4, 3, 4, 14, 2, 3, and 2, with a mean of 4.6.
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22025. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-14 15:30:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 22025

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:Issued: 2013 Dec 14 1245 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 31214
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 14 Dec 2013, 1212UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 14 Dec 2013 until 16 Dec 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Active conditions expected (A>=20 or K=4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 14 Dec 2013 10CM FLUX: 163 / AP: 013
PREDICTIONS FOR 15 Dec 2013 10CM FLUX: 160 / AP: 006
PREDICTIONS FOR 16 Dec 2013 10CM FLUX: 160 / AP: 004
COMMENT: The X-ray background radiation has decreased slightly. C-flaring
activity is however still very likely. A forward shock is seen in ACE solar
wind data around 12UT on December 13: temperature, density and magnetic
field strength increased, the speed increased from around 270 km/s to 330
km/s. The shock is probably linked to the interaction of a slow and fast
solar wind stream giving rise to a co-rotating interaction region. The
northern coronal hole that reached the central meridian on December 10 is
responsible for the fast solar wind. The planetary K index became 4 during
one 3-hour interval this morning, December 14. The total magnetic field
strength at the L1 point is around 10 nT, the wind carries 10 particles per
cm3 at a speed of around 400 km/s. Active conditions are possible.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 094, BASED ON 11 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 13 Dec 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 186
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 163
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 015
AK WINGST : 003
ESTIMATED AP : 003
ESTIMATED ISN : 097, BASED ON 20 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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22026. VU7AG on LOTW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-15 13:36:22 UTC
From: KQ8M
Topic: 22026 Message: 22026

Just received my VU7AG confirmations on LOTW. Now that is what I call fast!

73,

Tim Herrick, KQ8M

Charter Member North Coast Contesters

kq8m@...

AR-Cluster V6 kq8m.no-ip.org

User Ports: 23, 7373 with local skimmer, 7374 without local skimmer

Server Ports: V6 3607, V4 Active 3605, V4 Passive 3606

22027. RE: VU7AG on LOTW

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-15 15:03:51 UTC
From: <kb1jzu@...>
Topic: 22026 Message: 22027

Same here Tim,

Krish and team did a great job. Filled my 5 open bands from VU7 with minimal effort on my part. Did send a donation unaffected by their upload to LoTW.

Hope they plan a future trip to VU4.....got 5 open bands on that one too.

Now if only some of the other November DXpeditions would follow the lead of VT7AG, 5J0R, XR0ZR, & K9W. HI

Bob

22028. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-15 15:30:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 22028

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:Issued: 2013 Dec 15 1303 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 31215
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 15 Dec 2013, 1312UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 15 Dec 2013 until 17 Dec 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 15 Dec 2013 10CM FLUX: 162 / AP: 005
PREDICTIONS FOR 16 Dec 2013 10CM FLUX: 160 / AP: 006
PREDICTIONS FOR 17 Dec 2013 10CM FLUX: 160 / AP: 005
COMMENT: The background X-ray radiation is situated in the top B-level
(B7). The probability for C-flares is around 60%, M-flares around 20%, the
chances for an X-flare are low. There were several CMEs on December 14.
All of them were limb events. No impact on Earth is expected. The
geomagnetic conditions were active (Kp=4) yesterday, December 14 due to the
interaction of a slow and fast solar wind linked with a coronal hole. We
are again heading to a slow wind. We expect the geomagnetic conditions to
cool down and return to quiet.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 093, BASED ON 07 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 14 Dec 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 164
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 026
AK WINGST : 020
ESTIMATED AP : 021
ESTIMATED ISN : 096, BASED ON 17 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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22029. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1141

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-15 22:28:32 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 22029 Message: 22029

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Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin No. 1141

The Ohio/Penn DX PacketCluster
DX Bulletin No. 1141
BID: $OPDX.1141
December 16, 2013
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 8th-December, through Sunday, 15th-December there were 217 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3B9, 3V, 3W, 3X, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5A, 5B, 5R, 5T, 5W, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9M6, 9V, 9X, 9Y, A4, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C5, C6, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E6, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EP, ER, ES, EU, EX, EZ, F, FG, FH, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FR, FW, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J6, J7, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ7, PY, PZ, S2, S5, S7, S9, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T2, T32, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TR, TT, TU, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V3, V4, V5, V6, V7, V8, VE, VK, VP2E, VP2V, VP5, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, VU7, XE, XU, XW, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS, ZS8

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

1A, SOVEREIGN MILITARY ORDER OF MALTA (Update). An "international team" of operators led by Francesco, IK0FVC, will be active as 1A0KM from the Sovereign Military Order of Malta (SMOM) between January 2-7th (2014). QSL via IK0FTA. Log will be uploaded to LoTW. Look for more details to be forthcoming.

3B9, RODRIGUES ISLAND. Eric, OE4AAC, will once again be active as 3B9/OE4AAC from Rodrigues Island (AF-017) between February 10-18th. Activity will be holiday style on 40-10 meters CW. QSL via OE4AAC.

C9, MOZAMBIQUE. Operators John/ZS5J and YL Beth/2W0VOW are now in Ponta de Ouro and are active as C91J and C91B, respectively. John informs OPDX that they will be there until December 20th. They will be operating from an Indian Ocean beachfront house (see pictures from Beth on QRZ.com under C91B) on 20/15/10 meters using CW and SSB. John also mentioned on Thursday, "We put up a 43 ft vertical earlier yesterday, but were having problems with that antenna. We will try to rectify this antenna to allow us to operate 40/30/17 and 12 on SSB/CW also. QSL only direct to PO Box 102303, Meerensee, 3901 SOUTH AFRICA (with 3 USDs and your QSL card, and you will get a QSL card back direct via air mail)."

CARIBBEAN TOUR. Operators Mek/SP7VC, Ted/SP3IPB and YL Kate/SQ7OYL plan to activate a few islands in the Caribbean between January 11-30th. The tentative schedule and callsigns are as follows:

January 11-12th - Martinique; callsigns are FM/SP7VC, FM/SP3IPB and FM/SQ7OYL.
Janaury 13-14th - St. Lucia (J6); No activity planned.
January 15-16th - Dominica; callsigns J79VC and J79PB.
January 17-18th - Guadeloupe; callsigns FG/SP7VC, FG/SP3IPB and FG/SQ7OYL.
January 18-22nd - Montserrat; callsigns VP2MPG and VP2MTK.
January 21st - Antigua; callsigns V26/SP7VC and V26/SP3IPB

No details on what bands and modes they will use. QSL via their home callsigns. Watch for updates on Mek's Blog page at:
http://www.sp7vc.dxing.pl/

A91, BAHRAIN. Special event station A91MCAT is now active until December 31st. Activity is to celebrate that Manama city was chosen to be the ‘Capital of Arab Tourism 2013’ by the Arab Tourism ministers who met in Aqaba, Jordan, in 2011. Operators mentioned are Fawaz/A92AA, Maher/A92DX, Ely/A93LT, Salvatore/IZ8CLM and Samir/OD5SK. The first 100 QSOs will receive an award certificate (PDF format) signed by the minister of Culture H.E Shaikha May bint Mohammad Al Kkhalifa. QSL via IZ8CLM. Also, see QRZ.com for more details.

AFRICAN TOUR (Update/Reminder). Operators Mathias/DJ2HD and Ulmar/DK1CE, will once again be active as V5/DJ2HD and V5/DK1CE from Namibia between now and January 18th (2014). This is just one part of their 4x4 trip through different African countries. Activity will be holiday style on CW, SSB and RTTY, but will also include a SSB entry in the DARC 10m Contest (January 14th). During this time frame, Mathias and Ulmar will also travel to and be active as 7P8DJ and 7P8CE, respectively, from Lesotho between December 22-24th. Their plans also include to be active from South Africa (as ZS/DJ2HD and ZS/DK1CE). Mathias/DJ2HD and Ulmar/DK1CE will be joined by Wolfgang/DH3WO and will be active from Botswana between December 24-30th, signing A25DJ, A25CE and A25WO, respectively. QSL all callsigns via their home callsigns, direct or by the Bureau.

DXCC NEWS. Bill Moore, NC1L, ARRL Awards Branch Manager, reports that the following operations are approved for DXCC credit:

   9X0XA - Rwanda; 2013 Operation
   T6TM - Afghanistan; Current operation
   VU7AG – Lakshadweep Islands; November 20th-December 10th, 2013

DXCC NEWS (Deadline Reminder!). Bill Moore, NC1L, ARRL Awards Branch Manager, reports: "This is a reminder to all DXCC program participants that the deadline for the 2013 calendar year ends on Tuesday December 31, 2013. In order to appear in the Annual Listing, published in the electronic version of the DXCC Yearbook, you must have your submission postmarked no later than December 31, 2013. Since the DXCC workload usually peaks around this time each year I recommend that applicants not wait until the last minute to get their submissions in. Besides being the heavy period for DXCC, keep in mind that it is also around the holidays so the post office can contribute to any delays in getting mail to DXCC." For more and complete details, see the DXCC Blog at:

http://www.arrl.org/dxcc-blog

E5, SOUTH COOK ISLANDS. David, BA4DW, is expected to be active as E51CDW during a holiday style operation from Rarotonga Island (OC-013) between January 21-27th (2014). He informs OPDX that his activity will be on the major HF bands using CW and SSB. QSL via BA4DW.

FG, GUADELOUPE. Jean-Pierre, F6ITD, will once again be active as FG/F6ITD from Guadeloupe and two of its islands between January 28th and March 25th (2014). Activity will be on all HF bands using SSB and the Digital modes. He plans to visit the following two islands in the IOTA NA-102 group:

    January 29th-February 9th - Basse Terre Island (main island); his callsign FG/F6ITD.
    February 9th-March 25th   - La Desirade Island; his callsign FG/F6ITD and TO6D during contest.

QSL via his home callsign, by the Bureau, direct or LoTW (preferred). Logs will be uploaded to ClubLog and LoTW. For more details, see:

http://www.qrz.com/db/FGF6ITD

FO/A, AUSTRAL ISLANDS (Update to OPDX.1140 - Callsign). A group of six operators from the UK will operate as TX6G from the Island of Raivavae in the Australs (OC-114) between March 20th and April 1st (2014). A Web site will be launched with further details once the other details are confirmed.

IOTA NEWS.....

  AS-015. Richard, PA0RRS, will once again be active as 9M2MRS from Penang Island between December 31st and February 3rd (2014). Activity will be on 40-10 meters using CW, RTTY and PSK. He states that he will do special requests on SSB (but not preferred). His equipment is a Yaesu FT450d (100w) with a YT450 antenna tuner into a G5RV junior (40-10 meter) antenna which he will put up on the balcony of his hotel [with a lot of bents, but it had worked 'OK' last year]. QSL via his home callsign, by the Bureau, the OQRS on ClubLog (preferred) or

direct to: Rich Smeets, C. Gerlingsstraat 60, 5121 ZR Rijen, The Netherlands (due to new postal rates there is a need for return postagem of 2.00 USDs or 1 NEW IRC -- in all cases via Clublog (OQRS) is much cheaper!). Log will also be uploaded to LoTW later.

AS-124. Members of the Emirates Amateur Radio Society (EARS) will be active as A63RI from Dibba Rock Island between December 19-23rd. Activity will be on all HF bands using CW and SSB. QSL via IZ8CLM.

AS-153. Operators Ariff/VU3ARF and Asish/VU2GMT will be active as VU3ARF/p from Jambudwip Island (WWFF VUFF-091), an island that has never been activated in the West Bengal State IOTA Group, between July 23-31st. Activity will be on 40-10 meters using CW and SSB. They will be an entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 26-27th). QSL via VU3ARF, by the Bureau or direct to: Ariff Mohammad, 72/A Elliot Road, Calcutta 700016, India. For updates, watch: http://vu3arf.org/

EU-045. Luigi, IK8HCG, will be active as IB0R from Ventotene Island (IIA LT-011, MIA MI-118, WWFF IFF-110) during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 26-27th, 2014) as a Single-Op entry. QSL via his home callsign direct ONLY.

OC-272. (Postponed) Operators Budi/YF1AR, Imam/YF4IR and Joppy/YB8XM were expected to be active from Kisar Island between December 21-25th, but had to "postpone due to a new assignment". Visit their Web site at: http://www.yf1ar.com/2013/12/kisar-island-oc-272-new-iota.html

SA-025. Operators Raimundo/PT7CG and Renner/PY7RP will be active as ZX8DX from Pedra do Sal Beach on Grande de Santa Isabel Island between December 26-30th. Activity will be on all the HF bands using SSB. QSL via PT7CG.

K9W WAKE ATOLL PRESS RELEASE #7 (Dated December 9th): "The Wake Atoll Commemorative Team wants to thank the DX community for the outstanding response to 'The Forgotten 98 Commemorative DXpedition'. Also, we need to express our gratitude to our hosts on Wake, the United States Air Force. Our DXpedition was warmly welcomed and their support was invaluable.

The final QSO percentage per continent are Asia 32.3%, Europe 26.9%, NA 35.3%, OC 3.1%, SA 1.8% and AF 0.6%. The Team is extremely pleased to have distributed the QSOs to much needed parts of the world, especially EU which has the most difficult path to Wake Island. There were 53,765 CW, 38700 SSB and 7562 Digital QSOs.

The Team has uploaded all 100,000 plus QSOs into ClubLog and the printed QSLs are in transit to the QSL Manager, Joe, AA4NN. Most, if not all, corrections have been made to the Clublog upload. Please use <info@...> for possible problems with the ClubLog upload.

As mentioned on our website, the use of OQRS is highly recommended. It is an efficient and faster method for returning your QSL.

<http://wake2013.org/pages/qsl.html>
  Please support our Sponsors and the various worldwide DX Foundations
and local clubs. Those contributions, as well as, your individual donations
provided the necessary funding for this extremely expensive DXpedition.
Without this unwavering assistance, Wake Island would still be high on
the 'Most Wanted List'. All of us in the DX community owe them (and
you) a hearty round of applause!
Happy Holidays to all! -- 73, Lou N2TU and the Wake 2013 Commemorative Team"

OOPPPSSS DEPARTMENT. Last week under the "RI20, SOUTH SHETLAND ISLANDS",
we forgot to mention that the details and the Russian translation was
provided by Will, WC6DX.

PJ4, BONAIRE. Steve (ex-9M6DXX and 9M8Z. Also G4JVG and KH0UN) informed
OPDX this past week: "After moving to Bonaire just over 3 weeks ago, I
finally received my licence today [December 9th]. My new call is PJ4DX.
I'm QRV using an FT-950 and a low Spiderbeam, plus a 40m quarter-wave
vertical with elevated radials. All equipment is kindly loaned by Peter,
PJ4NX, until my own equipment arrives from Malaysia early in 2014. Future
plans are for higher power, a higher beam and an 80m antenna. QSL infor-
mation is via Tim, M0URX, OQRS (preferred), direct, or via the RSGB
Bureau. Logs will also be uploaded to LoTW and ClubLog on a regular basis."

PJ5, ST. EUSTATIUS. Nao, JN1RVS, will be active as PJ5/K6NAO between
December 22-29th. Activity will be on 40-10 meters using CW, RTTy and
PSK. QSL via the OQRS (ClubLog) or JA1HGY.

PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (December 16-22nd)....
 Dec/16th AN   Dec/19th AN   Dec/21st AN
 Dec/17th AN   Dec/20th AN   Dec/22nd AN
 Dec/18th AN
   SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS/INDEXES AND GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE
   ==
    NORMALITY   GEOMAG   K Values   Alpha
   -----------------   ------   --------   ------
   AN - Above Normal   Quiet   K=0-1   0-7
   HN - High Normal   Unsettled   K=2   8-15
   LN - Low Normal   Active   K=3   16-29
   BN - Below Normal   Minor Storm K=4   30-49
   DIS - Disturbed   Major Storm K=5   50-99
   VRY DIS - Very Disturbed Severe Storm K=6-9   100-400

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....................
  QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (December 15th)

  3Z20SOT via SP1PEA   EG3SBD via EA3URS   PH9HB/AM via PH9HB (d)
  3Z3ZIMA via SP3SBY   EH5RE via EB5AQB   RT110RAEM via UA6YW
  4X/OG1G via R3AR   IQ9UI via IT9CHU   S51ZZ via S54G (d/B)
  6W/AA1AC via AA1AC   IV3/YO8CNA via YO8CNA   SN110RAEM via SP9HTY
  8P9IU via KI1U   IY0CXII via IQ0RM   SN20SOT via SP1RKT
  A6/PH9HB via PH9HB (d)   ON4YOTA via ON9CFG   TT8ES via IK3GES

C91B via ZS5J (d) OO7R via ON6OM UP110RAEM via RW6HS (d)
C91J via ZS5J (d) OP2A via ON5CD XW0YJY via E21EIC
CE1/AL4Q via DJ8QP OQ4B via ON4BHQ YN5Z via K7ZO
CT8/DF9WB via DF9WB P40GH via WA2TTI YO0YOTA via ON9CFG
E6RQ via VK4FI PA14HNY via PA1AW ZS9MADIBA via (ZS-B/L)
E720IARU via E71A PB14HNY via PA1AW
(e) eQSL only (d) direct only (B) Bureau only (L) LoTW only

IRCS ABOUT TO EXPIRE (Reminder/ADVICE). Jess, KR4OJ, informs OPDX readers: "As most everyone knows, IRCs purchased after Jan 2009, are due to expire on Dec 31, 2013. I had several & went to my local post office to cash them in. Of course, they had no idea what an IRC was, and had never heard of them. After some phone calls, they finally acknowledged them, but DID NOT want to redeem them for full value. To save yourself some time & to get the full current value of your IRCs, in the USA, ($1.10) go to the following USPS bulletin, print and carry it with you. You can get $$$, however I just swapped mine for the new 'Universal' Forever Stamp."
http://pe.usps.com/text/imm/immc3_020.htm#ep392074

K2QXI/KH0 via JJ2QXI. Mack, JJ2QXI, states he will accept SASE/SAE + sufficient postage/IRC/GSs, and Bureau request via E-mail. For details, please see K2QXI on the QRZ.com.

ZS2DL QSL CHANGE. As of January 1, 2014, QSL Manager Buzz, NI5DX, will no longer be assisting ZS2DL as his manager. Donovan has decided that he will handle his own QSLing. Buzz will continue to answer any QSL requests for contacts prior to January 1, 2014, until March 1st. At that time, ALL requests for a ZS2DL card must go direct to ZS2DL. All Bureau cards must go to ZS2DL as NI5DX will no longer reply to Bureau cards after January 1st.

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 3DA0ET, 5J0R, 8P5A, 9A4WY, 9J3A, CE7FKG, CN8KD, CR3E, CT1IUK, D3AA, DH7LF, DL6KVA, DM5TI, DR1D, EA7ST, EA7TG, EA8/RW3DO, EB2AM, ES9C, FY5KE, H44IND, HC2IOH, HK4SAN, J73A, JA2BDR, JA5IU, JH5RXS, JJ0NCC, JJ1KZZ, KL7KY, KL7RA, LA7HJA, LX7I, LZ1520YYD, OC4CW, OE2XEL, OK1JMJ, OX3XR, PA0LOU, PJ2/K2PLF, PJ6/N7QT, PJ7W, PP1CZ, PY6KW, R7NK, S51YI, UU2JQ, VA7AM, VE2EBK, VK2GWK, VP9I, VU7AG, VY2SS, XE2S, XR0ZR, ZC4LI, ZD8O, ZF1A, ZM90DX, ZS6RJ and ZS8C

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 5A1AL, 5H3EE, GN4FOC, GT4FOC, JA7SGV/6V, KG4HF, TO2TT, TU5XV and VK0GB

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: NONE REPORTED THIS WEEK!

SOUTHEAST & ASIAN TOUR. Vincent, F4BKV, will be visiting some Southeast Asian countries until December 22nd. Activity will be very limited on this trip. His tentative scheduled is as follows:

December 14th - Singapore (AS-109); callsign probably 9V/F4BKV
December 17-18th - Brunei (OC-088); callsign probably V8/F4BKV
December 20-22nd - Labuan Island (OC-133), East Malaysia; callsign probably 9M6/F4BKV

QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau. He does have a log search and OQRS at: http://www.f4bkv.net/

SV/A, MT. ATHOS. "The Daily DX" is reporting that Monk Apollo, SV2ASP/A, the only active station from Mount Athos, has lost all of his antennas during a big wind storm last week. Apollo does not know when he will have the time to get something back up in the air. The SteppIR crashed into the garden. SV2ASP is currently in Corinth, Greece, for the olive harvest.

TM70, FRANCE (Special Event). Look for special event station TM70BBC to be active between June 3-13th. The special callsign is to commemorate the 70th anniversary of the landing of allies forces in Normandy. See QRZ.com for more details and QSL info. QSL Manager is F5UOW.

TO22, GUADELOUPE. Gildas, F6HMQ, will once again be active as TO22C from Guadeloupe between February 20th and March 6th. Activity will be on all bands, plus an entry in the ARRL International DX SSB Contest (March 1-2nd). QSL via F6HMQ.

XU, CAMBODIA. Pat, N2IEN, informs OPDX that he will be active as XU7AEV between now and December 21st. Activity will be holiday style and should be mostly CW on 40-10 meters. He is using an IC-7000 and a Buddipole in a vertical configuration. Pat mentioned on Friday that he tried calling CQ on 10.105 MHz, but the band seems completely dead. QSL via his home callsign; SASE preferred. He will also attempt to upload log to LoTW.

XU7, CAMBODIA. Alex, M6CFW, will once again be active as XU7AEU from Phnom Penh between January 9-14th. He states, "I'll be taking some antennas for different bands and will try for some phone contacts as well as my normal PSK working - sorry I still haven't learnt CW to a good enough standard. This time I'll be taking a Yaesu FT-897D with me as my trusty Icom probably won't survive another flight (thanks Emirates). I'll try to operate for several hours each evening (UTC+7), and maybe a few hours to suit North & South America." If like last time, Alex will post his log to eQSL immediately, Clublog at the end of the trip and LoTW. QSL cards are available direct via his home callsign of M6CFW in England, along with a self addressed envelope and 2 euro or 2 USDs or a valid IRC. If you are in the UK you can just send an SASE. CARDS WILL NOT BE SENT VIA THE BUREAU.

YJ, VANUATA. Operators Bill/N7OU and Rocky/NE7D will be active from Port Vila, Vanuatu, between February 11-25th (2014). Callsigns to be announced. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW. They will be using verticals on a north-facing shore and 500w amps. They will also be a Multi-Single entry in the ARRL International DX CW Contest (February 15-16th). QSL via their home callsigns. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW as soon as they return to the USA.

ZS9, SOUTH AFRICA (Special callsign to celebrate President Nelson Mandala's legacy). The SARL will be operating special event stations from around South Africa using the callsign ZS9MADIBA. Members of the SARL are invited

to apply for time slots to operate ZS9MIDIBA from their own shacks. QSLing is via the Bureau or by sending your QSL to: SARL, P.O. Box 1721, Strubens-vallei 1735, South Africa. You may also use Logbook of the World (LoTW). To receive the special QSL card by mail, include 1 USDs for postage.

ZS9MADIBA is the South African Radio League Special Event Station commemorating the life and recent passing of Nelson Rolihlahla Mandela, elder statesman and first democratically-elected President of the Republic of South Africa. Affectionately referred to as "Madiba", he became one of the most recognized leaders in the world and was instrumental in the peaceful transition of South Africa from minority rule to a constitutional democracy. South Africans join the people of the world in mourning his passing and celebrating his legacy. For more details and the operating schedule, visit: http://www.amateurradio.org.za/zs9madiba.htm

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** IMPORTANT NOTICE/REMINDER ** The Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin now has a new FAX number. Contributors can now send/fax their DX information to the following number: 1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)
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SPECIAL NOTE BY EDITOR (Updated 09/15/2013): If you are having a problem receiving bounced mail by sending mail to me via <kb8nw@...>, please send mail to me via <kb8nw@...> ...... TNX de Tedd KB8NW
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PLEASE NOTICE (as of February 12th), NEW ADDRESS CHANGES FOR THE
OPDX INTERNET HELP/SUBSCRIBE/UNSUBSCRIBE REQUESTS:

Help: <mailto:opdx-request@...?subject=help>
Subscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@...?subject=subscribe>
Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@...?subject=unsubscribe>

OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):
http://www.papays.com/opdx.html
ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB PAGES AT:
http://www.nodxa.org/
http://www.facebook.com/NorthernOhioDxAssociation

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Excerpts and distribution of The OPDX Bulletin are granted as long as KB8NW/OPDX/BARF80 receive credit. To contribute DX info, please send via InterNet Mail to: kb8nw@... - OR -   kb8nw@...
Information can now be faxed to the following "NEW" phone line at:
1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)
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Additional Bulletin for OPDX InterNet Subscribers.
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From: Tim Duffy <k3lr@...>
Subject: Contest University USA 2014 Schedule

2014 will be a GREAT year for Contest University (CTU)!

In the USA for the first time - there will be TWO different Contest University all day sessions during 2014. There will be NO overlap or repeat

papers given between these TWO CTU events. Each CTU will have unique and updated presentations - so it is best to attend BOTH CTU's in 2014 so you do not miss anything!

The first USA CTU will be the Dayton Contest University on Thursday May 15, 2014 at the Crowne Plaza Hotel. This is the day before the Dayton Hamvention opens. There will be over 20 presentations (all new) by top contesters and station builders. With four classrooms running most of the jam packed day. CTU Dayton registration will open up soon (during the next two weeks). Space at CTU USA Dayton will be limited - and Crowne Plaza hotel rooms are already fully booked.

Check the official CTU website for registration and updated information:
http://contestuniversity.com/

Please take a look at the VIDEOS section for highlights from the USA CTU 2013 sessions.

The second USA CTU will be held at the historic 2014 ARRL National Centennial Convention in Hartford, CT on July 17, 2014.

The CTU Centennial will be an all day event with six CTU presentations in one class room. Again, the ARRL CTU will have six NEW presentations that are not the same as the CTU Dayton event.

You can learn more about the ARRL Centennial event here:
http://www.arrl.org/files/file/Centennial%202014/QST_Nov_Centennial_Ad.pdf

Registration for the ARRL Centennial CTU will be handled through the ARRL.

Please forward this CTU update email to your contest clubs.
CU at TWO USA CTU's in 2014!
73,
Tim K3LR
Contest University Chairman
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Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW - kb8nw at barf80.nshore.org --or-- kb8nw at arrl.net
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President of the "Northern Ohio DX Association" (NODXA)
DX Chairman for the "Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society
ARRL Assistant Director of the Great Lakes Division
Sysop of the "Basic Amateur Radio Frequency BBS" (BARF80.ORG)

22030. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-16 15:30:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 22030

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:Issued: 2013 Dec 16 1211 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 31216
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 16 Dec 2013, 1212UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 16 Dec 2013 until 18 Dec 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 16 Dec 2013 10CM FLUX: 152 / AP: 006
PREDICTIONS FOR 17 Dec 2013 10CM FLUX: 150 / AP: 008
PREDICTIONS FOR 18 Dec 2013 10CM FLUX: 145 / AP: 008
COMMENT: The background X-ray radiation is situated in the top B-level
(B7). The strongest solar flare was a C3.6 flare originating from Catania
sunspot region 80 (NOAA AR 1917). The probability for C-flares is around
70%, M-flares around 20%, the chances for an X-flare are low. The >10MeV
proton flux measured by GOES had a small bump, but remained below the event
threshold (10 pfu) and is now back at background level. The origin of this
enhancement currently is unclear. No Earth directed CMEs were observed in
coronagraphic data. We are currently inside a slow solar wind stream with
a solar wind speed of 400 km/s, as observed by ACE. The interplanetary
magnetic field currently is weak with a magnitude of about 5 nT.
Geomagnetic conditions are quiet (K<3) to unsettled (K=3) and are expected
to remain so.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 080, BASED ON 11 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 15 Dec 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 156
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 011
AK WINGST : 006
ESTIMATED AP : 005
ESTIMATED ISN : 091, BASED ON 17 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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22031. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-17 15:30:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 22031

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:Issued: 2013 Dec 17 1229 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 31217
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 17 Dec 2013, 1212UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 17 Dec 2013 until 19 Dec 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 17 Dec 2013 10CM FLUX: 152 / AP: 006
PREDICTIONS FOR 18 Dec 2013 10CM FLUX: 150 / AP: 005
PREDICTIONS FOR 19 Dec 2013 10CM FLUX: 150 / AP: 011
COMMENT: The strongest solar flare was a C3.1 long-duration flare peaking
on December 16 at 21h33 UTC originating from new active region NOAA AR
1927, located at the west limb. The flare was associated with a CME,
observed in LASCO/C2 (first measurement on December 16 at 21h27 UTC) and
STEREO A coronagraphic data (at 21h39 UTC). The CME is travelling to the
west with an estimated speed of 650 km/s (estimated via Stereo CAT), with
possible arrival of a glancing blow late December 19 (UTC time). The
probability for C-flares is around 70%, M-flares around 30%, with NOAA ARs
1917 and 1927 as main source candidates. The chances for an X-flare are
low. The proton flux measured by GOES, is below threshold levels. We are
currently inside a slow solar wind stream with a solar wind speed of 400
km/s, as observed by ACE. The interplanetary magnetic field currently is
weak with a maximum magnitude of 5 nT. Geomagnetic conditions are quiet
(K<3) to unsettled (K=3) and are expected to remain so for the next 48
hours.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 088, BASED ON 07 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 16 Dec 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 154
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 009
AK WINGST : 006
ESTIMATED AP : 006
ESTIMATED ISN : 080, BASED ON 18 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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22032. Ohio/Penn DX Special Bulletin #1141.1

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-18 11:36:12 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 22032 Message: 22032

SB DX @ WW < KB8NW $OPDX.1141.1
Ohio/Penn DX Special Bulletin No. 1141.1

The Ohio/Penn DX PacketCluster
DX Special Bulletin No. 1141.1
BID: $OPDX.1141.1
December 18, 2013
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

Thanks to the Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society, Northern Ohio DX Association, Ohio/Penn PacketCluster Network, AB5K & the AR TelNet Clusters Network OH2BN and QRZ.com for the following DX information.

Breaking News from the Land of Santa Claus

OF9X ☐ OLD FATHER 9 XMAS

Do you remember the Ho-Ho Santa Claus who penetrated the bands and talked to children all over the world from Santa☐s homeland - Finnish Lapland?

If you don't ☐ just refresh your memory at QRZ.com (www.qrz.com/db/OF9X). Santa's helpers are now whispering that the white-bearded Old Man will be on the air this year again. The focus is on this coming weekend to remind you of the fun period of Christmas and to create the right spirit for families with children throughout the world. Just as last year, this will happen on the radio waves and hopefully on a variety of bands. Not many people knew then that Santa can even send Morse code!

Already tonight and over the next few days, Santa will appear around 14.235 kHz while loading up his sleigh for the weekend's world tour. Just go for it and get involved ☐ let your children or grandchildren feel the true coming of Christmas and the presence of Santa Claus.

The upcoming Friday announcement may again include Santa's personal token to those who truly believe in Santa Claus.

Season's Greetings from the Land of Santa Claus!

December 18, 2013

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS FROM REPUBLIC OF KOSOVO

History was made on Saturday, 14 December 2013, when 52 young Kosovars aged between 18-21 years were seated in the amphitheater of the Technical University of Pristina to take the first ever amateur radio exam under

the new laws of the Republic of Kosovo.

To everyone's great delight, fifty (50) of them walked away as new amateur radio operators qualifying for a U.S. General level license. The administrators were not yet prepared to receive higher class exams as procedures are now in place only to take the equivalent of U.S. General or CEPT Novice exams. The procedural framework is set to follow the U.S. structure, and several ARRL manuals were given to the national association for Amateur Radio in Kosovo (SHRAK) as well as to the Telecom administrators - thanks to the ARRL for their kind support.

IARU Region 1 President Hans, PB2T, and Martti, OH2BH, of Project Goodwill Kosovo were working earlier on Saturday with the Exam Commission to help with adjustments made to new question pools. They also attended the opening ceremony and were present overseeing the actual exam. The administrators wished the students good luck and emphasized to the future hams their role as representatives of their newborn country.

It was an historical and emotional event in many ways, more than doubling the amateur radio population of the country. Another encouraging sign was that the young Kosovars were genuinely excited about this great passion, and many had already made numerous friends and QSOs using a virtual ham radio simulator -- www.hamsphere.com/ -- the potential of which should be fully explored as another tool providing fair start-up motivation.

Assessing the overall weekend, PB2T and OH2BH felt strongly that the whole amateur radio community ought to have the pleasure of welcoming these young people during this Christmas. As the exam/license cost is 50 EUR (70 USD) per person, a major expense for today's youth in Kosovo, radio amateurs worldwide are invited to help the new hams with this entry level cost, and in return obtain personal details and a picture of their "grandchild" in amateur radio.

PayPal is set up at www.qrz.com/db/Z60A for transfering potential funds. Fifteen (15) license donations are already pledged by organizations including Daily DX, Yasme Foundation, DX University, European DX Foundation, and ClubLog.

You have the option of giving a personal gift to catch the Christmas spirit and to become a godfather in Amateur Radio.

Please kindly inform Hans, PB2T at <president@...> or Martti, OH2BH at <oh2bh@...> of your desire to help.

Let your Happy Christmas be extended to these young Kosovars. Season's Greetings and Thank You!

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22033. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-18 15:30:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 22033

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:Issued: 2013 Dec 18 1234 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 31218
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 18 Dec 2013, 1212UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 18 Dec 2013 until 20 Dec 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Active conditions expected (A>=20 or K=4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 18 Dec 2013 10CM FLUX: 160 / AP: 003
PREDICTIONS FOR 19 Dec 2013 10CM FLUX: 160 / AP: 006
PREDICTIONS FOR 20 Dec 2013 10CM FLUX: 160 / AP: 013
COMMENT: The strongest solar flare reported during the past 24 hours was a
C4.0 flare (peaked at 23:29 UTC, on December 17). The flare seems to
originate from Catania sunspot region 91 (no NOAA number yet) located on
the east solar limb. New Catania sunspot group 87 (NOAA AR 1928) shows some
activity at the same moment. NOAA AR 1928 is growing and currently also has
the beta-gamma magnetic configuration of its photospheric field (just like
sunspot region 80 or NOAA AR 1917). The probability for C-flares is around
80%, M-flares around 30%, with Catania sunspot regions 80, 87 and 91 as
main source candidates. The chances for an X-flare are low. No Earth-
directed CMEs were observed. Solar wind conditions are stable with a solar
wind speed of 400 km/s and a magnitude of the interplanetary magnetic
field of 5 nT (observed by ACE). Geomagnetic conditions are quiet (K<3). A
glancing blow of the CME of December 16 might lead to unsettled or at most
active conditions at the end of December 19 (UTC time).
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 097, BASED ON 08 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 17 Dec 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 150
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 159
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 008
AK WINGST : 005
ESTIMATED AP : 004
ESTIMATED ISN : 091, BASED ON 14 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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22034. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-19 15:30:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 22034

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:Issued: 2013 Dec 19 1230 UTC
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# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 31219
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 19 Dec 2013, 1212UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 19 Dec 2013 until 21 Dec 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 19 Dec 2013 10CM FLUX: 155 / AP: 005
PREDICTIONS FOR 20 Dec 2013 10CM FLUX: 155 / AP: 006
PREDICTIONS FOR 21 Dec 2013 10CM FLUX: 155 / AP: 005
COMMENT: The strongest flares during the past 24 hours were two C1.8 and a
C1.3 events taking place in Catania sunspot region 90 (NOAA AR 1930),
located at 30 degrees east of the central meridian. No Earth-directed CME
was observed. The probability for C-flares remains high, around 80%, with
a small chance of M-flares, around 30%, from Catania sunspot regions 80,
87 and 90 (NOAA ARs 1917, 1928 and 1930). C flares are possible from
Catania sunspot 91 (NOAA AR 1931). The chances for an X-flare are very low.
We are currently in a slow solar wind stream with a solar wind speed of
350 km/s and a magnitude of the interplanetary magnetic field of 5 nT
(observed by ACE). Current geomagnetic conditions are quiet and are
expected to be quiet to unsettled (K<4) during the next 48 hours.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 099, BASED ON 08 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 18 Dec 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 149
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 156
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 008
AK WINGST : 003
ESTIMATED AP : 003
ESTIMATED ISN : 093, BASED ON 19 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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22035. Ohio/Penn DX Special Bulletin #1141.2

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-19 21:00:46 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 22035 Message: 22035

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Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

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From the Offices of Santa Claus
Lapland - The North of Finland

December 19, 2013

SANTA RADIO OF9X AT CHRISTMAS 2013

Santa always appears on short notice every year, and so does OF9X from the Land of Santa Claus. There is one thing that we cannot skip and that is Christmas. It is because of all those wonderful children of the world who persuade us busy people to settle down and remember that Christmas is after all for children - for whose who truly believe. So, take a moment and join us - welcome your children or grandchildren on a trip to Christmas world with the dedication it deserves.

Last year Santa became a figure in Amateur Radio with thousands of followers, and more than 800 Santa Awards were issued throughout the world. Santa Radio (OF9X) established itself also through the pages of QST, DL-QTC and Japanese CQ Magazine. Santa is here to stay.

Starting yesterday, Santa has been loading up his sleigh and will soon begin his journey across the world. It all starts from Finnish Lapland and ends up on Christmas Day in the United States. The main activity will be over this coming weekend before Christmas and, as Santa is busy, his elves will be much of the time at the controls of Santa Radio, OF9X. Just stop by and say hello. Santa should be around 25KHz up the band edge (CW) and 14.225 KHz or thereabout.

But something new has happened since last year - Santa has become a pro on Morse code.

In addition to SSB QSOs from a year ago or this year, you should now contact Santa also on CW to qualify for the 2013 Santa Cold Winter (CW)

Award. You should track your two (2) QSOs on ClubLog at www.qrz.com/db/OF9X and send your request by email to of9x@.... One of the QSOs should be from this year - 2013.

If you don't manage to work Santa on CW or SSB, or you only make one QSO this winter? No problem - not everything is lost as you have the option of compensating for the missing QSO by solving the Christmas Puzzle. Just send the details of your one 2013 QSO together with the two mystery words from the Puzzle, and you will qualify.

In case you need any assistance in filling in the puzzle, you may ask Santa for help - talk to OF9X and just point out the question line number and Santa will whisper to you the needed word. But only two lines at the most. On CW please just send "QSC NR". (Q-Santa-Claus)

While Santa Cold Winter Awards will be sent free of charge by email to those eligible, many have requested the Santa Award by post. Such a feature (OQRS)is now introduced as part of the log checking procedure on the OF9X QRZ.com page.

Santa's elves this year include Olli, OH0XX, Ville, OH1JD, Jaska, OH1TX, Rami, OH2BCI, Pertti, OH2BEE, Martti, OH2BH, Kati, OH2FKX (YL), Mari, OH2FPK (YL), Pekka, OH2TA, Pertti, OH2PM, Olli, OH6CT, Veijo, OH6KN, Kim, OH6KZP - and even the busy old man Santa himself with all the gifts he's got, now CW included.

Tap the Video and Audio button on the OF9X page at www.qrz.com/db/OF9X and you can occasionally see Santa and hear how your own signal sounds in the Land of Christmas.

Merry Christmas to all Amateur Radio operators and their children and grandchildren the world over. Enjoy your Christmas and share the joy of being together. Always!

Santa Claus, OF9X

YASME PRESS RELEASE (Dated December 18th) [edited]. "YASME FOUNDATION EXCELLENCE AWARDS -- The Yasme Excellence Award is awarded to individuals who, through their own service, creativity, effort and dedication, have made a significant contribution to amateur radio. The contribution may be in recognition of technical, operating or organizational achievement, as all three are necessary for amateur radio to grow and prosper. The Yasme Excellence Award is in the form of a cash grant and an individually-engraved crystal globe.
The Board of Directors of The Yasme Foundation is pleased to announce the award of the Yasme Excellence Awards for 2013 to the following individuals:
* Tom Roscoe, K8CX: Tom is recognized for his dedication to collecting and publishing current and historical photos and other documents on his Hamgallery Web site at <www.hamgallery.com>. Hamgallery is an

excellent amateur radio resource provided free of charge to the online community. Tom is also the manager of the W3 QSL Bureau, contributing many hours to ensuring cards are delivered properly and promptly.

* Lee Sawkins, VE7CC: Lee's software is widely used to manage and filter DX cluster spotting output. Without such filters, the output of the spotting network would be overwhelming and unusable. Lee's filtering software enables logging programs to integrate with the spotting network for contesting and general-purpose operation around the world. Lee supports the local DX and contesting community in British Columbia and will be representing Canada in WRTC 2014 as the Team Leader from the NA-12 region.

* John Devoldere, ON4UN: Along with building one of the premier amateur stations in the world, John's contributions to the DXing community have been extensive. Beginning with "80 Meter DXing," published in 1978, his book expanded to "Low-Band DXing," which in its fifth edition has become the most widely used handbook for operating and building antenna systems on the bands at 7 MHz and lower frequencies. The book contains important advances in HF amateur technology and encourages operation on these bands.

* Michael Carroll, N4MC; Eldon Lewis, K7LS; Dean Gibson, AE7Q; and Joseph Speroni, AH0A: These gentlemen have been instrumental in providing convenient access by amateurs to information maintained in FCC databases. In the case of N4MC, his Vanity HQ site became the single most popular resource for U.S. amateurs seeking to obtain a desired call sign, on-the-air identity being a fundamental element of amateur radio. He continues to maintain the National Silent Key Archive at <www.silentkeyhq.com>. K7LS and AE7Q have created similar online services that can be found at <www.radioqth.net> and <www.ae7q.com>. AH0A was a pioneer in accessing the FCC databases and providing useful summaries of licensing information. The services made freely available by these four individuals have greatly enriched and educated U.S. amateurs.

* Ken Claerbout, K4ZW: Ken is recognized for his work in support of the series of video seminars and lectures produced in association with the Potomac Valley Radio Club. Initially focused on contesting, the scope has broadened to include a variety of operating and technical topics. More importantly, the videos have encouraged others to publish similar "webinars" and archive them for viewing at any time.

* Ashraf Chaabane, 3V/KF5EYY: Ashraf has become an energetic representative on all fronts of amateur radio in Northern Africa and globally. He presents a positive role model for amateur radio across the entire Arab world with his enthusiasm and competitive spirit. His mission is to see the day when the administration in Tunisia issues him the first personal license in that country. Ashraf will also be representing Africa as the Team Leader for the African team in WRTC 2014.

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22036. ARLD051 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-19 23:48:25 UTC
From: jjreisert@...
Topic: 7944 Message: 22036

SB DX @ ARL $ARLD051
ARLD051 DX news

ZCZC AE51
QST de W1AW
DX Bulletin 51 ARLD051
>From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT December 19, 2013
To all radio amateurs

SB DX ARL ARLD051
ARLD051 DX news

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by NC1L, QRZ DX, the Weekly DX, the OPDX Bulletin, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, DXNL, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

LESOTHO, 7P. Mathias, DJ2HD and Ulmar, DK1CE will be QRV as 7P8DJ and 7P8CE, respectively, from December 22 to 24. Activity will be holiday style on the HF bands using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL to home calls.

EAST MALAYSIA, 9M6. Vincent, F4BKV is QRV as 9M6/F4BKV from Labuan Island, IOTA OC-133, until December 22. Activity is holiday style on the HF bands. QSL to home call.

DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF CONGO, 9Q. Look for 9Q0AR to be QRV from Kinshasa from December 23 to 27. QSL via operators' instructions.

BOTSWANA, A2. Mathias, DJ2HD, Ulmar, DK1CE and Wolfgang, DH3WO will be QRV as A25DJ, A25CE and A24WO, respectively, from December 24 to 30. Activity will be holiday style on the HF bands using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL to home calls.

UNITED ARAB EMIRATES, A6. Members of the Emirates Amateur Radio Society are QRV as A63RI from Dibba Rock Island, IOTA AS-124, until December 23. Activity is on the HF bands using CW and SSB. QSL via IZ8CLM.

CHILE, CE. Vlad, UA4WHX is QRV as CE9/UA4WHX from Navarino Island, IOTA SA-050. Activity is on the HF bands. His length of stay is unknown. QSL to home call.

ANTARCTICA. Felix, DL5XL is QRV as DP1POL from the Neumayer III base until February 8. Activity is in his spare time on the HF bands using mostly CW. QSL via DL1ZBO.

TEMOTU PROVINCE, H40. Sigi, DK9FN plans to be QRV as both H40FN and H40TA from Nendo Island, IOTA OC-100, from December 21 to January 10. Activity will be on 160 to 10 meters. QSL via operator's instructions.

ITALY, I. Special event station IY0CXII is QRV until the end of 2013 to commemorate the 112th anniversary of Marconi's first transatlantic transmission between Poldhu in Cornwall and Signal Hill on Newfoundland. QSL direct via IQ0RM.

SVALBARD, JW. Alex, PY2SEX will be QRV as JW/PY2SEX on December 24 and 25. Activity will be on the HF and 6 meter bands using mainly CW. QSL direct via DL1NX.

BONAIRE, PJ4. William, K9HZ is QRV as PJ4/K9HZ until January 1. Activity is on 80 to 6 meters. QSL to home call.

SABA, ST. EUSTATIUS, PJ5. Nao, K6NAO will be QRV as PJ5/K6NAO from St. Eustatius, IOTA NA-145, from December 22 to 29. Activity will be on 40 to 10 meters using CW, RTTY and PSK. QSL via JA1HGY.

SOUTH SHETLAND ISLANDS. Station RI20ANT is QRV from Bellingshausen station, King George Island, IOTA AN-010, until December 31. QSL via N2IEN.

POLAND, SP. Dionizy, SP6IEQ is QRV using special call sign 3Z13XMAS until December 30. QSL to home call.

EUROPEAN RUSSIA, UA. Special event station R7378TM is QRV from Ufa until February 5 during the Olympic Torch's relay through Russia. QSL via RM8W.

NAMIBIA, V5. Dietmar, DL3DXX is QRV as V5/DL3DXX from Outjo until January 8. Activity is on 160 to 10 meters using mainly CW. QSL to home call.

CHAGOS ISLANDS, VQ9. Jim, ND9M is QRV as VQ9JC from Dgar. Of late, he has been active on 30, 20 and 17 meters using mostly CW with some SSB and RTTY. His length of stay is unknown. QSL to home call.

HONG KONG, VR. Alberto, IV3TAN is QRV as VR2/IV3TAN from Pang Chau Island, IOTA AS-006. Activity is on the HF bands. His length of stay is unknown. QSL direct to home call.

CAMBODIA, XU. Pat, N2IEN is QRV as XU7AEV December 21. Activity is on 40 to 10 meters using CW. QSL direct to home call.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The ARRL CW Rookie Roundup, Russian 160-Meter Contest, NCCC RTTY Sprint, QRP CW Fox Hunt, NCCC Sprint, AGB-Party Contest, Feld Hell Sprint, OK DX RTTY Contest and the Croatian CW Contest are all on tap for this weekend. The Lighthouse Christmas Lights QSO Party runs from December 21 to January 1, 2014. The SKCC CW Sprint is scheduled for December 25. Please see December QST, page 66 and the ARRL and WA7BNM contest web sites for

details.
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22037. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-20 15:30:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 22037

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SIDC URSIGRAM 31220
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 20 Dec 2013, 1212UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 20 Dec 2013 until 22 Dec 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Active (M-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 20 Dec 2013 10CM FLUX: 155 / AP: 008
PREDICTIONS FOR 21 Dec 2013 10CM FLUX: 155 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 22 Dec 2013 10CM FLUX: 160 / AP: 007
COMMENT: Six C-flares and two M-flares were observed during the past 24
hours. The strongest flare was a M3.5 event taking place at the east limb,
from a region that currently is rotating to the front side of the solar
disk. There were no Earth-directed CME observed. The probability for
C-flares remains high, around 80%, from NOAA ARs 1917, 1920, 1928, 1930 and
a new region at about 40 degrees west of the central meridian. There is a
substantial chance (around 60%) for more M-flares, especially from the
unnumbered region currently at the east limb. An X-flare is possible but
unlikely. The proton flux for >10MeV protons, measured by GOES, currently
remains well below threshold levels. We are currently in a slow solar wind
stream with a solar wind speed of 350 km/s and a magnitude of the
interplanetary magnetic field of 5 nT (observed by ACE). Current
geomagnetic conditions are quiet to unsettled (Kp<4) and are expected to
remain so during the next 48 hours.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 097, BASED ON 15 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 19 Dec 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : 154
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 153
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 013
AK WINGST : 006
ESTIMATED AP : 005
ESTIMATED ISN : 096, BASED ON 15 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
19 2306 2319 2326 ////// M3.5 ///1934
END
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22038. ARLP052 Propagation de K7RA

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-20 15:32:22 UTC
From: jjreisert@...
Topic: 7958 Message: 22038

SB PROP @ ARL $ARLP052
ARLP052 Propagation de K7RA

ZCZC AP52
QST de W1AW
Propagation Forecast Bulletin 52 ARLP052
>From Tad Cook, K7RA
Seattle, WA December 20, 2013
To all radio amateurs

SB PROP ARL ARLP052
ARLP052 Propagation de K7RA

Geomagnetic conditions were more stable than expected last weekend, good news for participants in the ARRL 10 Meter Contest. The planetary A index on Friday through Sunday was 3, 16 and 7 and mid-latitude A index was just 3, 10 and 5.

Still, there were some scary moments, such as Saturday night in North America (0035 UTC December 15) when the Australian Space Forecast Centre issued this alert: "INCREASED GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY EXPECTED DUE TO CORONAL HOLE HIGH SPEED WIND STREAM FOR 15 DECEMBER 2013."

For the reporting week, Thursday through Wednesday, average daily sunspot numbers rose from 122.1 to 134.4, and average solar flux went from 162.4 to 159.7, compared to the previous period, December 5-11.

The latest prediction from USAF and NOAA has solar flux at 155, 150 and 145 on December 20-22, 140 on December 23-24, then 130 and 135 on December 25-26, 160 on December 27-28, 165 on December 29-31, 170 on January 1-2, 175 on January 3-6, 170 on January 7, then 165 on January 8-10, 160 on January 11 and 150 on January 12-13. Solar flux is expected to decline to a low of 135 on January 18-19, then rise to 175 at the end of January.

This solar flux prediction for the next seven days was revised downward significantly from yesterday's forecast in the ARRL Letter. Wednesday's forecast for December 20-26 was 160, 155, 150, 150, 155, 150 and 155. The latest forecast (Thursday's) shows predicted flux values of 155, 150, 145, 140, 140, 130 and 135 for those same seven days. The downward revision was 5 points on December 20-22, 10 points on December 23, 15 points on December 24, and 20 points on December 25-26.

The predicted planetary A index is 5 on December 20-24, 8 on December 25-26, then 10 and 8 on December 27-28, 5 on December 29 through January 2, then 10 and 20 on January 3-4, 5 on January 5-9, then 15 and 7 on January 10-11, then 5 after that until a more active period around the end of January.

At http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/ftpmenu/forecasts/45DF.html you can get a daily update of these forecasts, and lately the new one has been issued between 2119-2123 UTC. But the December 11 forecast came out at 0755 UTC on December 12, and the December 17 issue at 0051 UTC December 18. In the past (for years now) I don't recall it ever coming out as late as into the next UTC day.

F.K. Janda, OK1HH of the Czech Propagation Interest Group has a shorter than usual geomagnetic forecast this week, perhaps for 12 days of Christmas. He sees quiet conditions December 20-24, mostly quiet December 25, quiet to unsettled December 26, quiet to active December 27, quiet on December 28, mostly quiet December 29, and quiet again on December 30-31. Not the same twelve days as Christmastide or Twelvetide, which actually extend into January, but I thought it had a nice familiar ring to it.

Operators in the ARRL 10 Meter contest last weekend probably saw the best conditions for this event in over a decade, and all the reports sound very happy.

Larry Godek, W0OGH of Gilbert, Arizona did not participate this year, but did tune around and listen. Larry reports, "It was wonderfully busy. Signals all over the place and I'd think there will be a lot of good scores reported. You could sure tell that the band was good because the activity on other bands and modes was waaayyyy down! I'm really glad that the band was so good for this contest."

Jeff Hartley, N8II of Shepherdstown, West Virginia reported: "Conditions in this year's 10 meter contest were overall markedly improved from 2012 when the SFI hovered just under 100. Last year I made less than 10 total European QSOs, this year I worked 150 DLs, 61 Gs (not including the other British countries such as 14 GMs), 58 Is, and 52 Fs.

"The contest started without me, but at 0140Z there were still some far western USA stations like AZ in and out and some fairly loud deep South Americans in PY, LU, and CX on TE. The SAs were fairly hard to work and one other local agreed. The Geminids provided some good meteor scatter with active periods exceeding one minute and some stations like K0TT in MN and W0AIH in WI audible almost all of the time. Meteor scatter was also worked into most of New England and a few 4s in KY, AL, and GA as well was 0s in MO and IA.

"The EU opening Saturday beat me out of bed with strong signals from all over EU already in at 1240Z. Russians were not as loud as in Oct and early November, but I managed to log quite a few in all areas of

Russian EU including UA4 and even two very western UA9s in the log. Conditions were definitely above seasonal norms and the band stayed open to OK/OM/9A/S5 probably at least 90 minutes longer than normal probably due to some EU sporadic-E. Western EU also stayed in much later than normal, truly exceptional. Throughout the contest conditions to the south were very good allowing me to easily work those stations with a Force 12 yagi with 2 el on 10 meters. Conditions to CA were poor about 95-98 percent of the time when the band could have been open with best conditions as the band opened and again well past sunset when it closed. Skip was as short as ND/SD/KS/TX with CO and the Rocky mountain states being in the sweet spot for best propagation. AZ was the most active state from here with 73 QSOs, 2nd was TX with 61, most worked on Sunday. My CO contacts outnumbered CA 57 to 53, and UT equaled WA with 25.There must have been some destructive solar wind (OH2XX was loud around 20Z) with a lack of KL7s and a late JA opening Saturday, but once 10 opened the JAs had fairly good signals and there was an amazingly late secondary opening from about 0110 until past 0130Z when some big guns could still be worked. I heard NH2T calling someone, but only worked JA, UA0, and KL7 to the northwest Saturday evening. Several eastern VKs had good signals and were easy to work thru small pile-ups.

"Sunday conditions were pretty typical of an average mid winter day with EU opening about 1235Z, but still some Russians were worked with good conditions in the 13Z hour. A VU2 also called on CW with a solid S7 signal. By 1615Z much of EU was gone completely and just after 1700Z only Iberian peninsula stations (EA/CT) were left.

"Both days the solar activity was high enough to allow many backscatter QSOs out to the edges of the skip zone, but the weak spot was in 5 land. I never worked MS, worked LA only once, and a couple of big gun AR stations were just readable. The best direction was somewhat dependent on where the target station was beaming, but south was the better choice until late in the day when SW and W took over following the Sun. The JAs came in at a normal time around 2230Z with good signals and were fading but workable at 2330Z.

"Other than almost no sporadic-E and the frustration of missing many west coast stations, conditions could not have been much better. The highest scoring multi-op stations in the USA made over 3000 QSOs and D4C had over 4600 with about 3 hours to go. Next year will probably be way down from this 2nd peak of the cycle, but this current upsurge was poorly predicted, so we will have to wait and see."

Dan Bates, N5TM of Katy, Texas reported, "Yes, 10 meters was insane. Friday night was strange with band open until late after dark and short hops into Colorado and Nebraska. EU was open early both mornings with strong stations. Good openings the rest of the day to SA and PNW.

"I could hardly find a clear spot to CQ. Settled in on 28.158 and had nice runs."

Dan Eskenazi, K7SS of Seattle, Washington reported: "It was really good! Super fun."

Howard Lester, N7SO of Schuylerville, New York commented, "I had a lot of fun in the 10 meter contest. With the solar flux as high as it was, in just maybe three hours over the course of the two days I worked 27 countries, trying for one of each. Most were in Europe and South America. My antenna is a 140 foot long inverted-V, so who knows what directions it favors. The highlight was working club station WY7SS in the little town of Sundance, Wyoming where, in 1969 during a cross-country trip, I stayed overnight and, at the local gift shop, bought a leather belt with a longhorn buckle, and an agate ring. I wish I still had them."

With an identical call sign suffix, Fred Glenn, K9SO of Palatine, Illinois reported, "I only worked CW, but it was one of the best 'target rich' environments I've ever experienced on 10m. Reminded me of a busy Field Day on 40 meters with signals all across the band at maximum density. Both days saw great conditions into Europe and Northern Africa in the mid morning fading to primarily domestic NA and Caribbean by mid day and early afternoon. Later, we had big signals from some of the big guns in ZL and VK land, and also from Hawaii. Not much participation from those areas, at least on CW, so the QSO point counts contributed from there were low. Virtually nothing heard from Japan or South Africa on either day.

"I had put up a temporary dipole just for this event and was rewarded with 35 new band-countries and a 37 state count with about 7 hours of 'point and shoot' operating.

"Long live the twin peaks!"

If you would like to make a comment or have a tip for our readers, email the author at, k7ra@....

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service web page at http://arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals. For an explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin, see http://arrl.org/the-sun-the-earth-the-ionosphere. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at http://arrl.org/w1aw-bulletins-archive-propagation. More good information and tutorials on propagation are at http://k9la.us/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://arrl.org/propagation.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of ARRL bulletins are at http://arrl.org/bulletins.

Sunspot numbers for December 12 through 18 were 156, 141, 163, 158, 114, 91, and 118, with a mean of 134.4. 10.7 cm flux was 164.8, 163.1, 164.2, 156.2, 154.3, 159, and 156, with a mean of 159.7. Estimated planetary A indices were 3, 3, 16, 7, 7, 3, and 4, with a mean of 6.1. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 2, 3, 10, 5, 5, 3, and 3, with a mean of 4.4.
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**** DX INFORMATION ****
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* TO ALL OUR READERS *
* WARMEST THOUGHTS AND BEST WISHES *
* FOR A WONDERFUL HOLIDAY *
* AND A VERY HAPPY NEW YEAR *
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1A - Currently signed up for the 2-7 January 1A0KM activity from SMOM are IK0FVC, I0JBL, IK0FTA, IK0PRG, IW0BYL, I0ZY, I0GOJ, I0HCJ, IK0DWN, IK0XFD, IK5HHA,IZ0IEN, IZ0NRG, DK7PE, DJ9ZB, OH1VR, S53R and VE7NY. QSL via IK0FTA and LoTW, logsearch on Club Log and website at www.1a0km.org http://www.1a0km.org. [TNX I0JBL]
9Q - The Daily DX reports that Pascal, 9Q1CFC (ON4CFC) expects to activate 9Q0AR, the Amateur Radio Association of the Democratic Republic of Congo's club station, "next week, probably around 23-27 December".
A6 - Members of the Emirates Amateur Radio Society (EARS) were expected to be active as A63RI (www.mdxc.org/a63ri/ http://www.mdxc.org/a63ri/) from Dibba Rock (AS-124) on 19-23 December, with planned CW and SSB operations on all bands. However on 20 December, after a series of unsuccessful attempts (strong winds and rough seas), the team will still on the mainland and active as A62A/p from the shore of the Indian Ocean opposite Dibba Rock. Attempts at landing will continue on 21 December, A65BR reports, but due to the "extremely dangerous" nature of the rock, the "main goal is just to get small spot at the sea level". QSL via IZ8CLM.
DL - Stefan, DF8HS will be active from Fehmarn Island (EU-128) from 20 December to 16 January. QSL via home call, bureau preferred. [TNX rsgbiota.org http://rsgbiota.org]
J7 - John, AD8J will be active as J79JG from Dominica (NA-101) from 29 January to 7 February. He will operate mainly CW "when not scuba diving". QSL via home call and LoTW. [TNX AD8J]
OH - Once again OF9X (Old Father 9 Xmas) is active from the heart of Santa Claus Land, in the Lapland region of Finland. The main activity will be over this coming weekend (21-22 December) "to remind you of the fun period of Christmas and to create the right

spirit for families with children throughout the world". QSL via
OH2BH. Look for OF9X around 25kHz up the band edge (CW) and 14225
kHz or thereabout. In addition to SSB QSOs from a year ago or this
year, you should now contact Santa also on CW to qualify for the
2013 Santa Cold Winter (CW) Award. You should track your two QSOs
on Club Log and send your request by email to of9x[@]sral.fi http://sral.fi. One
of the QSOs should be from this year. Further information on the
award and how to compensate for a missing QSO can be found at
www.qrz.com/db/OF9X http://www.qrz.com/db/OF9X
OZ - Special event station 5P14EHC will be active on 1-31 January to
bring attention to the European Men's Handball Championship, which
will take place in Denmark between the 12th and the 26th. QSL via
OZ0J (direct only: please use the OQRS on Club Log for bureau
cards), LoTW and eQSL. Information on the relevant award can be
found at www.5p14ehc.dk http://www.5p14ehc.dk [TNX OZ4FF]
PJ4 - William, K9HZ will be active as PJ4/K9HZ from Bonaire (SA-006)
from 20 December to 4 January. He will be QRV on 80-6 metres using
portable beam antennas and wires. QSL via K9HZ (direct only), LoTW
and eQSL. [TNX rsgbiota.org http://rsgbiota.org]
PY - Raimundo, PT7CG and and Renner, PY7RP will be active as ZX8DX from
Ilha Grande de Santa Isabel (SA-025) on 26-30 December [425DXN
1180]. They plan to operate SSB, CW and digital modes on 80-10
metres. QSL via PT7CG. [TNX PT7CG]
SP - Special stations HF110RAEM (15-22 December, QSL via SP2FAP) and
SO110RAEM (23-31 December, QSL via SP2FAP) are/will be active to
commemorate the 100th anniversary of the birth of Ernst T. Krenkel
(RAEM). On 23-31 December HF110RAEM will be operated by SP3GVX,
who will handle the QSL cards for contacts made during that time
frame.
SP - Several special event stations are expected to be active to
commemorate the 120th anniversary of the birth of St. Maximilian
Maria Kolbe (SP3RN) and the 75th anniversary of Radio
Niepokalanow: 3Z120SMK will be QRV on 8-28 January 2014, while
HF0RN, HF120MK, SN0MMK, SN0RN, SN120MK, SN120MMK and SN75RN will
be active from 8 January to 14 August. In addition, II2SMK
(operated by IZ2SOG) will also be active on 8-28 January. Further
information can be found at http://stmaximiliansp3rn. blogspot.com
http://stmaximiliansp3rn.blogspot.com
[TNX SP9JPA]
YB - The IOTA expedition to Pulau Kisar (OC-272, new one for IOTA)
[425DXN 1179] has been delayed by bad weather, and the new flight
schedule is for Budi, YF1AR and Imam, YB4IR to depart Ambon on 22
December at 10.30 local time (01.00 UTC). The return flight is
still confirmed on 25 December at 13.00 local time (04.00 UTC).
Look for YF1AR/8 and YB4IR/8 to be active on 40-10 metres SSB, CW
and the digital modes with two transceivers running 100 watts. QSL
YF1AR/8 via N2OO (logsearch on Club Log and OQRS on
http://df3cb.com/oqrs/n2oo/ http://df3cb.com/oqrs/n2oo/), QSL YB4IR/8 via home call (OQRS
on
Club Log). [TNX YF1AR]

YV - Roberto, YV5IAL will be active as CE2/YV5IAL from Chile on 2-30 January. He plans to operate PSK31 daily on 14070.15 and occasionally on 10, 15 and 40 metres PSK31 and SSB. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX YV5IAL]
ZD9 - Silvano, I2YSB and the Italian DXpedition Team (www.i2ysb.com/idt http://www.i2ysb.com/idt)
announce that they will be active on all bands and modes as ZD9TT from Tristan da Cunha for three weeks in the period September-October 2015. Further information will be vailable in due course. [TNX IK7JWY]

CARIBBEAN TOUR ---> Ted SP3IPB, Mek SP7VC and Kate SQ7OYL will visit and operate CW and SSB on the HF bands and 6 metres from the Caribbean between 11 and 30 January:
11-12 January Martinique FM/SP7VC, FM/SP3IPB, FM/SQ7OYL
15-16 January Dominica J79VC, J79PB
17-18 January Guadeloupe FG/SP7VC, FG/SP3IPB, FG/SQ7OYL
18-22 January Montserrat VP2MPG, VP2MTK
21 January Antigua V26/SP7VC, V26/SP3IPB
23-29 January Dominica J79VC, J79PB
A beacon from Dominica (J79VC/B) and Montserrat (VP2MPG/B) will be active On 50095 kHz. QSL via home calls. Further information can be found at www.sp7vc.dxing.pl http://www.sp7vc.dxing.pl [TNX SP7VC]

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CDXC DX MARATHON CHALLENGE ---> Starting in 2014, and running from 1 January to 31 December each year the Chiltern DX Club DX Marathon Challenge is an annual competition open to any licensed amateur world-wide. However, only fully paid up members of the Chiltern DX Club (www.cdxc.org.uk http://www.cdxc.org.uk) are
eligible to receive Awards. Its purposes are to promote DXing and recognize achievement in DXing over the year, and to promote the uploading of logs to Club Log (which leads to better statistical information for us all). Detailed information can be found on the Chiltern DX Club's website (navigate from Home page > CDXC Awards > DX Marathon).

CE9/UA4WHX ---> Vlad is currently active from Isla Navarino (SA-050), which DXCC wise counts for Chile (neither for South Shetlands nor for Antarctica). Length of stay unknown. See http://www.qrz.com/db/UA4WHX http://www.qrz.com/db/UA4WHX for
QSLling instructions.

DXPEDITION OF THE YEAR POLL ---> The DX World.net 2013 DXpedition of the Year poll is now open at http://dx-world.net/ http://dx-world.net/. "What a great 2013 it's been

for DXpeditions. The team at DX World found it incredibly difficult to agree and list the final 25 DXpeditions. Also, this year, unlike the last two years, we are limiting the votes to only two per person. We believe this to be fair considering it could be that you have an absolute favourite DXpedition, followed by a second, which perhaps helped fill those important band points". The outcome will be available immediately after the poll closes, i.e. at 21 UTC on 6 January 2014 - cast your votes!

HEARD ISLAND EXPEDITION DEFINED ---> Following his visit to the Australian Antarctic Division offices in Hobart, Tasmania, Expediton Organizer Dr. Robert Schmieder (KK6EK) made the final decisions that will define the expedition.
The expedition is scheduled for January 2015. It will use the Belgian vessel "Cdt. Fourcault", taking a team of 35 persons. The entire journey will take about 50 days, with one month at the island.
The team will be made up of several sub-teams (mountaineering, cryptobiology, marine science, communications, documentation), each with its own goals. Their activities will be presented on separate real-time interactive websites. The communications team will use amateur radio to make up to 150,000 individual contacts worldwide using the callsign VK0EK, and provide real-time reporting of data and images to the Internet, including automatically updating websites that display the activities of the team. For further information, please visit the expedition website (www.heardisland.org http://www.heardisland.org).

KOSOVO ---> On 14 December 52 young Kosovars aged between 18-21 years took the first ever Amateur Radio exam under the new laws of the Republic of Kosovo. Fifty of them walked away as new Amateur Radio operators qualifying for a U.S. General level license (procedures are now in place only to take the equivalent of U.S. General or CEPT Novice exams). As the exam/license cost is 50 EUR (70 USD) per person, a major expense for today's youth in Kosovo, radio amateurs worldwide are invited to help the new hams with this entry level cost. See www.qrz.com/db/Z60A http://www.qrz.com/db/Z60A for further information - "you
have the option of giving a personal gift to catch the Christmas spirit and to become a godfather in Amateur Radio". Please inform Hans, PB2T (president[@]eudxf.eu http://eudxf.eu) or Martti, OH2BH (oh2bh[@]sral.fi http://sral.fi) of your desire to
help.

QSL ZS2DL ---> As of 1 January 2014, NI5DX will no longer be the QSL manager for ZS2DL, as Donovan has decided that he will handle his own QSLing. NI5DX will continue to answer any QSL requests for contacts prior to 1 January 2014 until 1 March. At that time, ALL requests for a ZS2DL card must go direct to ZS2DL. All bureau cards must go to ZS2DL as NI5DX will no longer reply to bureau cards after 1 January. [TNX Golist]

QSL VIA RN3RQ ---> Sergey "Jack", RN3RQ is the new QSL manager for RA2FDX, N4AF and NY4A. QSL direct (Sergey B. Yatskiv, P.O. Box 87, Krasnogorsk, 143406, Russia) or bureau and LoTW; OQRS on Club Log. Jack will also be the QSL manager for RJ22DX (Kaliningrad) and RG22RQ (European Russia), which

will be active from 1 January to 31 March 2014 to celebrate the Sochi Winter Olympics.

T32: STARBUCK AND FLINT ISLANDS 2014 ---> DX World (http://dx-world.net/ http://dx-world.net/)
reports that "a group of three operators plan to be active from Starbuck Island (OC-280) and Flint Island (OC-282) next March 2014. The cost of the ship is $50,000 for a journey of about 20 days including 1-2 days activation in Starbuck and 3 days in Flint. In order to reduce costs the team are looking for two more hams who are willing to join them". If interested in participating in this IOTA adventure, please contact DX World.

WRTC2014: ONSITE REFEREES ANNOUNCED ---> WRTC2014, Inc., host of the 2014 World Radiosport Team Championship (WRTC), is pleased to announce the fifty-nine referees that will be monitoring the competing teams during the competition (12-13 July 2014):
9A4M Mate Botica OH1RX Jouko Hayrynen
CX7TT Tom Morton PA3AAV Gert Meinen
DL2OBF Heinrich Langkopf PY8AZT Luc Moreira
EA5RS Juan M. Chazarra RA3AUU Igor "Harry" Booklan
ES5RY Toomas Soomets RA9USU Dmitry Zhikharev
F6BEE Jacques Saget RW4WR Alex Orlov
G3SXW Roger Western S50XX Kristjan Kodermac
G4BUO Dave Lawley S53R Robert Kasca
GM4AFF Stewart Cooper SM6LRR Mats Strandberg
HA1AG Zoli Pitman SP4Z Wieslaw Kosinski
HA3NU Lazlo Weisz UA9MA Gennady I Kolmakov
HA6ND Gyorgy Valoczi UT5UGR Dmitry Stashuk
HB9CAT Marco Zollinger UT7QF Igor Syerikov
IT9GSF Fabio Grisafi VA2WA Victor Androsov
JH4RHF Jun Tanaka VE3EY Nick Lekic
K4BAI John T. Laney III VE3RA Ed Kulchenko
K4RO Kirk Pickering VE3XB Yuri Romanov
K5GN David McCarty VK2IA Bernd Laenger
K5GO Stan Stockton VK4EMM John Loftus
K5WA Bob Evans W0YK Ed Muns
K6NA Glenn Rattmann W4PA Scott E. Robbins
K7GK Denis Pochuev W6OAT Charles K. "Rusty" Epps
KC7V Mike Fulcher YL2KL Girts Budis
LY7Z Andrius Ignotas YO9GZU Tiberiu "Tibi" Tebeica
LZ1CNN/T6LG Ilian Lazarov Gadzhev YU1EA/YT8A Dusan Ceha
LZ2HM Andrey Stefanov Sachkov YU1LA Ivan Mastilovic
N3RD David Hawes ZL3CW/F2CW Jacques Calvo
N5AW Marvin Bloomquist ZS4TX Bernie van der Walt
NF4A Charles Wooten ZS6EZ Chris R. Burger
OE6MBG Michael S. Schwab
See www.wrtc2014.org/qualifying/ referee-selection/ http://www.wrtc2014.org/qualifying/referee-selection/ for an explanation of the referee qualifications and application process.

YASME EXCELLENCE AWARDS ---> In 2008 The Yasme Foundation (www.yasme.org http://www.yasme.org)
established the Yasme Excellence Awards, to be awarded to individuals who, through their own service, creativity, effort and dedication, have made a significant contribution to amateur radio. The contribution may be in recognition of technical, operating or organizational achievement, as all three are necessary for amateur radio to grow and prosper. The Yasme Excellence Award is in the form of a cash grant and an individually-engraved crystal globe. The latest recipients, announced on 19 December, are:
* Tom Roscoe, K8CX: Tom is recognized for his dedication to collecting and publishing current and historical photos and other documents on his Hamgallery web site at www.hamgallery.com http://www.hamgallery.com. Hamgallery is an excellent
amateur radio resource provided free of charge to the online community. Tom is also the manager of the W3 QSL Bureau, contributing many hours to ensuring cards are delivered properly and promptly.
* Lee Sawkins, VE7CC: Lee's software is widely used to manage and filter DX cluster spotting output. Without such filters, the output of the spotting network would be overwhelming and unusable. Lee's filtering software enables logging programs to integrate with the spotting network for contesting and general-purpose operation around the world. Lee supports the local DX and contesting community in British Columbia and will be representing Canada in WRTC 2014 as the Team Leader from the NA-12 region.
* John Devoldere, ON4UN: Along with building one of the premier amateur stations in the world, John's contributions to the DXing community have been extensive. Beginning with "80 Meter DXing," published in 1978, his book expanded to "Low-Band DXing," which in its fifth edition has become the most widely used handbook for operating and building antenna systems on the bands at 7 MHz and lower frequencies. The book contains important advances in HF amateur technology and encourages operation on these bands.
* Michael Carroll, N4MC; Eldon Lewis, K7LS; Dean Gibson, AE7Q; and Joseph Speroni, AH0A: these gentlemen have been instrumental in providing convenient access by amateurs to information maintained in FCC databases. In the case of N4MC, his Vanity HQ site became the single most popular resource for U.S. amateurs seeking to obtain a desired call sign, on-the-air identity being a fundamental element of amateur radio. He continues to maintain the National Silent Key Archive at www.silentkeyhq.com http://www.silentkeyhq.com. K7LS and AE7Q have created similar online services
that can be found at www.radioqth.net http://www.radioqth.net and www.ae7q.com http://www.ae7q.com. AH0A was a pioneer
in accessing the FCC databases and providing useful summaries of licensing information. The services made freely available by these four individuals have greatly enriched and educated U.S. amateurs.
* Ken Claerbout, K4ZW: Ken is recognized for his work in support of the series of video seminars and lectures produced in association with the Potomac Valley Radio Club. Initially focused on contesting, the scope has broadened to include a variety of operating and technical topics. More importantly, the videos have encouraged others to publish similar "webinars" and archive them for viewing at any time.

* Ashraf Chaabane, 3V/KF5EYY: Ashraf has become an energetic representative on all fronts of amateur radio in Northern Africa and globally. He presents a positive role model for amateur radio across the entire Arab world with his enthusiasm and competitive spirit. His mission is to see the day when the administration in Tunisia issues him the first personal license in that country. Ashraf will also be representing Africa as the Team Leader for the African team in WRTC 2014.

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QSLs received direct or through managers: 3B9FR, 3DA0PW, 5A1AL, 5B4AJC, 5H1DX, 5H3EE, 5J0R, 5X8EW, 6Y5/G3SWH, 7X2RD, 8R1A, 9L1BTB, A92HK, BY7RA/7 (AS-139)CM5FZ, CN8IG, CP1/UA4WHX, CY0P, D44AC, D44TS, D44TXT, E44PM, EG3INT/7 (EU-152), EK7DX, EX8M, FO/KH0PR (OC-094, OC-131, OC-238, and OC-114), FR4NT, FS/AA4VK, FS/N0TG, FW5JJ, G100C, GB75FOC, GC4FOC/p, GJ100C, GN4FOC, GS4FOC, GT4FOC, GU4CHY, H44KW, HP0INT/1 (NA-072), HP0INT/2 (NA-170 and NA-202), HP0INT/3 (NA-071), HP0INT/4 (NA-088), HP0INT/9 (NA-203), HP1/AI5P, HS0ZKX, IA0MZ, J87GU, JA7SGV/6V, KG4HF, KL7KY, KL7RRC/p (NA-019), OA4/UA4WHX, OD5NJ/p (AS-108), OW75FOC, OX5YL, P29VNX, PJ2/DL2EVB, PJ2/K5JP, PJ2/NT5V, PJ4/K4BAI, PJ4A, SU9VB, T32AU, T6T, T77C, TF4X, TM0SM (EU-081), TO2TT, TU5NK, TU5XV, TX5RV, V31MA, V31ZM, V47T, V51YJ, VK0GB, VK9LL, VP2MMM, VP8DMN, XV2V40J, YB3MM/2 (OC-186), YB3MM/4 (OC-262), YB3MM/p (OC-197), YD1NAA/5, YE30P (OC-034), YE3J, YN2PX, YS1/AI5P, ZA/UA4WHX, ZC4LI, ZD8JR, ZD8O, ZM90DX.

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22040. 425 DX Calendar - #1181

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Topic: 22040 Message: 22040

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22041. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-21 15:30:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 22041

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:Issued: 2013 Dec 21 1327 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 31221
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 21 Dec 2013, 1312UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 21 Dec 2013 until 23 Dec 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 21 Dec 2013 10CM FLUX: 148 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 22 Dec 2013 10CM FLUX: 148 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 23 Dec 2013 10CM FLUX: 148 / AP: 007
COMMENT: Eight C-flares were observed during the past 24 hours, all
originating from Catania sunspot region 87 (NOAA AR 1928). NOAA AR 1934
(no Catania number yet) shows some growth. There were no Earth-directed
CME observed. The probability for C-flares is around 70% and for
M-flares around 30%, from NOAA ARs 1928, 1930 and 1934. An X-flare is
possible but unlikely. We are currently in a slow solar wind stream with
a solar wind speed of 350 km/s and a magnitude of the interplanetary
magnetic field of maximally 6 nT (observed by ACE). Current geomagnetic
conditions are quiet to unsettled (Kp<4) and are expected to remain so
during the next 48 hours.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 097, BASED ON 04 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 20 Dec 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 149
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 009
AK WINGST : 007
ESTIMATED AP : 005
ESTIMATED ISN : 099, BASED ON 19 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
20 1135 1157 1207 ////// M1.6 ///1934
END
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22042. Ice storm and antennas

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-21 18:41:40 UTC
From: John Geiger
Topic: 22042 Message: 22042

Hope everyone's antennas are making it through the ice storm ok, or for those of you in the northeast, good luck with it hits. Here in Lawton, OK we have between 1/4 to 1/2 inch of ice on stuff. The MFJ 6 meter elements are sagging pretty good, but they are very flexible and will snap right back after the melting. The 2m beam looks ok so far. The streets are ok but a few tree branches are down as well.

73 John AF5CC

22043. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-22 15:30:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 22043

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:Issued: 2013 Dec 22 1245 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 31222
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 22 Dec 2013, 1212UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 22 Dec 2013 until 24 Dec 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Active (M-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 22 Dec 2013 10CM FLUX: 140 / AP: 002
PREDICTIONS FOR 23 Dec 2013 10CM FLUX: 138 / AP: 006
PREDICTIONS FOR 24 Dec 2013 10CM FLUX: 138 / AP: 015
COMMENT: Several C-flares and two M-flares were observed during the past 24
hours, many occurring short after each other. Catania sunspot region 87
(NOAA AR 1928) is most active. The probability for C-flares remains high,
around 80%, and for M-flares around 40%. An X-flare is possible but
unlikely. Solar wind speed remains around 350 km/s and the magnitude of
the interplanetary magnetic field is still around 5 nT, as observed by
ACE. Current geomagnetic conditions are quiet (Kp<4) and are expected to
remain so during the next 48 hours. Towards the end of day 3, geomagnetic
conditions might become unsettled to active, due to the effects of a
coronal hole, which is currently at the central meridian and a latitude of
25 to 50 degrees.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 072, BASED ON 07 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 21 Dec 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 144
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 003
AK WINGST : 002
ESTIMATED AP : 002
ESTIMATED ISN : 097, BASED ON 07 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
22 0805 0811 0818 S20W49 M1.9 SF 87/1928
22 0833 0837 0841 S17W52 M1.1 SF 87/1928
END
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22044. off topic

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-23 01:08:53 UTC
From: dale cole
Topic: 7597 Message: 22044

With many of you savoy in the digital modes, what is the most popular form to use for DX'ing, and possible contesting?
I use a TS-570, and no vhf or uhf. I have posted this on several boards, so please excuse the dupes. Deciding what to do with my Santa bucks
Please reply to my personal email addy to keep clutter off the board.
TIA
Dale K8TS
dchamguy <at>att<dot>net

22045. Re: [DX-IS] off topic

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-23 02:20:29 UTC
From: GARY HUBER
Topic: 7597 Message: 22045

PSK-31 is fairly easy to get into. Use USB, WinWarbler (DXLabs Suite) and a RIGblaster nomic or similar. RTTY (AFSK) use LSB, WinWarbler (DXLabs Suite) and a RIGblaster nomic or similar. PSK-31 is generally 30W or less both ends. RTTY can go to 1500 W out IF you have the radio and amp to handle it.

73 ES DX,
Gary -- AB9M

From: dale cole
Sent: Sunday, December 22, 2013 7:08 PM
To: N3FJP_Software_Users@yahoogroups.com ; dx-is@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] off topic

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Dale K8TS
dchamguy <at>att<dot>net

22046. RE: off topic

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-23 12:35:57 UTC
From: <kb1jzu@...>
Topic: 7597 Message: 22046

Dale For DXing it is almost exclusively RTTY. PSK & now JT65 do pop up occasionally but they are the exception. This is mainly due to the easy of running pileups and the power that can be applied.
If you rig supports it FSK RTTY it is the cleanest and easiest to set up....but the audio equivalent AFSK is just as good if it is set up correctly.
Check out Don Hill's site AA5AU. He is the master of RTTY Contesting and lots of setup information exists there.
Enjoy, it is one of my favorite modes..... 315 present DXCC countries so far.

Bob KB1JZU

22047. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1142

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-23 13:26:50 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 22047 Message: 22047

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Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
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*** SPECIAL NOTE FROM EDITOR (Tedd, KB8NW): My family (wife/OPDX's chief proof-reader Linda, son Teddy [TJ] and his wife Jessi, daughter Katie and her husband Kevin and son Lliam), and I (KB8NW) would like to wish all DXers, Contesters and OPDX readers a very "Happy Holiday, Merry Christmas and Season's Greetings". Thanks to the many individuals who sent holiday wishes to my family and me.....73 and Have a Great Holiday de Tedd KB8NW

DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 15th-December, through Sunday, 22nd-December, there were 222 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B6, 3B8, 3B9, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5A, 5B, 5N, 5R, 5T, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9M6, 9Q, 9U, 9V, 9X, 9Y, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C5, C6, C9, CE, CE0Y, CE0Z, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E6, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FH, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FW, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H40, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J6, J7, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JY, K, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ7, PY, PZ, S2, S5, S7, S9, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TR, TT, TU, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK9N, VP2V, VP5, VP8, VP8/h, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XW, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZD7, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS, ZS8

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

1A, SOVEREIGN MILITARY ORDER OF MALTA (Update). An "international team" of operators led by Francesco, IK0FVC, will be active as 1A0KM from the Sovereign Military Order of Malta (SMOM) between January 2-7th (2014). At present time, operators will be Francesco/IK0FVC, Luciano/I0JBL, Sergio/IK0FTA, Roberto/IK0PRG, Michele/IW0BYL, Gianfranco/I0ZY, Antonio/I0GOJ, Fabrizio/I0HCJ, Marco/IK0DWN, Giordano/IK0XFD, Gianluca/IK5HHA, Cristiano/IZ0IEN, Andrea/IZ0NRG, Rudi/DK7PE, Franz/DJ9ZB, Seppo/OH1VR, Robert/S53R and Sandro/VE7NY. QSL via Sergio, IK0FTA, and also LoTW. 1A0KM operation supports the DX-Code of conduct. Online log facility will be also available. Look for more details to be forthcoming. Also, a Web page is now up and running, but with limited info at: http://www.1a0km.org

2014 N7QT DXPEDITIONS. Rob, N7QT, will be active during the new year from a few locations. He announces on QRZ.com his upcoming DXpeditions:
April 2014 - San Andres; callsign HK0/N7QT; 80-10m using CW, SSB and the Digital modes.
October 2014 - Austral Islands; callsign TX5D; holiday style DXpedition; primary focus on 80/40m using CW and SSB; see OPDX.1125
November 2014 - Manihiki Island, North Cooks (E51); 80-10m using CW, SSB and the Digital modes.
QSL via his home callsign, direct (SASE, IRC OR 2 USDs), LoTW, eQSL or by the Bureau.

3C0 & 3C4, ANNOBON ISLAND AND EQUATORIAL GUINEA. Elmo, EA5BYP, is planning a trip to Annobon Island (AF-039) to be active as 3C0BYP, and a trip to Bioko Island (AF-010), Equatorial Guinea, to be active as 3C4BYP. Specific dates have not been announced yet, but the operations will happen soon. Stay tuned! QSL via his home callsign.

5Z, KENYA. Marc, ON4EZ, will be active as 5Z4/homecall from between December 22nd and January 6th. No other details were provided.

7P, LESOTHO. Ewald, DK3ID/OE8IDK, will be active as 7P8ID from Lesotho between February 11-16th. Activity will be on 40-6 meters SSB using 100 watts. QSL via DK3ID or OE8IDK direct.

8Q, MALDIVES. Kasimir, DL2SBY, will be active as 8Q7KB from two of Maldives' islands in 2014. Activity will be on 20-10 meters including 17/12 meters and possibly 30 meters using CW and SSB. His schedule is as follows:
February 12-18th - Ziyaaraifushi Island (AS-013)
February 18-24th - Fihahohi Island (AS-013)
His equipment will be a FT900AT with an ACOM 1010 amp (600w) into a triple-leg antenna for 20-10m. He will upload the log onto ClubLog. The QSL cards will be printed as soon as possible. QSL via DL2SBY, by the Bureau, direct and as well as through PayPal requests.

C9, MOZAMBIQUE. Karl, ZS6ALB, is once again active as C91KHN from Mozambique. The length of his stay is not known at this time. Activity has been

on 10 and 6 meters. He was using his new contest callsign C91C in the 10 meter contest last weekend. QSL via his home callsign direct (preferred). Log will be uploaded to LoTW and ClubLog.

EA, SPAIN (Satellites). Mark, N8MH, will be active as EA4/N8MH from Madrid (WW Loc. IN80) between December 24th and January 2nd, while on a family holiday. It is possible that he will be active on FO-29, VO-52, AO-73, SO-50, and AO-7 (?) satellites. He states, " This is a very low priority part of the trip, and I can't predict when I'll be able to get on the air (limitations of being in the city with poor view to sky, etc.). But I am going to try at least a few passes one way or another! .... My station will be very simple--FT-817, Elk antenna, and a hand mic. Working half-duplex on the SSB birds will be very challenging for me! I am spoiled by fully automated station operations."

FM/TO5, MARTINIQUE (NA-107). Al, F5VHJ, will once again be active as TO5A, from FM5BH's QTH during the ARRL International DX SSB Contest (March 1-2nd) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via F5VHJ, direct or by the Bureau. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW.

FT5Z, AMSTERDAM ISLAND (Press Release: Dec. 21, 2013): "Amsterdam Island DXpedition - All the equipment the Amsterdam Island DXpedition team shipped to New Zealand is now aboard the MV Braveheart. All our documentation ☐ sanitation inspections, hull inspections, de-ratting certification, and bio-security clearance ☐ has been completed.
The vessel will be fueled for its voyage to Australia on December 23rd.
On December 24th, fresh produce for the initial voyage will be taken aboard.
The crew will celebrate Christmas Day at home with their families and then on December 26th, at 1400 local time, during high slack water, the vessel will sail for Fremantle, Australia.
The Braveheart will sail around the north cape of New Zealand's north island, across the Tasman Sea, across the Great Australian Bight, and up the west coast of Australia to the port of Fremantle. Additional provisions will be taken aboard in Australia and the vessel will be re-fueled for the voyage to Amsterdam Island and back.
FT5ZM team members will begin arriving in Fremantle on January 9th. There will be team meetings, toasts, and shopping trips. Our good VK6 friends have acquired some additional supplies for us and we will take these aboard. The team will board the Braveheart on January 14th, configure our maritime mobile station, and sail for Amsterdam Island on January 15th.
You will likely hear from us one more time before we leave our respective countries and fly to Australia. However, as always, thank you to the amateur and DX community for your support and interest. Visit our website frequently for late breaking news and updates. We've not yet reached our financial goals, but with your continued support, that goal is in sight.
73 ☐ Ralph ☐ K0IR"

IOTA NEWS.....
AF-032. (Update) A group of Italian operators will be active as 5I0DX and 5H3AN from an Italian village on the beach of Kiwengwea on

Zanzibar Island (WWF 5HFF-003) between February 1-10th (2014). Activity will be on all HF bands, including the 30/17/12 meter bands, using SSB, PSK and RTTY. Operators mentioned are Fred/ IK7JWX, Leopoldo/I8LWL, Stefano/IK6JRI, Ciclane/IZ6JOD (YL), Ampelio/IS0AGY, Vincenzo/IZ8LFI and Elvira/IV3FSG (YL). More details and a Web page will be announced. It was announced earlier that this DXpedition will also be a humanitarian operation with donations of medicines to the "Italy Day Hospital". QSL via IK7JWX, direct, by the Bureau or LoTW. They are looking for sponsors for donations to Radio Club of Tanzania and Italy Day Hospital of Zanzibar : 1/2 Poste Pay Card (Visa Electron) nr. 4023600649350826 to Alfredo De Nisi - Vico della Cavallerizza, 4/D-73100 LECCE.

AS-124. (CANCELLED) During the last few days, operators of the A63RI tried to land on the island of Dibba Rock, but could not because of winds and waves. Another attempt -- "possibly" in January. For updates, watch: http://www.mdxc.org/a63ri

OC-272. (Correction) Last week we misunderstood Budi's, YF1AR, E-mail sent to OPDX and reported that Kisar Island was postponed. This is not the case. Instead, operators Budi/YF1AR and Imam/YF4IR will still be active as homecall/8 from Kisar Island (LH IDO-376) by the time you read this until December 25th. However, Joppy/ YB8XM is the operator who had to "postpone due to a new work assignment". For more details and updates, visit the Web site at: http://www.yf1ar.com/2013/12/kisar-island-oc-272-new-iota.html

SA-025. (Update) Operators Raimundo/PT7CG and Renner/PY7RP will be active as ZX8DX from Pedra do Sal Beach on Grande de Santa Isabel Island between December 26-30th. Raimundo informs OPDX that they are planning to operate on 80-10 meters, including 30/17/12 meter bands using the Digital modes, SSB and CW. They will use 2 FT-450 with vertical antennas and 100W power and a "Digikeyer II Microham". QSL via PT7CG.

SA-050. Well known DXer/Traveler Vladimir, UA4WHX, is now active as CE9/UA4WHX from Navarino Island. The length of his stay is not known. Activity has been on 20/15/12/10 meters CW. QSL via info on QRZ.com.

J3, GRENADA. Ulf, DL5AXX, will once again be active as J38XX between February 6-18th, 2014. Activity will be focused on the lower bands, but also in the ARRL International DX CW Contest (February 15-16th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via his home callsign. Online-QSL-Requests can be obtained at: http://www.dl5axx.de/dxlog

KP2, U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS. John, K3TEJ, is now active as KP2/K3TEJ until December 30th. Activity will be on HF bands CW only. John is"usually" on 160m and 30/17/12 meter bands. QSL via K3TEJ.

LI/LJ/LM1814, NORWAY (Special Prefixes). Tom, LA4LN, NRRL HF Traffic Manager, informs OPDX: "During all of the year 2014, Norwegian LA stations may use the LI (Lima India) prefix, and LB stations may use the LJ (Lima Juliet) prefix, as part of the celebration of 200 years since the Norwegian Constitution, which was approved on 17 May 1814. QSL will be via the respective LA and LB permanent callsign. The special prefixes may only be used from the Norwegian mainland. There will also be a special station active, with the callsign: LM1814 (QSL via LA2G). The Norwegian Radio Relay League (NRRL) plans to offer a special award for contacts with the jubilee stations with LI and LJ prefixes plus the special station LM1814. Stay tuned!"

N4, UNITED STATES (LH Op!). Members of the Sun Country Amateur Radio Society will activate Mount Dora Lighthouse (USA-1407) as N4N to celebrate the 140th anniversary of the 1st Settlers to Mount Dora, Florida, between 1500z, February 15th (2014) and 0200z, February 16th (2014). Operations will be on CW, SSB and PSK31, and on 40/20/15/10 meters. They believe this to be the first activation of this actual working lighthouse. Built in 1988, only 35 ft. tall, the lighthouse is a fully functional navigating light for the Port of Mount Dora, on Lake Dora. It is the only inland freshwater lighthouse in Florida. QSL via N4N or KA4WJR (see QRZ.com for instructions). QSL via eQSL or direct ONLY (w/SASE and a BUSINESS SIZE #10 envelope). For more details, see: http://146970.com/lighthouse

PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (December 23-29th)....
Dec/23rd AN Dec/26th AN Dec/28th AN
Dec/24th AN Dec/27th AN Dec/29th AN
Dec/25th AN

SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS/INDEXES AND GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE
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NORMALITY GEOMAG K Values Alpha
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AN - Above Normal Quiet K=0-1 0-7
HN - High Normal Unsettled K=2 8-15
LN - Low Normal Active K=3 16-29
BN - Below Normal Minor Storm K=4 30-49
DIS - Disturbed Major Storm K=5 50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed Severe Storm K=6-9 100-400

OH9, FINLAND. If you missed talking to Santa Claus, OF9X, this past weekend (see special bulletin OPDX.1141.1), there is still a chance to talk to the OH9SCL radio station from the heart of Santa Claus Land (QTH of Santa-Radio <http://www.harriniva.fi>) for a few more days after Christmas from the Far North of Lapland ☐ the village of Lankojarvi, near Pello (Location 66.44N, 24.21E) with Kimmo, OH9MDV, at the controls. For more details, see QRZ.com.

P40, ARUBA. Operators Aki/JR3QFB/W3JH and Take/JI3DST/JS6RRR will be active as P40JH and P40R, respectively (callsigns pending and may be changed), from Aruba (SA-036) between March 12-18th (2014). Activity will be on 160-6 meters, including the 30/17/12 meter bands, using CW,

SSB, FM and the Digital modes (RTTY/PSK31/PSK63/JT65A/JT9).
QSL via their home callsigns, by the Bureau or direct (SASE with 2-GC
or 1-IRC). Please check QRZ.com for details.

PJ4, BONAIRE. By the time you read this Bill, K9HZ, will be active as
PJ4/K9HZ from Bonaire (SA-006) until January 1st (2014). Activity will
be on 80-6 meters using QSL via his home callsign direct, LoTW and eQSL.
NO Bureau QSLs.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (December 22nd)

3W1T via RW6HS (d/L) HB0/HB9CVQ via HB9CVQ (d/L) RI20ANT/MM via RW3RN
5B4AHL via M0URX HI4/CT1GIF via CT1GIF (W2-B/d) S506PMC via S59DCD
9K2/SP4R via SP7DQR IA0MZ via IW0EFA SN3WOSP via SP3CGK
C31LBL via EA3DDP (d) NY4A via RN3RQ (d/B/L) SO4R via SP4PND
CE8/UA4WHX via UA4WHX OD5/F5TLN via F5TLN TI5/N2BA via WA3RHW
CE9/UA4WHX via UA4WHX OF9X via OH2BH VR2/IV3TAN via IV3TAN
CO3JA via CO3JA (d) PJ4DX via M0URX VY1JA via N3SL (d);
CO7WT via N2CQ R95DOD via RA3SI JA3JM (JA only)
FW5JJ via F5RXL
HF110RAEM via SP2FAP (before Dec 23rd) and via SP3GVX (after Dec 23rd)
(e) eQSL only (d) direct only (B) Bureau only (L) LoTW only

QSL T48LT via CO8IR. This is a special callsign from a local radio
club in Las Tunas (that's the reason of the suffix). Callsign was
active during the ARRL 10M Contest.

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: CE2AWW, DL2CC, DR1D, EC7CW, ER5LL, FJ/DK7LX,
G3VMW, G5W, GM3X, HB9BXE, HR2J, HV4NAC, JL1BYZ, JM1LRA, K9W, KL7RA,
KL7SB, LA2MOA, LO5D, LW6DB, LY5E, M1CEC, M2X, OK2SAR, OY9R, P29VNX,
P40W, TG7/HR2DMR, UD6DKW, UG5UT, UT8IO, V49J, VE7JH, VK4NH, VP2V/N3DXX,
VP8BTU, VU7AG, XE2S, XE2X and ZP9MCE

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 4J3DJ, 4X1FQ, 5B4AJC, 5J0R, C5DXC, CP1/UA4WHX,
EG3INT/7, FO/G4MFW, FO/KH0PR, HP0INT/2, HP0INT/3, HP0INT/4, HP0INT/9,
J3/WJ7R, JX9JKA, LX2A, NT5V/KP2, OA4/UA4WHX, P29VNX, T6T, TX5RV,
V31MA, V31ZM, ZA/UA4WHX and ZM90DX

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 4O/OK1MU, 4O/OK4ZW, 4S7HBG, 6O0JT, 750ARA,
7X5RS, 9J1JA, 9M2/JE1SCJ, 9M0L, AH0BT, AL5A/AH0, C5A, C50C, DU1/JJ5GMJ,
ET3JA, JD1BLY, MJ/SM3TLG, 0H0CO, OH0/OK2BOB, OL140FIRE, OL2011VP,
PJ4/OK5MM, PY5/SQ7NSH, SI9AM, SJ5SOP, SM75FOC, SV5/OK1AMM, SV5/OK2BOB,
SV5/OK2ZV/P, T88EC, TC03W, TC07DX, TC098A, V31IZ, WH2DX, XV9NPS,
ZA/OK2BOB, ZL1ANH, ZL1BGS, ZL1BYZ, ZL1YE, ZL2AOH, ZL2APV, ZL2AGY,
ZL2ATU, ZL2IFB, ZL2JKY, ZL2JU, ZL2RR, ZL3ACU, ZL3CC, ZL3PAH, ZL3WD,
ZL4NR, ZL5OVK, ZL6RWC, ZL7A and ZM4T

T32, EAST KIRIBATI (IOTA Op). The DX-World.net" reports that "A group of
three operators plan to be active from Starbuck Island (OC-280) and Flint
Island (OC-282) next March 2014." Operators were not named, but the group
has found a ship to take them, and the cost of the ship is 50,000 USDs

for a journey of about 20 days including the 1-2 days to activate Starbuck and 3 days on Flint. In order to reduce costs, the team is looking for two more operators who are willing to join them. If interested in joining them on this IOTA trip, please use the following "DX-World.net" link to contact the group at: http://dx-world.net/send-news

TF, ICELAND. Jose, EA5IDQ, will be active as TF/EA5IDQ between May 11-22nd. This will be his first DXpedition. Activity will be holiday style on 40-10 meters using SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via EA5IDQ.

TR, GABON. Thorbjorn "Thor", SM7RME, was once again active as TR0A/p from Port Gentil, Mandji Island (AF-089). Most of his activity has been on 17/10 meters CW. However, by the time you read this, Thor should be QRT today (Monday). If you missed him, Thor informs OPDX that he will return in 2014 and will put up a log-periodic yagi, so then he will be active on 20 to 10 meters. QSL via SM7EHU.

VK0E, HEARD ISLAND. A press release was posted by Dr. Robert Schmieder, KK6EK, on December 15th, on the Heard Island Web page at: http://www.heardisland.org
Excerpts from the press release state that "Following his visit to the Australian Antarctic Division offices in Hobart, Tasmania, Expedition Organizer Dr. Robert Schmieder made the final decisions that will define the expedition. The expedition is scheduled for Jan., 2015." A group will use the Belgian vessel Cmdr. Fourcault, taking a team of 35 persons and sail from Capetown, South Africa, directly to Heard Island. After landing, the team and equipment will be off-loaded by helicopter onto the island, and the team will stay at the island for 30-days, providing support, emergency capability, and movement of personnel and supplies to various locations on the island. Following recovery of the team and equipment, it will return to Capetown. The entire journey will take about 50 days. The team will be made up of several sub-teams, each with its own goals: mountaineering team, cryptobiology team, marine science team, documentation team, and the communications team who will use amateur radio to make up to 150,000 individual contacts worldwide using the callsign VK0EK, and provide real-time reporting of data and images to the internet, including automatically updating websites that display the activities of the team. The expedition will be carried out under the auspices of Cordell Expeditions, a nonprofit research organization that has done expeditions to remote islands for more than 30 years. For further information, please contact Dr. Schmieder at <schmieder@...>, and visit the expedition Web site at <www.heardisland.org>.

VK9M, MELLISH REEF. A new press release (#5 - dated December 22nd) has been posted on the VK9MT Web page. Excerpts from the release state that Norbert Meyer, DJ7JC, has been added to the team, and they also provide his bio info. They also list two more sponsors: DX Engineering and Astrid's Embroidery. The details on the boat scheduling has been confirmed for the DXpedition, and as well as Stu, K6TU, customized propagation prediction tools. The team continues their fund raising for the DXpedition with details on how to donate. For the complete press release, go to:

http://www.vk9mt.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=58:press-release-5&catid=34:news&Itemid=58

VQ9, CHAGOS. Jim, ND9M, is once again active as VQ9JC from Diego Garcia. The length of his stay is not known. Activity has been on 30/20/17 meters using mostly CW, with some SSB and RTTY. QSL via ND9M.

XW, LAOS. Champ, E21EIC, will once again be active as XW0YJY from Vientiane between December 24-30th. He informs OPDX, "Focus will be on RTTY and I will try again on 160M. Last trip I worked 9 QSOs on 160M and 1 QSO from USA was Bob, W7LR." QSL via E21EIC, direct or by the Bureau. He does prefer using the OQRS (ClubLog) for direct and Bureau requests. Log will be uploaded to LoTW. No eQSL. Visit it his FaceBook and Web page at:
https://www.facebook.com/SomChamp
http://www.e21eic.net/index.php

ZD9, TRISTAN DA CUNHA. Members of the Italian DXpedition Team (IDT) have announced their next DXpedition. The IDT will go to Tristan da Cunha (AF-029) and be active as ZD9TT sometime between the period of September-October 2015. Their Web page states, "The DXpedition will last a total of five weeks, of which two for travel and the middle three for operation. The main aim of the DXpedition will be to work the greatest possible number of unique calls, thus offering a possibility also to Little Pistols and QRP stations. All bands will be activated on CW and SSB, but RTTY operations will be confined to the 14 MHz band." For more details and updates, visit: http://www.i2ysb.com/idt
Also, visit their forum on: http://www.hamradioweb.org/forums/

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During the next last full weekend of December 12:00 UTC Dec 28 till 12:00 UTC Dec 29, we are going to have the second edition of the World Wide Iron Ham Contest, sponsored by ADXG Araucaria Dx Group with full support of other Brazilian Contest Groups and LABRE.
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· To promote the integration of IT technologies with the Ham Radio competition.
· To promote and stimulate the ability for contest planning
· To drastically shorten the time for log submission and results publication
· To create contest alternatives for ham competition.

All the contest world community is invited to participate of the competition, and the Brazilian contesters will be honored to insert your call in their logs.

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22048. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-23 15:30:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 22048

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:Issued: 2013 Dec 23 1314 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
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SIDC URSIGRAM 31223
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 23 Dec 2013, 1312UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 23 Dec 2013 until 25 Dec 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Active (M-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Warning condition (activity levels expected to increase, but no numeric
forecast given)
PREDICTIONS FOR 23 Dec 2013 10CM FLUX: 143 / AP: 003
PREDICTIONS FOR 24 Dec 2013 10CM FLUX: 145 / AP: 005
PREDICTIONS FOR 25 Dec 2013 10CM FLUX: 145 / AP: 021
COMMENT: There were five M flares and thirteen C flares on the Sun during
the past 24 hours, the large majority being released by NOAA AR 11928. The
brightest one was an M3.3 flare from NOAA AR 11928 peaking at 15:12 UT on
December 22. In the next 48 hours, the probability for C flares is very
high (over 90%) and for M flares around 75%, mainly from beta-gamma regions
NOAA AR 11928 and NOAA 11934. An X flare is possible but unlikely. A
warning condition for proton storms is issued in view of the high flaring
rate of NOAA AR 11928 near the West limb. In the past 24 hours, solar wind
speed decreased from around 340 km/s to around 310 km/s and the magnitude
of the Interplanetary Magnetic Field was around 3 nT, as observed by ACE.
Current geomagnetic conditions are quiet (K Dourbes between 0 and 2; NOAA
Kp between 0 and 1) and are expected to remain so on December 23 and 24. On
December 25, geomagnetic conditions might become active (K Dourbes = 4) due
to the effects of a northern coronal hole (25-55N), which has passed the
central meridian yesterday.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 078, BASED ON 08 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 22 Dec 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 138
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : ///
AK WINGST : 000
ESTIMATED AP : 001
ESTIMATED ISN : 081, BASED ON 15 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
22 1424 1438 1448 S18E44 M1.6 1F ///1934
22 1506 1512 1519 S19W56 M3.3 1N 87/1928
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22 2123 2208 2213 S17W58 M1.6 SN 87/1928
22 2344 0003 0005 S17W60 M1.3 SF 87/1928 III/1
23 0859 0906 0909 S18W64 M1.6 1N 87/1928
END
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22049. Re: [DX-IS] off topic

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-23 21:54:23 UTC
From: briana
Topic: 7597 Message: 22049

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> Checked by AVG - www.avg.com <http://www.avg.com>
> Version: 2012.0.2247 / Virus Database: 3658/6442 - Release Date: 12/22/13
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22050. RE: [DX-IS] off topic

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-23 22:13:18 UTC
From: Ron Notarius W3WN
Topic: 7597 Message: 22050

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At least I know whom not to work.

73

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of briana
Sent: Monday, December 23, 2013 4:54 PM
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> Version: 2012.0.2247 / Virus Database: 3658/6442 - Release Date: 12/22/13
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22051. RE: [DX-IS] off topic

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-23 22:16:28 UTC
From: Radio K0HB
Topic: 7597 Message: 22051

I love overpowered PSK. Gives people something to bitch about so they ignore my shaky Morse fist.

73, de Hans, K0HB/4ID

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> briana
> Sent: Monday, December 23, 2013 4:54 PM
> To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
> Subject: Re: [DX-IS] off topic
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> It's pretty clear from spectrum displays than lots of PSK folks are not
> limiting their power to 30W. In fact some of the PSK signals are the
> strongest signals on the band.
> Like other modes, PSK has jointed the power escalation race.
> 73 de Brian/K3KO
> On 12/22/2013 9:20 PM, GARY HUBER wrote:
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>> PSK-31 is fairly easy to get into. Use USB, WinWarbler (DXLabs Suite)
>> and a RIGblaster nomic or similar. RTTY (AFSK) use LSB, WinWarbler
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>> 30W or less both ends. RTTY can go to 1500 W out IF you have the radio
>> and amp to handle it.
>> 73 ES DX,
>> Gary -- AB9M
>> *From:* dale cole <mailto:dchamguy@...>

>> *Sent:* Sunday, December 22, 2013 7:08 PM
>> *To:* N3FJP_Software_Users@yahoogroups.com
>> <mailto:N3FJP_Software_Users@yahoogroups.com> ; dx-is@yahoogroups.com
>> <mailto:dx-is@yahoogroups.com>
>> *Subject:* [DX-IS] off topic
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>> With many of you savoy in the digital modes, what is the most popular
>> form to use for DX'ing, and possible contesting?
>> I use a TS-570, and no vhf or uhf. I have posted this on several
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>> bucks *:) happy
>> Please reply to my personal email addy to keep clutter off the board.
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>> Dale K8TS
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>> No virus found in this message.
>> Checked by AVG - www.avg.com <http://www.avg.com>
>> Version: 2012.0.2247 / Virus Database: 3658/6442 - Release Date: 12/22/13
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> ---
> This email is free from viruses and malware because avast! Antivirus protection is
active.
> http://www.avast.com

22052. Re: [DX-IS] off topic

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-23 23:38:38 UTC
From: Richard Solomon
Topic: 7597 Message: 22052

Life is too short for QRP !!

HI HI

73 es HH, Dick, W1KSZ

On Mon, Dec 23, 2013 at 2:54 PM, briana <alsopb@...> wrote:

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> > Checked by AVG - www.avg.com <http://www.avg.com>
> > Version: 2012.0.2247 / Virus Database: 3658/6442 - Release Date: 12/22/13
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22053. Online WAE award application

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-24 00:53:22 UTC
From: John Becker
Topic: 22053 Message: 22053

Does anyone here have any experience with applying for the WAE award online? I'm wondering if DARC normally has a backlog of award requests and how long processing usually takes?

In mid November, I created an account on the DARC DCL system and uploaded QSO data from LoTW and eQSL. I then filled out the Excel spreadsheet used for paper QSLs and had my cards checked and the application signed by two hams as required for a GCR application. I filed my DCL application online, sent copies of the .xls forms and scans of the signed GCR forms to the WAE award manager by e-mail and also sent the original signed forms to him by conventional airmail.

Recently, I e-mailed the award manager asking him to confirm that he had received my application, but he has not replied. Any suggestions? Thanks!

73,

John, K9MM

22054. RE: Online WAE award application

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-24 03:57:38 UTC
From: <w8jmf@...>
Topic: 22053 Message: 22054

John. I just applied for the award right on the DCL site. Once it went to proofed status I had to send in the fee and it went to complete and I received the certificate. GL es 73, John

22055. RE: Online WAE award application

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-24 04:02:46 UTC
From: <w8jmf@...>
Topic: 22053 Message: 22055

P.S. I entered my paper QSLs in as t-QSLs and sent scans to the mgr. and he approved them.

22056. Re: Online WAE award application

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-24 12:15:11 UTC
From: John Becker
Topic: 22053 Message: 22056

> P.S. I entered my paper QSLs in as t-QSLs and sent scans to the mgr. and
> he approved them.

I applied for the WAE-TOP award on CW and the WAE-I award on SSB. 98% of the verifications were paper QSLs, about 500 in all. Scanning and emailing all of them wasn't an option in my view.

Before applying, I had sent several e-mails to the award manager asking for some clarification on submission options. He didn't answer most of the messages, but he did tell me a GCR list was OK.

Much of the DCL info is only in German on the DARC website. I don't read German and using Google translation produced many results that were unclear.

I'm waiting for him to tell me how much money to send, assuming the application is approved. Did you use PayPal to send the fee?

73,

John, K9MM

22057. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-24 15:30:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 22057

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:Issued: 2013 Dec 24 1258 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 31224
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 24 Dec 2013, 1212UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 24 Dec 2013 until 26 Dec 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Active conditions expected (A>=20 or K=4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 24 Dec 2013 10CM FLUX: 130 / AP: 001
PREDICTIONS FOR 25 Dec 2013 10CM FLUX: 132 / AP: 017
PREDICTIONS FOR 26 Dec 2013 10CM FLUX: 134 / AP: 019
COMMENT: There were five C flares on the Sun during the past 24 hours, the
large majority being released by NOAA AR 11928. The brightest one was a
C8.4 flare from NOAA AR 11936 peaking at 17:28 UT on December 23. In the
next 48 hours, the probability for C flares is high (around 80%) and for M
flares around 40%, mainly from NOAA AR 11928 and 11936. There is a slight
chance for an X flare. In the past 24 hours, solar wind speed decreased
from around 310 km/s to around 280 km/s and the magnitude of the
Interplanetary Magnetic Field varied between 1.5 and 4 nT, as observed by
ACE. Current geomagnetic conditions are quiet (K Dourbes between 0 and 2;
NOAA Kp between 0 and 1) and are expected to remain so on December 24 and
in the first half of December 25. In the second half of December 25,
geomagnetic conditions may become active (K Dourbes = 4) due to the arrival
of a coronal hole high speed stream with estimated velocity between 450 and
500 km/s. Quiet to active geomagnetic conditions (K Dourbes < 5) are
expected on December 26, as the coronal hole high speed stream effects
continue.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 076, BASED ON 06 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 23 Dec 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 136
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 005
AK WINGST : 002
ESTIMATED AP : 002
ESTIMATED ISN : 075, BASED ON 09 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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22058. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-25 15:30:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 22058

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:Issued: 2013 Dec 25 1246 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 31225
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 25 Dec 2013, 1212UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 25 Dec 2013 until 27 Dec 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Active conditions expected (A>=20 or K=4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 25 Dec 2013 10CM FLUX: 123 / AP: 023
PREDICTIONS FOR 26 Dec 2013 10CM FLUX: 125 / AP: 015
PREDICTIONS FOR 27 Dec 2013 10CM FLUX: 128 / AP: 007
COMMENT: There were eight C flares on the Sun during the past 24 hours,
released by NOAA AR 11928 and 11936. The brightest one was a C4.7 flare
from NOAA AR 11928 peaking at 06:39 UT on December 25. In the next 48
hours, the probability for C flares is high (around 70%) and for M flares
around 25%, mainly from NOAA AR 11928 and 11936. Solar wind speed as
observed by ACE suddenly increased from about 290 to 320 km/s around 20:40
UT on December 24, accompanied by a rise in solar wind density. Since then,
the magnitude of the Interplanetary Magnetic Field has gradually increased
from about 3 to about 12 nT and its phi angle behaved chaotically until
4:00 UT on December 25, when it started increasing linearly over time.
These measurements are consistent with the arrival of the flux robe of an
unidentified CME around 4h UT on December 25, preceded by a shock which
started around 20:40 UT on December 24. Though Bz is having extended
periods of -10 nT, geomagnetic activity has remained quiet over the past 24
hours (NOAA Kp between 0 and 3). Due to the expected arrival of a coronal
hole high speed stream, quiet to active geomagnetic conditions are expected
in the second half of December 25 and on December 26, with a chance of
minor storm excursions. Quiet to active conditions are likely on December
27.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 070, BASED ON 11 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 24 Dec 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 128
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 007
AK WINGST : 002
ESTIMATED AP : 002
ESTIMATED ISN : 078, BASED ON 11 STATIONS.
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NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END

22059. Wow What a Christmas

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-26 15:10:55 UTC
From: KQ8M
Topic: 22059 Message: 22059

Amazed to arise this morning and check my LOTW account and find XZ1J and Z81X safely tucked in my DXCC totals. Thank you to both
Expeditions! Now I wish I had waited to update as it would have been nice to add those to the totals. Oh well. As we are fond of
saying here in Cleveland, "There is always next year". (For those that don't know, that is a reference to the cities motto as
pertains to the sports teams.)

73,

Tim Herrick, KQ8M

Charter Member North Coast Contesters

kq8m@...

AR-Cluster V6 kq8m.no-ip.org

User Ports: 23, 7373 with local skimmer, 7374 without local skimmer

Server Ports: V6 3607, V4 Active 3605, V4 Passive 3606

22060. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-26 15:30:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 22060

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:Issued: 2013 Dec 26 1348 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 31226
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 26 Dec 2013, 1312UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 26 Dec 2013 until 28 Dec 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Active conditions expected (A>=20 or K=4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 26 Dec 2013 10CM FLUX: 125 / AP: 008
PREDICTIONS FOR 27 Dec 2013 10CM FLUX: 128 / AP: 013
PREDICTIONS FOR 28 Dec 2013 10CM FLUX: 128 / AP: 004
COMMENT: There were six C flares on the Sun during the past 24 hours,
released by NOAA AR 11928, 11936, 11934, and 11931. The brightest one was a
C2.2 flare from AR 11931 peaking at 07:02 UT on December 26. In the next 48
hours, the probability for C flares is high (around 80%) and for M flares
around 30%. The > 10 MeV proton flux as observed by GOES13 started rising
around 9h UT on December 26, right after the long duration C1.3 flare
produced by AR 11936. It is currently still rising, but it is not expected
to exceed the threshold level of 10 pfu. During the past 24 hours, solar
wind speed as observed by ACE has varied between about 260 and 300 km/s,
while the magnitude of the Interplanetary Magnetic Field has decreased from
about 11 to about 3 nT. Geomagnetic activity has been quiet over the past
24 hours (NOAA Kp between 1 and 3). Due to the expected arrival of a
coronal hole high speed stream, quiet to active geomagnetic conditions (K
Dourbes < 5) are expected in the second half of December 26 and on December
27. Quiet geomagnetic conditions are likely on December 28.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 065, BASED ON 11 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 25 Dec 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 123
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 009
AK WINGST : 006
ESTIMATED AP : 006
ESTIMATED ISN : 065, BASED ON 19 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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22061. Iambic Paddle Cable

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-26 22:15:07 UTC
From: Richard Solomon
Topic: 22061 Message: 22061

There is a chap in England who makes up a PC board
that fits the Vibroplex Iambic paddle. The cable has a
DIN plug on the Paddle end and a phone plug on the
Radio end.

Does anyone recall his name or call or have his URL ??

Tnx es HH, Dick, W1KSZ

22062. Re: [DX-IS] Iambic Paddle Cable

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-26 22:29:18 UTC
From: iain macdonnell - N6ML
Topic: 22061 Message: 22062

On Thu, Dec 26, 2013 at 2:15 PM, Richard Solomon <dickw1ksz@...> wrote:
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> There is a chap in England who makes up a PC board
> that fits the Vibroplex Iambic paddle. The cable has a
> DIN plug on the Paddle end and a phone plug on the
> Radio end.
>
> Does anyone recall his name or call or have his URL ??

A Google search for "vibroplex pcb din" found:

http://www.eham.net/reviews/detail/9689?page=3

which links to:

http://www.g3liv.co.uk

Is that what you're looking for?

73,

~iain / N6ML

22063. Re: [DX-IS] Iambic Paddle Cable

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-26 22:36:00 UTC
From: Richard Solomon
Topic: 22061 Message: 22063

That's him, thanks. That was variation I did not Google !!

73 es HH, Dick, W1KSZ

On Thu, Dec 26, 2013 at 3:29 PM, iain macdonnell - N6ML <ar@dseven.org>wrote:

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> wrote:
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> >
> > Does anyone recall his name or call or have his URL ??
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> http://www.eham.net/reviews/detail/9689?page=3
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> which links to:
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> http://www.g3liv.co.uk
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> Is that what you're looking for?
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> 73,
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> ~iain / N6ML
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22064. ARLD052 DX news

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-26 23:50:02 UTC
From: jjreisert@...
Topic: 8045 Message: 22064

SB DX @ ARL $ARLD052
ARLD052 DX news

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QST de W1AW
DX Bulletin 52 ARLD052
>From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT December 26, 2013
To all radio amateurs

SB DX ARL ARLD052
ARLD052 DX news

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by NC1L, QRZ DX, the Weekly DX, the OPDX Bulletin, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, DXNL, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

SOVEREIGN MILITARY ORDER OF MALTA, 1A. A large group of operators will be QRV as 1A0KM from January 2 to 7. Activity will be on 160 to 10 meters. QSL via IK0FTA.

WESTERN MALAYSIA, 9M2. Rich, PA0RRS will be QRV as 9M2MRS from Pinang, IOTA AS-015, from December 31 to February 23. Activity will be on 40 to 10 meters using CW, RTTY and PSK. QSL to home call.

PAKISTAN, AP. Ijaz, AP2IA has been QRV using RTTY on 15 meters around 0745z. QSL direct to home call.

SPAIN, EA. Beginning January 1, Spanish stations have limited use of 60 meters for six months. The allowable frequencies are 5268, 5295, 5313, 5382, 5430 and 5439 kHz.

NORWAY, LA. During all of 2014, Norwegian LA stations may use the LI prefix and LB stations may use the LJ prefix in celebration of 200 years of the Norwegian Constitution. In addition, special event station LM1814 will be active as part of the celebration. QSL via LA2G.

DENMARK, OZ. Special event station 5P14EHC will be QRV from January 1 to 31 to commemorate the European Men's Handball Championship in Denmark that runs from January 12 to 26. QSO direct to OZ0J.

BONAIRE, PJ4. Bill, K9HZ is QRV as PJ4/K9HZ until January 1. Activity is on 80 to 6 meters. QSL direct to home call.

BRAZIL, PY. Raimundo, PT7CG and Renner, PY7RP are QRV as ZX8DX from Pedra do Sal Beach on Grande de Santa Isabel Island, IOTA SA-025,

until December 30. Activity is on 80 to 10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via PT7CG.

WESTERN SAHARA, S0. Mahfoud, S01MZ has been QRV on 20 meters using SSB around 2145 to 2300z. QSL via EA1BT.

POLAND, SP. Special event station HF2013PLL is QRV to commemorate Lublin's new airport. QSL via SP8KEZ. In addition, special event stations SO110RAEM and HF110RAEM are QRV until December 31 to commemorate the 110th anniversary of the birth of RAEM, Ernst T. Krenkel. QSL via SP2FAP and SP3GVX, respectively.

PALAU, T8. Look for JH0IXE to be QRV as T8CW until January 6. Activity is on 160 to 6 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY, SSTV and PSK. QSL to home call.

ANTARCTICA. A group of operators are QRV as RI1ANR from the Russian Antarctic Novolazarevskaya base until April 6. Activity is on all bands. QSL via RK1PWA.

NAMIBIA, V5. Dietmar, DL3DXX is QRV as V5/DL3DXX until January 8. He will be QRV as V55V in the Stew Perry 160 Meter contest. QSL both calls to home call.

LAOS, XW. Champ, E21EIC is QRV as XW0YJY from Vientiane until December 31. Activity is on the HF bands using mainly RTTY. He will try to be active again on 160 meters as well. QSL direct to home call.

SPECIAL EVENT STATION. W100AW, ARRL HQ Station. Look for special call W100AW to begin operations from the ARRL Headquarters Maxim Memorial Station at 0500Z on 1 January. See the ARRL Web site for more information about QSLing and about the Centennial QSO Party.

SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS. W1AW, Centennial Stations. Look for W1AW/4 in North Carolina, and W1AW/8 in West Virginia to be on the air starting at 0000Z on 1 January. They will be active until 2359Z on 7 January. See the ARRL Web site for more information about QSLing and about the Centennial QSO Party.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The Stew Perry Topband CW Challenge NCCC Sprint, RAC Winter Contest, World Wide Iron Ham Contest, Original QRP CW Contest and the RAEM CW Contest are all on tap for this upcoming weekend. The Lighthouse Christmas Lights QSO Party runs until January 1. The ARRL Straight Key Night, AGB New Year Snowball Contest, QRP Fox Hunt, 0200Z-0330Z, Jan 1 SARTG New Year RTTY Contest, AGCW Happy New Year Contest and the AGCW VHF/UHF Contest are all scheduled for January 1. Please see December QST, page 66, January 2014 QST, page 81 and the ARRL and WA7BNM contest web sites for details.
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22065. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-27 15:30:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 22065

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:Issued: 2013 Dec 27 1242 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 31227
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 27 Dec 2013, 1212UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 27 Dec 2013 until 29 Dec 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 27 Dec 2013 10CM FLUX: 125 / AP: 003
PREDICTIONS FOR 28 Dec 2013 10CM FLUX: 130 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 29 Dec 2013 10CM FLUX: 133 / AP: 007
COMMENT: There were four C flares on the Sun during the past 24 hours. The
brightest one was a C4.4 flare peaking at 12:13 UT on December 27, for
which the source region is still unknown at this moment. Since AR 11934 and
11936 are showing fast flux emergence, the probability for C flares over
the next 48 hours is high (around 75%) and for M flares around 25%. The >
10 MeV proton flux as observed by GOES13 has stabilized around 2 pfu and is
not expected to exceed the threshold level of 10 pfu in the next 48 hours.
STEREO COR2 B observed a full halo CME at 3:12 UT on December 26, which was
detected as a partial halo CME on LASCO C2 by CACTUS. This CME is related
to a backsided event. Another CME was observed by LASCO C2 at 7:36 UT on
December 26 and by STEREO COR2 A at 7:54 UT. This CME is probably related
to the C2.2 flare released by AR 11931 which peaked at 7:02 UT. There is a
slight chance that this CME will deliver a glancing blow in the first half
of December 30. Around 3h UT on December 27, the solar wind speed as
observed by ACE increased quickly from about 265 to about 310 km/s. Over
the past 24 hours, the magnitude of the Interplanetary Magnetic Field has
increased from about 3 to about 7 nT. These observations may be the effect
of a weak coronal hole high speed stream arriving at Earth. Geomagnetic
activity has been quiet over the past 24 hours (K Dourbes between 0 and 2;
NOAA Kp between 1 and 2). Quiet geomagnetic conditions (K Dourbes < 4) are
expected on December 27, 28, and 29.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 075, BASED ON 07 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 26 Dec 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 125
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 003
AK WINGST : 002
ESTIMATED AP : 001
ESTIMATED ISN : 068, BASED ON 18 STATIONS.
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NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END

22066. 425 DX News - #1182

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-27 17:04:17 UTC
From: <k9or@...>
Topic: 22066 Message: 22066

28 December 2013 A.R.I. DX Bulletin
No 1182
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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** DX INFORMATION ****
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Edited by I1JQJ & IK1ADH
Direttore Responsabile I2VGW

5H - Vittorio, I2GPT (www.i2gpt.com http://www.i2gpt.com) will be active holiday style as 5H1VC from Zanzibar Island (AF-032) on 4-12 January. He will operate CW (on 40-10 metres) and RTTY (on 20 metres only), typicall during his early morning and late afternoon hours. QSL via RW6HS. [TNX RW6HS]
6W - Francis, F6BLP will be active again as 6W7SK from Senegal on 3-31 January. He will operate mainly CW on 80-10 metres. QSL via home call (direct or bureau), LoTW and eQSL. Logsearch at www.f6blp.org http://www.f6blp.org.
A6 - Eventually the A63RI team was able to land on Dibba Rock (AS-124) on 27 December, and is now active with two stations (SSB and CW) until the 30th. QSL via IZ8CLM. A few pictures can be found at www.mdxc.org/a63ri/ http://www.mdxc.org/a63ri/
DL - Special event callsign DB50FIRAC will be active from 1 January through 31 December to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Federation Internationale des Radio Amateurs Cheminots (International Federation of Railway Radio Amateurs). QSL via bureau, LoTW and eQSL.
DL - To celebrate DARC Mainz Chapter's (DL0MZ) 60th anniversary, special callsign DL60JMZ (DOK 60K07) will used from 1 January to 31 December 2014. QSL via the bureau. [TNX DK8ZZ]
F - Weather permitting, Gil, F4FET/p and Diego, F4HAU/p will be active from Tombelaine Island (EU-156) for about 24 hours on 28-29 December. They plan to operate SSB and PSK with two stations on 80-10 metres. [TNX F4FET]
FT/T - Activated for the first time in 1954 (FB8BK/T) and for the last time in 2000 (FR/F6KDF/T), Tromelin Island (AF-031) is one of the top ten Most Wanted DXCC Entities. Landing and operating permissions for the joint effort by the Radio Club de Provins and the Lyon DX Gang [425DXN 1154] have been granted, and Tromelin will be back on the amateur radio bands from 30 October to 10 November 2014. Six operators (Franck F4AJQ, Flo F5CWU, Fred F5ROP, Eric F5SIH, Seb F5UFX and Michel FM5CD) will be QRV on 160-10 metres CW, SSB and RTTY with four stations. The organizers estimate a budget in the range of USD 90,000 (with logistics taking a major share of it), and fundraising has started. Visit www.tromelin2014.com http://www.tromelin2014.com for regular updates and information on

how to
contribute to this expensive project. [TNX F5NQL]
FT/Z - On 21 December the FT5ZM team reported that "all the equipment the
Amsterdam Island DXpedition team shipped to New Zealand is now
aboard the MV Braveheart". The vessel was expected to sail for
Fremantle, Australia on 26 December. Team members will begin
arriving in Fremantle on 9 January, and will depart for their
9-day voyage on the 15th. Once ashore, they will have 18 days to
set up, conduct the DXpedition and tear down for departure. "We've
not yet reached our financial goals", the team says, "but with
your continued support, that goal is in sight". Visit
www.amsterdamdx.org http://www.amsterdamdx.org for late breaking news and updates. [TNX
K0IR]
LA - Celebrating their country's Constitution Bicentennial, Norwegian
amateur radio operators are authorized to use special prefixes
throughout the anniversay year. LA stations may use the LI prefix,
and LB stations may use the LJ prefix. Also, the Gardermoen Radio
Club (LA2G) has been granted permission to use the special
callsign LM1814 during 2014. [TNX NRRL]
PY - The 26-30 December ZX8DX activity from IOTA group SA-025 [425DXN
1181] has been postponed until "the first two weeks of January".
[TNX PT7WA]
PY - Fabio, PP5BZ will try to go and be active as ZW5W from Santana de
Fora Island (SA-088) on 27-29 December. His previous attempt
earlier this month [425DXN 1175] had to be cancelled owing to bad
weather. QSL via PP5BZ. [TNX PT7WA]
VE - The Daily DX reports that David, VY0/VE3VID is back on Igloolik
Island (NA-174) and plans to be QRV on 20 metres only starting on
1 January. He will participate in the ARRL RTTY Roundup (4-5
January).
VK - Scott, VK7HVK plans to be active again as VK7HVK/p from Bruny
Island (OC-233) on 28 December. QSL via home call. [TNX DX World]
VK9/M - Norbert, DJ7JC has joined the operating team for the VK9MT
DXpedition to Mellish Reef (28 March-9 April 2014) [425DXN 1179].
New corporate sponsors have signed on, the sailing schedule with
the Evohe's skipper has been confirmed and K6TU's customized
propagation prediction tool is now up and running at
https://www.k6tu.net/?q=node/ add/dx-prediction-vk9mt
https://www.k6tu.net/?q=node/add/dx-prediction-vk9mt. "Depending
on the weather and sea conditions", the team says in their latest
press release (22 December), "our planned arrival at the reef is
approximately 28 March. Radio operation will begin as soon as the
HF stations are installed. Low band antennas will be installed on
the second day for operation beginning that night". Donations are
still being sought and gratefully accepted, see www.vk9mt.com http://www.vk9mt.com for
detailed information on how to donate. [TNX K5GS]
W - Mark, AA1AC will be active from Aquidneck Island (NA-031), Rhode
Island on 28-29 December. He will be QRV on 20-10 metres. QSL via
home call. [TNX AA1AC]
W - Once again Howie, K1VSJ will be active from Martha's Vineyard
(NA-046) from 30 December to 1 January. [TNX The Daily DX]

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CQ DX MARATHON ---> The CQ DX Marathon (www.dxmarathon.com http://www.dxmarathon.com) is a year-long
DX hunt, with participants competing to see who can work the greatest number of countries ("entities") and CQ zones during the calendar year. The 2014 edition will start at 00.00 UTC on 1 January and will end at 23.59 UTC on 31 December. For 2014, the CQ Marathon is introducing a third class of competition: the new Limited Class will allow those running 100 watts and small directional antennas to participate in their own class. Complete rules at www.cq-amateur-radio.com/cq_ contests/index_cq_contests. html http://www.cq-amateur-radio.com/cq_contests/index_cq_contests.html

GRANITE ISLAND (OC-228) ---> Paul, VK5PAS was active for a few hours from Granite Island on 27 December. Those who were not able to work him during his QRP operation, will have a second chance next year, as Craig, VK5CE has plans to operate from this island "probably around April for 2-4 days".

PMC CONTEST ---> The PMC Contest promotes contacts between stations located in the Peace Messenger Cities and the rest of the world. Sponsored by the Radio Club Slovenj Gradec (S59DCD), it will be held from 12 UTC on 4 January 2014 until 12 UTC on the 5th. Complete details can be found at www.s59dcd.si/en10/ http://www.s59dcd.si/en10/ [TNX S54X]

QSL T32AU ---> Dave, G4GED is not and has never been the QSL manager for T32AU (January 2012). "I have received many cards through the bureau which I will forward to the VE3 bureau sometime next year", he says. The DXpedition's website (www.t32kiritimati2012.com http://www.t32kiritimati2012.com) still lists QSL via VO1MX,
but the entry on qrz.com http://qrz.com shows via VE3AAQ. G4GED no longer has "any logs for any T3 callsigns from the 1980s".

T6EUPOL ---> This is "the official ham radio station of the European Union Police (EUPOL) Mission in Afghanistan". It is operated by Janusz, AK4JK. QSL direct only to Janusz Babol Vel Sobczyk, 8433 Southside Blvd, Apt 2711, Jacksonville FL 32256, USA.

W1AW WAS ---> Look for ARRL Centennial stations W1AW/4 from North Carolina and W1AW/8 from West Virginia to be on the air starting at 00.00 UTC on 1 January until 23.59 UTC on the 7th. Complete information on the ARRL Centennial QSO Party can be found at www.arrl.org/centennial-qso- party http://www.arrl.org/centennial-qso-party.

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3G1D EA5GL DU1KA NR6M RL3DS RW6HS
3G3O CE3OP EI0YOTA ON9CFG RT22TK RW6HS
3G3W XQ4CW EK3GM IK2QPR S01MZ EA1BT
3G6OS CE6RFP EL2DT EL2FM S506PMC S59DCD
3W1T RW6HS FK8RO F5IRO S506SLG S59DCD
3Z13XMAS SP6IEQ FW5JJ F5RXL S51ZZ S54G
4A1TD XE1GZU GB2W M0DOL S79ACR UA3DJY
4L8A K1BV GW7X G8DX SE70AA SK5AA
5B4AHL M0URX H40FN DK9FN SN0ZIMA SQ3ODX
5N4EAM IK2IQD H70ORO TI4SU SN110RAEM SP9HTY
5Q2T OZ0J HA21WFF HA6PJ SN1ZIMA SQ1KSL
7P8CE DK1CE HC2IMP IK2DUW SN3WOSP SP3CGK
7P8DJ DJ2HD HC8VWT K8FC SO110RAEM SP2FAP
7P8WO DH3WO HF110RAEM SP2FAP [1] T48LT CO8IR
7X5QB EA7FTR HF110RAEM SP3GVX [2] T8CW JA0FOX [b]
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8P9JB J69AZ HF450NS SP3KEY TC9SAM TA1HZ
9J2BO G3TEV HL5KY W3HNK TM0R F5GGL
9K2/SP4R SP7DQR HP1/IZ6BRN IZ8CLM TM0T F4DXW
9M2TO JA0DMV HP1A HP1RCP TM1A F6KOP
9M6XRO M0URX IA0MZ IW0EFA TM50ENSO F5LGQ
9Q0AR ON4CFC J79WTA HB9MFM TM50QF F6KSU
A25CE DK1CE JG8NQJ/JD1 JA8CJY [d] TM6M F4DXW
A25DJ DJ2HD JG8NQJ/JD1 JG8NQJ [b] TM7F F6KRC
A41KJ NI5DX JW/PY2SEX DL1NX TM7G F4CWN
A61SM A61BK JY4CI K2AX TM7X F5BSB
A61ZX IZ8CLM KP2VI W1MBB TM7XX F5MUX
A66TQ IZ8CLM LZ1JY W0FS TR0A/p SM7EHU
A91ND IZ8CLM M6T G4PIQ UE22A RV1CC
A91NM IZ8CLM N1MY/KH2 JH1LHJ V55A M0OXO
C4Z G3SWH NP2X K5WW V55V DJ8VC
C91C ZS6ALB OA2/AL4Q DJ8QP VI6WA100 VK6IR
CE9/UA4WHX UA4WHX OA4SS KB6J VK0JJJ K7CO
CN2OS PD0JOS OF9X OH2BH VK2013TDF M0OXO
CN3A IV3ZXQ OG3077F OH3JF VQ9JC ND9M
CN8KD EA5XX OH2YOTA ON9CFG WH0AU JP3WAU
CO7WT N2CQ OM20TUSR OM3RP YB4IR/8 YB4IR
CO8LY EA7ADH PA14HNY PA1AW YF1AR/8 N2OO
CP6AA IK6SNR PB14HNY PA1AW YL2013YOTA ON9CFG
CR2T CU2AF PJ2T W3HNK YN5Z K7ZO
CR5A CT1FFU PJ5/K6NAO JA1HGY YW2LV YV5YMA
CR6K CT1ILT R7378TM RM8W ZF2YL AE9YL
CS250CLE CS5RPT R95DOD RA3SI ZM90DX M0OXO
CS2C OK1RF RI1ANC RN1ON ZR9C ZS6WN
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CX3TQ IK2DUW RI1ANP RN1ON ZW5B K3IRV
D4C IZ4DPV RI1ANR RK1PWA ZW8T PS8HF

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[2] 23-31 December 2013

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22067. 425 DX Calendar - #1182

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22068. ARLP053 Propagation de K7RA

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>From Tad Cook, K7RA
Seattle, WA December 27, 2013
To all radio amateurs

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ARLP053 Propagation de K7RA

This is the last propagation forecast bulletin of 2013. In the first bulletin of 2014 we will review the previous year, and look at some averages to give us perspective on the current Solar Cycle 24.

Solar activity declined somewhat this week. The average of daily sunspot numbers retreated nearly 21 points from 134.4 to 114.6, and average solar flux was off nearly 21 points to 138.8. Geomagnetic indices were quiet.

These comparisons are between the recent seven day reporting period and the previous week, December 12-18, 2013.

Predicted solar flux according to the most recent forecast on Thursday, December 26 from NOAA/USAF is 125 on December 27-28, then 130, 135 and 140 on December 29-31, then 145, 150, 155, 165, 170, 175 and 170 on January 1-7, 165 on January 8-10, 155 on January 11-15, and 150 on January 16-17. Solar flux is predicted to drop to a low of 125 on January 22-25, and peak at 175 on February 2.

Predicted planetary A index is 7 on December 27, 5 on December 28 through January 2, then 10 and 20 on January 3-4, then 5 on January 5-9, then 15 on January 10, and 5 on January 11-20, then 10 and 8 on January 21-22.

F.K. Janda, OK1HH shares his geomagnetic predictions this week, and sees quiet to active conditions December 27, mostly quiet December 28, quiet to unsettled December 29, active to disturbed December 30, quiet December 31 and January 1, mostly quiet January 2-3, active to disturbed January 4, quiet to unsettled January 5, quiet January 6-9, quiet to unsettled January 10, quiet to active January 11, quiet to unsettled January 12, and mostly quiet January 13-17.

Don Kalinowski, NJ2E of Cary, North Carolina sent us a tip on space weather coverage by the British Met (Meteorological) Office, which

will begin in Spring 2014. You can read about it here:

http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/science-environment-25517466

And here:

http://www.metoffice.gov.uk/news/releases/archive/2013/space-weather-forecasts

Don also sent a link to this interesting video from NASA:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kS57VH3QN1g

Rich Zwirko, K1HTV of Amissville, Virginia sent this interesting report:

"Saturday, December 21 had some very interesting conditions on the higher HF bands. I was watching solarham.com around 1545 UTC and noticed a sharp peak in the density (proton?) reading on the ACE solar wind real time display. I switched to 10 meters and found 3W1T in Vietnam with a strong signal on CW coming in via long path from the south. In a few minutes he was in the log. That was around 1545Z.

"His signal continued to build to almost S9 on the K3 S meter over the next 15 minutes. I called Ed again on CW with my 100W, asking if he could switch to SSB, but he said that he had to QRT in a few minutes. I then switched to 15 meter SSB with the beam east and worked VK4WIL via the long path. Contacts were also made with a number of stations in the southern half of Africa.

"Later in the day around 2345Z VK6WX, with a great long path signal, was easily worked on 20 meter SSB. Then in the next 45 minutes QSOs were made with three stations in the Antarctic region on 20 meter CW, all with what seemed to be greatly enhanced signal strengths. On the other hand, signals via the northern polar path were almost non-existent at the K1HTV QTH. Go figure!"

Thanks, Rich!

Log into http://www.qrz.com and take a look at the K1HTV profile, full of interesting history for this active ham, 55 years on the air.

Larry Godek, W0OGH of Gilbert, Arizona wrote on December 21:

"Today listening to the KSM CW transmission on 16.914 Mc out of Point Reyes, California, I am hearing echoes between the characters. Sometimes it's hard to determine the characters as the echo is as strong as the direct or reflected signal. Wonder if anyone else heard the same thing?

"10 meter FM has been going strong all day with signals from the East Coast in here solid on 29.620 MHz through KQ2H in New York City. Hearing South American stations quite well. Also this year

I've heard the VE2TST repeater in Ottawa an awful lot whereas in the past years it's been very seldom heard.

"Lots of signals on the bands for the RTTY contest. Hope they have a banner weekend."

The KSM transmissions are from a former commercial marine radio site at Point Reyes, Bolinas, California in Marin County north of San Francisco. KSM is on the air occasionally to commemorate the old high seas CW operations of years past. Read about it here: http://www.radiomarine.org/

Peter Gambee, K6TTD of Sacramento, California sent this on December 20:

"I am located near downtown Sacramento, California. I did get on the air much too briefly during the 10 meter contest, for about an hour all together. Family and holiday shopping took precedence. I had the rig on in the background throughout, and was able to hear (sometimes see on CW Skimmer) what was happening, which only made sitting on the sidelines more painful. Conditions were outstanding on 10 throughout the contest from all I heard and saw.

"During the hour I was on, I wasn't competing. I spent my time 'scooting and pouncing' on new DXCC entities and bands. I only logged about a half dozen brand new DXCC entities, and chocked up about a dozen or so new-band DXCC QSOs. The majority of these were in Central America, South America and Asia. Europe and Africa seemed to be just out of reach as I wasn't able to get on the air when they were solid into Northern California.

"So far during this 'second peak' of Cycle 24, I have logged 175 new DXCC entities and now have over 100 DXCC confirmed. What has REALLY blown me away is that my linear has been idle for many of those contacts. In all but the most ugly pileups, I've been working DX with 15-30 watts.

"Lately I have been starting out with 15 watts and working my way up depending on conditions. Not that 30 watts is QRP by any means, but I'm still blown away with what I've been able to do barefoot, usually on the first or second call.

"I fell into this pattern completely by accident. I finished a QSO with my first station in China a few weeks into the current peak, only to realize that my linear was off and I was only running about 15 watts out! Just to see if it was dumb luck, I stuck with 15 watts and made several additional QSOs with new DXCC throughout Asia. Been going with the flow ever since.

"I still have the security blanket of a linear when conditions get really rough, as they likely will sooner than we would all like, but running sub-100 watts has been a kick. I will be giving REAL QRP a

shot ASAP, before the SSN drops down.

"Some of my bigger surprises so far: V63XG Micronesia (15w), ZM90DX Auckland and Campbell (15w), RU0ZM/0 Asiatic Russia (15w), ZS9MADIBA South Africa (30w), BA8AG China (20w) and XV2LRR Vietnam (20w)."

Thanks, Peter! Great report. Back when I was a teenaged WA7CSK in 1966, W7OE inducted me into QRP Amateur Radio Club International (#2656), and they considered 100 watts and below as QRP. These days 5 watts or less is generally considered QRP, but in the early seventies if I recall correctly 5 watts or less was referred to as QRPp.

We heard from Pavel Milanes Costa, CO7WT of Camaguey Cuba. He wrote, "Hi, I'm CO7WT from Cuba, and today I had a curious experience on 12 meters.

"I sit down in my shack and begin to call on 24.950 MHz around 1:00 PM local (1600 UTC) and the band was so-so, but using the CQRLOG software in Linux with the world map showing the approximate place of each station I note what can be called as a skip ribbon or skip zone moving away westward.

"Beginning on the East Coast of US with little stations in the mid US, and no California at all, then around 1 hour later some stations entering from the west coast and strong signals from the middle US and fading signals from the East Coast (skip zone moving west) and then strong stations coming from California and even two Alaska stations, and NY stations popping strong on the radio again.

"Funny, I have 15 years+ as a ham and I have never seen propagation this way. It may be because I have no way to see the other station's position before, and now with this software I can note curious effects like this.

"The result of the almost 4 hours sit down in front of the radio was 200+ contacts scattered all over the US, including Alaska, and 3 PY (Brazil) and one FM4 (Martinique) on SSB.

"Just to share an experience, and surprise of the discovery. We never stop learning!

"Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

"73 de CO7WT, Pavel"

If you would like to make a comment or have a tip for our readers, email the author at, k7ra@....

For more information concerning radio propagation, see the ARRL Technical Information Service web page at http://arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals. For an explanation of the numbers used in this bulletin, see

http://arrl.org/the-sun-the-earth-the-ionosphere. An archive of past propagation bulletins is at http://arrl.org/w1aw-bulletins-archive-propagation. More good information and tutorials on propagation are at http://k9la.us/.

Monthly propagation charts between four USA regions and twelve overseas locations are at http://arrl.org/propagation.

Instructions for starting or ending email distribution of ARRL bulletins are at http://arrl.org/bulletins.

Sunspot numbers for December 19 through 25 were 138, 137, 131, 111, 108, 96, and 81, with a mean of 114.6. 10.7 cm flux was 153.4, 149.2, 144.2, 137.9, 136.1, 128.3, and 122.7, with a mean of 138.8. Estimated planetary A indices were 5, 6, 4, 3, 3, 2, and 7, with a mean of 4.3. Estimated mid-latitude A indices were 4, 6, 4, 2, 2, 2, and 6, with a mean of 3.7.
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22069. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-28 15:30:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 22069

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:Issued: 2013 Dec 28 1223 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 31228
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 28 Dec 2013, 1212UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 28 Dec 2013 until 30 Dec 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Quiet
PREDICTIONS FOR 28 Dec 2013 10CM FLUX: 133 / AP: 001
PREDICTIONS FOR 29 Dec 2013 10CM FLUX: 133 / AP: 001
PREDICTIONS FOR 30 Dec 2013 10CM FLUX: 133 / AP: 005
COMMENT: There were six C flares on the Sun during the past 24 hours. The
brightest one was a C2.3 flare released by NOAA AR 11934, which peaked at
23:36 UT on December 27. Since AR 11934 and 11936 are still showing flux
emergence, the probability for C flares over the next 48 hours is high
(around 90%) and for M flares around 25%. Over the past 24 hours, the solar
wind speed as observed by ACE gradually decreased from about 310 km/s to
about 280 km/s. Around 18h UT on December 27, the magnitude of the
Interplanetary Magnetic Field dropped suddenly from about 8 nT to about 3
nT. A continuation of nominal solar wind conditions is expected on December
28-30. Geomagnetic activity has been quiet over the past 24 hours (NOAA Kp
between 0 and 2). Quiet geomagnetic conditions (K Dourbes < 4) are expected
on December 28, 29, and 30, with a slight chance of active conditions (K
Dourbes = 4) in the first half of December 30 (in case the Earth suffers a
glancing blow from the CME first observed by LASCO C2 at 7:36 UT on
December 26).
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 066, BASED ON 17 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 27 Dec 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 131
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 005
AK WINGST : 002
ESTIMATED AP : 002
ESTIMATED ISN : 077, BASED ON 13 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END
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22070. S21

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-28 15:42:39 UTC
From: donhall161
Topic: 22070 Message: 22070

My LoTW credits for S21ZBC appeared today. Good job by the expedition on timing. Glad to get 10 and 12M. Thanks to the twin peak sunspot cycle!!

73 Don K5AQ

22071. RE: [DX-IS] S21

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-28 16:10:53 UTC
From: KQ8M
Topic: 22070 Message: 22071

I also received mine today. Glad my LOTW application on Christmas day has already been processed. I can make another at year end.

73,

Tim Herrick, KQ8M

Charter Member North Coast Contesters

kq8m@...

AR-Cluster V6 kq8m.no-ip.org

User Ports: 23, 7373 with local skimmer, 7374 without local skimmer

Server Ports: V6 3607, V4 Active 3605, V4 Passive 3606

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of donhall161
Sent: Saturday, December 28, 2013 10:43 AM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [DX-IS] S21

My LoTW credits for S21ZBC appeared today. Good job by the expedition on timing. Glad to get 10 and 12M. Thanks to the twin peak
sunspot cycle!!

73 Don K5AQ

22072. RE: [DX-IS] S21

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-28 20:23:47 UTC
From: <kb1jzu@...>
Topic: 22070 Message: 22072

Tim you might want to hold out to the last minute...Still holding out hope for T33A
/bob

22073. RE: [DX-IS] S21

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-28 21:02:29 UTC
From: KQ8M
Topic: 22070 Message: 22073

Good Point Bob. I am also waiting for T33A. Was a new one several bands and RTTY for me.

73,

Tim Herrick, KQ8M

Charter Member North Coast Contesters

kq8m@...

AR-Cluster V6 kq8m.no-ip.org

User Ports: 23, 7373 with local skimmer, 7374 without local skimmer

Server Ports: V6 3607, V4 Active 3605, V4 Passive 3606

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of kb1jzu@...
Sent: Saturday, December 28, 2013 3:24 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: RE: [DX-IS] S21

Tim you might want to hold out to the last minute...Still holding out hope for T33A

/bob

22074. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-29 15:30:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 22074

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:Issued: 2013 Dec 29 1325 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 31229
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 29 Dec 2013, 1312UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 29 Dec 2013 until 31 Dec 2013)
SOLAR FLARES : Active (M-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Quiet (A<20 and K<4)
SOLAR PROTONS : Warning condition (activity levels expected to increase, but no numeric
forecast given)
PREDICTIONS FOR 29 Dec 2013 10CM FLUX: 138 / AP: 004
PREDICTIONS FOR 30 Dec 2013 10CM FLUX: 143 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 31 Dec 2013 10CM FLUX: 143 / AP: 004
COMMENT: There were one M flare and nine C flares on the Sun during the
past 24 hours. The M3.1 flare was released by NOAA AR 11936, and peaked at
07:56 UT on December 29. The probability for C flares over the next 48
hours is very high (around 95%) and for M flares around 55%. There is a
slight chance for an X flare, especially from AR 11936. The > 10 MeV
proton flux as observed by GOES13 started rising near 18:50 UT on December
28. It exceeded the threshold level of 10 pfu around 21:50 UT, and attained
a peak value of 29 pfu at 23:15 UT. It went under the 10 pfu threshold
again at 7:50 UT on December 29, and is further decreasing. The > 50 MeV
and > 100 MeV proton flux have also increased, but have not exceeded the 10
pfu threshold. This proton event is most probably associated with the halo
CME first observed by LASCO C2 at 17:36 UT on December 28, which is
probably linked to a backsided eruption. A warning condition for further
proton storms is issued. Around 13h UT on December 28, the solar wind speed
as observed by ACE suddenly increased above its plateau of around 300 km/s,
and gradually rose further to a plateau of around 370 km/s. During the past
24 hours, the magnitude of the Interplanetary Magnetic Field varied between
about 3 nT and 9 nT. A continuation of nominal solar wind conditions is
expected on December 29-31. Geomagnetic activity has been quiet over the
past 24 hours (NOAA Kp between 1 and 2). Quiet geomagnetic conditions (K
Dourbes < 4) are expected on December 29, 30, and 31, with a slight chance
of active conditions (K Dourbes = 4) in the first half of December 30 (in
case the Earth suffers a glancing blow from the CME first observed by LASCO
C2 at 7:36 UT on December 26).
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 087, BASED ON 23 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 28 Dec 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 135
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AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 006
AK WINGST : 002
ESTIMATED AP : 002
ESTIMATED ISN : 069, BASED ON 25 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
29 0749 0756 0800 S18E01 M3.1 1N 110 ///1936 V/2III/2
END

22075. New IRCs on-line

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-29 15:37:54 UTC
From: Joe Subich, W4TV
Topic: 22075 Message: 22075

Since the US Postal service no longer sells IRCs and the various
QSL managers who periodically sell recycled IRCs are asking $2.65
or more each, there are at least two countries that will sell IRCs
on-line:

The Swiss Post Office sells IRCs at http://postshop.ch - a pack of
10 is CHF 20 (presumably including VAT - I don't know if it is
actually charged on international shipments). At current exchange
rates that's $2.25 US each. The picture shown is of the "new"
version. The description says: Art. no.: 1943400
Available for delivery: Worldwide

The direct link is:
<https://sso.post.ch/shops/en/Products/Stamps-philately/For-Collectors/Ready-to-post-produ
cts/International-reply-coupon-1943400?L=1&I=1>

The Iceland Post Office also shows IRCs on their web shop at
http://stamps/postur.is - listed price is ISK 295. At current
exchange rates that is about $2.55 US. There is no information
on international sales but the site is generally a philatelic
site through which Iceland Post sells collector stamps globally
and the check-out contains a currency calculator which lists
US Dollars.

The direct link for the IRC is:
<http://stamps.postur.is/en/desktopdefault.aspx/tabid-387/523_read-2691/>

73,

... Joe, W4TV

22076. RE: New IRCs on-line

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-29 15:41:20 UTC
From: <kb1jzu@...>
Topic: 22075 Message: 22076

Thanks Joe
There are still some folks who will only accept a direct QSL with 1 or 2 IRCs
Bob

22077. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1143

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-29 21:13:34 UTC
From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Topic: 22077 Message: 22077

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Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
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*** SPECIAL NOTE FROM EDITOR (Tedd, KB8NW): My family (wife/OPDX's chief proof-reader Linda, son Teddy [TJ] and his wife Jessi, daughter Katie and her husband Kevin and son Lliam), and I (KB8NW) would like to wish all DXers, Contesters and OPDX readers a very "Happy New Year". Thanks to the many individuals who have provided DX information over the past year. Without them there would not be an OPDX Bulletin. Also, thanks to the individuals who sent holiday wishes to my family and me.....
73 and Have a Great/Safe/Healthy New Year de Tedd KB8NW

DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 22nd-December, through Sunday, 29th-December there were 220 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3B9, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4X, 5A, 5B, 5R, 5W, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9Q, 9V, 9X, 9Y, A2, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BS7, BV, BY, C3, C6, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D6, DL, DU, E5/s, E6, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, F, FG, FH, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FW, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, H40, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HC8, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J5, J6, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ5, PJ7, PY, PZ, S2, S5, S7, S9, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TR, TT, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V3, V4, V5, V6, V8, VE, VK, VK9N, VP2V, VP5, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XW, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS, ZS8

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

1A, SOVEREIGN MILITARY ORDER OF MALTA (Reminder). An "international team" of operators led by Francesco, IK0FVC, will be active as 1A0KM from the Sovereign Military Order of Malta (SMOM) between January 2-7th (2014). At present time, operators will be Francesco/IK0FVC, Luciano/I0JBL, Sergio/IK0FTA, Roberto/IK0PRG, Michele/IW0BYL, Gianfranco/I0ZY, Antonio/ I0GOJ, Fabrizio/I0HCJ, Marco/IK0DWN, Giordano/IK0XFD, Gianluca/IK5HHA, Cristiano/IZ0IEN, Andrea/IZ0NRG, Rudi/DK7PE, Franz/DJ9ZB, Seppo/OH1VR, Robert/S53R and Sandro/VE7NY. QSL via Sergio, IK0FTA, and also LoTW. 1A0KM operation supports the DX-Code of conduct. Online log facility will be also available. Look for more details to be forthcoming. Also, a Web page is now up and running, but with limited info at: http://www.1a0km.org

5C, MOROCCO. Ruggero, IK2PZC, will once again be active as 5C2P between February 6-9th. Activity will will be on HF bands using SSB and RTTY. He will also be in the CQ WPX RTTY Contest (February 8-9th). QSL via IK2PZC.

5Z, KENYA. "DX-World.net" reports that Scott, WA5A,will be active as 5Z4/WA5A from Ruaka starting around the first week of January 2014, until about January 28th. Activity will be holiday style on the HF bands. QSL via his home callsign.

6W, SENEGAL. Just a reminder that Francis, F6BLP, will once again be active as 6W7SK from Saly Portudal, 80 kms south of Dakar on the coast, between January 3-31st, 2014. Activity will be holiday style using the same station as last time (IC-7000 into G5RV antenna) operating mainly CW on 80-10 meters. If possible, he also hopes to be active on 160m with an Inverted L. QSL via F6BLP, direct or by the Bureau. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW and eQSL. For more details, logs and pictures of his last operation, visit: http://www.f6blp.org

7Q, MALAWI. Ken, LA7GIA, is expected to be active as 7Q7GIA for one week in May/June of 2014. QSL via his home callsign.

8Q, MALDIVES. By the time you read this, Mike, OE1SSS, will be in the Maldives and plans to be active as 8Q7SM. On his QRZ.com page, Mike states from December 28th to January 4th, he and his XYL will stay on the boat "SCUBASPA" for diving. After this trip, they will go to the Kandooma Resort and stay on the island until January 11th. Activity will be on 40/30/20/10 meters (depending on the conditions and his XYL). QSL via his home callsign.

C5, THE GAMBIA. Pedro, ON7WP/C5WP, announced on QRZ.com that he and Andre, ON7YK/C5YK, are or will be the only two permanent licensed hams in The Gambia for 2014 (as of now). Pedro will be active between January 11-15th, from the village Buntu (where he does charity care), and has set up his permanent base station (Kenwood TRC-80 Bush Radio and a brand new 5 band Spiderbeam). He also states [edited], "Additionally, I will

put up some traveling wave V-beam antennas to USA and EU. We will also try some low band activity, but due to poor soil conductivity I expect not too much apart from extremely low noise levels (closest electricity wall outlet is 80 km away). Between January 16-22nd, we will move to the Kololi area where we will try some serious Low Band stuff based on a sea mounted vertical, together with dipoles and the V-beam for the high bands." See QRZ.com for QSL info.

C6, BAHAMAS. John, 9H5G, will once again be active as 9H5G/C6A from Stocking Island, Great Bahama Bank (NA-001), between January 1-31st, 2014. Activity is usually on 160-10 meters, using SSB and the Digital modes (PSK/RTTY/JT65/JT9). He announced on QRZ.com, "I intend to travel throughout the Bahamas during the winter and spring of 2014 activating the following groups: NA-001 Great Bahama Bank group, NA-113 36.6% South Bahamas group, NA-054 Berry Islands and NA-048 Bimini Islands. Some of these are rarer than others, but since I will be traveling by boat, I am required to validate NA-054 and NA-048 through the IOTA Committee. I also hope to activate some islands that are not on the list, even although they seem to qualify (Hogsty Reef, Melita Cay). I hope to have more information on this soon." Watch QRZ.com for updates. QSL via LoTW, eQSL or direct to Buzz, NI5DX.

C9, MOZAMBIQUE (Update). Karel, ZS6ALB, informs OPDX that he is now permanently based in Mozambique and is active as C91KHN (C91C during contest) from Matola, Mozambiue (Grid locater KG64fa). He has been busy upgrading his station, changing the current Hygain tri-bander for a Mosley 67B 6-bander. However, Karel informed OPDX on Christmas Eve that he "will be away for the festive season and will be back in C9 country on 13 January 2014." After the upgrades, he states that he will be active on the following bands and modes:
Band Operations: 6m - 5 element Yagi
40/20/17/15/12/10m - Mosley 67B
Modes: SSB and Digitals modes PSK31, RTTY and JT65A (using Rigblaster Advantage)
QSL via his home callsign direct (preferred). Log will be uploaded to LoTW and ClubLog.

C9, MOZAMBIQUE (Update). By the time you read this, operators John/ZS5J and YL Beth/2W0VOW will once again be in Ponta de Ouro and be active as C91J and C91B, respectively. John informs OPDX that their "ten day C91J and C91B DXpedition (earlier this month) was such a success (and really enjoyable) that we have negotiated with the owner of the sea-view cabin we stayed in, to go back for another ten days. We will be in Mozambique tomorrow 28th December through 6th January. We will be taking more antennas this time, specifically...resonant antennas on 40/17/12, so we will be able to use the amplifier on these bands, which we were not able to do on our last trip. So, 40 - 6 meters, SSB, CW and we will attempt the digital modes and RTTY also." Remember, you can see pictures from Beth on QRZ.com under C91B. QSL only direct to PO Box 102303, Meerensee, 3901 SOUTH AFRICA (with 3 USDs and your QSL card, and you willvget a QSL card back direct via air mail).

CE, CHILE. Bob, YV5IAL, will be active as CE2/homecall from Valparaiso between January 2-30th, 2014. Activity will be on 40-10 meters using PSK-31 with some SSB. QSL via his home callsign, by the Bureau or direct.

DL60, GERMANY (Special Event). OV Mainz, DL0MZ, will be celebrating 60 years of activity and will be active between January 1st and December 31st, 2014, as DL60JMZ from the special DOK 60K07. QSL via the Bureau.

EA, SPAIN (via 60m News). Javier, EA7OP, is reporting that SETSI is allowing EA stations to operate on 60m band between January-July 2014 on a channel basis. Allowed channels [kHz]: 5268, 5295, 5313, 5382, 5430 and 5439. The bandwidth to be used is 3 kHz. Power output 100W. Modes CW/SSB.

FR/T, TROMELIN (Press Release)[edited]: "Hi friends -- Most of the DXers consider entities as check boxes to tick once the country is worked and confirmed. That's the game! However, we hope to bring you a lot more than just a simple check mark as you discover our next destination... Let's talk about the 9th most wanted DXCC entity according to the Clublog statistics, an empty box for 75% of the amateur radio community.
Tromelin, as well as Glorioso, Juan de Nova, Europa, belongs to the □Eparses□, a French word to name these small islands scattered around Madagascar. These French territories are administered by the TAAF (Terres Australes et Antarctiques Françaises). Their access is strictly controlled and regulated in particular for ecological reasons. Tromelin is the smallest one (1 square km) and the human impact is all the more sensitive. That's the only island where there are no French military troops and only 2 agents of the TAAF are posted there continuously.
The last operation took place in 2000. A 4 men team made 50,000 contacts with the callsign FR/F6KDF/T. No authorization has been given ever since. 2014 will be the 60th anniversary of the 1st hamradio activity from Tromelin. The operator was Marc, FB8BK/T.
Today, after some successful collaborative work with the TAAF authorities, we are proud to announce that we received our landing permission and got the green light to conduct an amateur radio operation on this remote island. We'll be active on Tromelin from October 30th to November 10th, 2014.
6 operators have been allowed to stay of the island. They have been selected for their experience and all six are ready to face the challenge. The team is made up of Seb/F5UFX, Michel/FM5CD, Flo/F5CWU, Eric/F5SIH, Franck/F4AJQ, and Fred/F5ROP.
The request is huge and we are conscious of this. For this reason, we are working hard in order to prepare our operation in depth. Some places in the world will have short openings and we□ll do our best to exploit these short moments with proper planning adjusted with the help of pilots.
The coming months will be devoted to the search of sponsors. We already have part of the equipment but partnership with equipment suppliers will be essential. On the other hand, we will contact foundations, clubs, organizations to request assistance to help us balance our budget, estimated at 90,000 USDs, most of which is devoted to logistic costs.
Our website is online. All details regarding the progress, plans of the DXpedition and sponsorship opportunities will be accessible through

dedicated pages.... http://www.tromelin2014.com
We will regularly keep updating you until our departure.

Team Tromelin 2014
Seb F5ufx, leader@... "

HI, DOMINICAN REPUBLIC. Look for a Russian team to be active as HI8/homecall from the Dominican Republic between December 30th and January 7th. Operators mentioned are Andrey/RU4LG, Dmitry/RA4LB, Serge/UA4LGS and Pavel/UA4LL. Activity will be on the HF bands using CW, SSB, PSK and RTTY. The group may participate in the ARRL RTTY Roundup Contest (January 4-5th). QSL via their home callsigns.

IOTA NEWS.....
AF-032. Vittorio, I2GPT, will be active as 5H1VC from Zanzibar Island (WLOTA 1080, WWFF 5HFF-003) between January 4-12th, 2014. Activity will be on 40-10 meters using CW and RTTY (20m only) for the first time (Please have patience). QSL via RW6HS, direct (see QRZ.com) or by the Bureau.

OC-042. Mike, W6QT, will be active as DU3/W6QT from Luzon Island until March 2014. Activity has been 40/20/15/10 meters, but he actually likes working the lower bands. QSL via his home callsign.

OC-139. Andy, VK5MAV, will once again be active as VK5MAV/p from Kangaroo Island (WLOTA 0869) between February 3-10th, 2014. Activity will be holiday style on 40-10 meters using mostly CW. For direct QSLs, read details on QRZ.com. If you are not in a rush, all QSLs will be sent via the QSL Bureau 6-7 months later. Free of charge! Logsearch and QSL requests are also via the ClubLog OQRS system.

SA-025. (Delayed) Operators Raimundo/PT7CG and Renner/PY7RP were expected to be active as ZX8DX from Pedra do Sal Beach on Grande de Santa Isabel Island between December 26-30th. However, the ZX8DX operation was delayed. PT7CG intends to activate the island in the first two weeks of January.

ISWL CALLSIGNS (For January). The following ISWL club callsigns will be used throughout the month of January 2014:
GX4BJC/A - Operated from Great Sutton, in Cheshire, by Geof/M0BAU. (WAB Square SJ37 - England, IOTA EU-005 and WLOTA LH-1841).
MX1SWL/A - Operated from Skegby, in Nottinghamshire, by Merv/G0UJD. (/A WAB Square SK56 - England, IOTA EU-005 and WLOTA LH-1841).

ALL QSLs will be handled by Herbie, G6XOU, and NOT the individual operator. The I.S.W.L. is a member of the European PSK Club. All QSL info is on <www.iswl.org.uk> or <www.qrz.com> or via <www.eQSL.cc>. NO LoTW. I.S.W.L. Awards are available to all Hams and SWLs, see <www.iswl.org.uk> for full details. The eQSL.cc cards ARE welcomed for their awards.

J7, DOMINICA. John, AD8J, will be active as J79JG between January 29th
and February 7th. Operation will be mostly CW, holiday style when not
scuba diving. QSL to his home callsign or LoTW.

PJ4, BONAIRE (Update). Bill, K9HZ, is now active as PJ4HZ (not PJ4/K9HZ
as first reported) from Bonaire (SA-006) until January 4th, 2014. Activity
will be on 80-6 meters using QSL via his home callsign direct, LoTW and
eQSL. NO Bureau QSLs.

PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (December 30th-January 5th)....
Dec/30th AN Jan/02nd AN Jan/04th BN
Dec/31st AN Jan/03rd AN Jan/05th AN
Jan/01st AN

SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS/INDEXES AND GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE
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NORMALITY GEOMAG K Values Alpha
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AN - Above Normal Quiet K=0-1 0-7
HN - High Normal Unsettled K=2 8-15
LN - Low Normal Active K=3 16-29
BN - Below Normal Minor Storm K=4 30-49
DIS - Disturbed Major Storm K=5 50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed Severe Storm K=6-9 100-400

OF9, FINLAND (SANTA QRT). From the Offices of Santa Claus, Lapland, Finland
-- OF9X SANTA WENT QRT WEDNESDAY, DEC.25 AT 07 UTC -- This year, Santa
Claus of Amateur Radio fame was somewhat different than in the past. A
total of fifteen (15) radio operating elves and their support personnel
brought Santa and Christmas cheer to ham families in a very special way,
with several added elements to highlight the Festive Season. Not only
were some 21.000 QSOs uploaded to ClubLog but associated with these QSOs
were many interesting occasions when Santa was in personal contact with
children all across the world. Those are moments to be treasured!
Of those 21.000 QSOs, a sizable proportion were made on CW as well as
on low bands, utilizing state-of-the-art remote technology of Radio Arcala,
OH8X. Moreover, extensive special hardware elsewhere was employed to add
to highly dedicated operators in the Far North. Everyone was determined
to push their personal Christmas envelope to its limit.
Santa would like to summarize your eligibility for the Santa Claus
(CW) Award which you can order by E-mail at <of9x@...>. You can
check your QSOs at <http://qrz.com/db/OF9X>.
1: You have a QSO with OF9X on SSB & CW - also 2012 Santa QSOs count.
2: You have only one 2013 QSO with OF9X - here correct passwords from
the Christmas Puzzle at qrz.com would compensate.

Additionally, you can A:) order a Bureau card, B:) direct airmail QSL
cards, and C:) a direct Award and QSL cards through ClubLog's OQRS facility.
See again the QRZ.com re: OF9X....
Thank you for contacting Santa on many modes and bands during Christmas
2013. Hopefully we will meet again next year.

OF9X Santa Claus and his elves - OH0XX, OH1JD, OH1TX, OH2BCI, OH2BEE,
OH2BH, OH2BR, OH2FPK (YL) , OH2FPX (YL),
OH2KM, OH2PM, OH2TA, OH6CT, OH6KN and OH6KZP

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (December 29th)

4L5O via N3SL HC8VWT/HC1 via K8FC SE2I via SA2BRN
4L8A via K1BV HK1N via EA5KB SH0G via SM0SHG
7X4AN via EA3GSS (d) I6/K1FM via K1FM SN0KDD via SP3POW
9A/S53V via S53V II3CW via IQ3GA (d) SO110RAEM via SP2FAP
9Q0AR via ON4CFC JW/PY2SEX via DL1NX T8CW via JA0FOX
9X0ZM via JO1CRA LU7YS via EA7HBC TM400M via F1EOY
A25CE via DK1CE LZ867MWB via LZ1KCP V44KAI via W5TFW
A25DJ via DJ2HD N4AF via RN3RQ (d/B/L) V5/DL3DXX via V5/DL3DXX
A25WO via DH3WO OA2/AL4Q via DJ8QP VK4EI via NR6M
A61DD via EA7HBC (d) OR1Z via ON6IX (d/e) WH0AU via JP3WAU
EA8/DJ9BN via DJ9BN OT6V via ON6VI XE1/DJ4EL via DJ4EL
EH1NAV via EA1OK OX3XR via PA3249 (d) YF1AR/8 via N2OO
EI0YOTA via ON9CFG PJ4/K9HZ via K9HZ YP20ARER via YO6CUF
EX8BS via RW6HS (d) PT5T via K3IRV YP9L via YO9GJY
FW5JJ via F5RXL R2014CC via R6CC YW0A via EB7DX
H40TA via DK9FN (d*) R7378TM via RM8W ZT1T via ZS1AFS (d)
HC2IMP via IK2DUW S506SLG via S59DCD ZW5W via PP5BZ

(e) eQSL only (d) direct only (B) Bureau only (L) LoTW only
(*) With Donation for social service.

IRC REDEMPTION ETC... QSL Manager Phil, G3SWH, reports: "Hi gang -- Just
a cautionary note for those of you who still use IRCs. With effect from
1st January 2014 and in common with most other UK based QSL managers, I
will *NOT* be accepting IRCs for payment for return postage. They are
just too much hassle. OQRS and US dollars are much preferred and easier
to handle. Please take a look at <http://www.g3swh.org.uk/postage.html>
which has been in place for about six months. In that time, I have
received probably less than 10 of the new, 2017 expiry IRCs.....
73 and Happy New Year to you all"

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 9H3TX, BG2AUE, F1RHS, F5MMB, G3YNN, HA1AD,
JH7MQD, JW/PY2SEX, JW7XM, K4W, K9W, LA7HJA, M7X, OE6MDF, OK1WCF, OL7M,
ON5GQ, PA0O, PJ4A, R7MA, RK9UAH, S21ZBB, S21ZBC, SP6GF, VE9DX, VU3WIJ,
YT5EPP, YQ6A, XZ1J and Z81X

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3D2GC, 5A1AL, 5J0R, CR5CW, EF3EGB, HP0INT/2,
HP0INT/3, HP0INT/9, J87GU and Z81X

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 7Z1HL, 9Q6AL, AA5AT, DJ3FS, DK2CH, DL2HWH,
DL4FCH, DL8GP, DO5MCL/LH, DP1POL, EA1HNW, F-10828, HZ1EA, I0NUM, IK0RCY,
IW3SGT, IZ5HNI, JA1NUX, JA3CG/1, JA3EGY, JF3SUL, KA1ERL, LX2LA, NI0B,
NJ1H, OK1NZJ, OM5MF, OZ1GEJ, OZ8SW, PE1GUR, RA0FD, RV9DD, S53F, SP1DMD,
SP3RBG, SQ3LLJ, SQ6MIP, SQ8KEZ, SV1GYG, SV2FLQ, T5TC, V21ZG, V31YN,
VE3KI, VK1WJ, VU-0020, W5FK, W9II, YW5F and YZ1V

SOUTHEAST ASIAN TOUR. Toshi, JA8BMK, will activate two DXCC entities during the first two months of the new year. Activity will be holiday style using a HEX beam/wire antennas/Inv.Vee. Operations will be on 160-10 meters. Toshi informs OPDX that the modes will be CW and SSB, not sure about the Digital (says may be not). He will use a K2 with a 500w amp. QSL via JA8BMK, by the Bureau or direct (see QRZ.com). His tentative schedule (Starting/Ending dates are flexible) and callsigns are as follows:
January 15-30th - Callsign is XW8BM; from Vientiane, Laos.
February 15th-March 2nd (possibly 25th) - Callsign is XV2BM; from Nha Trang (eastcost of South China Sea), Vietnam.

MORE INFO FROM JA8BMK (Just before going to print!)[edited]: "I will leave Japan for Vientiane via China on Jan. 11, 2014, and I am scheduled to receive the license at PTT office. The thing is the location to operate. Vientiane is not a exceptional, noisy city and it seems very difficult to put up a vertical antennas for low bands. I will spend a few days to find a good location for antenna installation. Also, I must explain to the hotel people about what amateur radio is. Sometime, they do not give the permission to visitors as they have no knowledge on amateur radio. However, I succeeded in 3D (Fiji) land by explaining about BBC which I like to listen to.
Regarding my antennas, I left them in Nepal. They are KIO Hex beam and wire/vertical and coax cable for the next operation. This time I bought another Hex beam from DX Engineering. This is a very good antenna and seems strong. But the problem is that it takes a long time and I modified it so that Airline company (China Eastern) will accept the size which is only 158cm total dimension X+Y+Z as maximum. They will accept two of 23kg per person, I got 92kg for the luggage with two persons, my wife and I. The 158cm as a total dimension is now popular. The longest length is 96cm after modifying and I made a wooden box for them(28x30x100cm O.D.). KIO Hex beam seems cheaper and lighter, and simpler to assemble compared with DX Eng. Hex beam. For DXpedition, I like to recommend KIO.
The license fee is not cheap in XW (may be, in XV, too) as well as 9N. The fee should be calculated according to how many bands, how much power, what frequency, what mode and how many days. These factors can be multiplied. I heard in XW PTT office that one Russian guy payed over 2,500 US dollar before!
My schedule is not sure after XW operation. But I will be in Indo-China until Mar. 28th, 2014, and will try to visit some other entity if I have time. Anyway, I am traveling with my wife, I will not be so free as I must take care of her."

T6, AFGHANISTAN. T6EUPOL is the official ham radio station of the "European Union Police" (EUPOL) Mission in Afghanistan. The station is operated by Janusz, home callsign: AK4JK (aka T6/ZS5ADU). No QSNs have been listed yet on the DXCluster networks. QSL only direct to the AK4JK postal address together with the SAE plus 2 USDs for postage.

T8, PALAU. Masa, JN3MXT, will be active as T88MX from "VIP Guest Hotel" (Free Radio Room) on Koro Island (OC-009) between January 25-30th. Activity will be on the HF bands using mainly SSB and RTTY. QSL via his home callsign.

TM11, FRANCE (Special Event). Look for special event station TM11AAW to be on air February 1-2nd, 7-10th and 14-23rd. Activity is to celebrate the 11th Antarctic Activity Week. Operation will be made by François, F8DVD, from his QTH of Mâcon in the east part of France, 60 km, North of Lyon. The new reference for WAP program is 245. Activity will be on 40-10 meters, mostly SSB. QSL via F8DVD, by the Bureau or direct (SAE + 1 new IRC or 2 USDs) to: François Bergez 6, rue de la Liberté F- 71000 MACON FRANCE. E-mail: a.pole@... <mailto:a.pole%40laposte.net>
For more details, visit: http://tm11aaw.monsite-orange.fr
--or--
http://www.qrz.com/db/TM11AAW

TY, BENIN (Update). Wim, ON6DX (ex-ON4CIT), who was active as 5V7TH recently from Togo, announced this past week he finally received his Benin callsign TY1TT from the telecom authorities. He states, "Was not easy, took me the longest time and most expensive ever to get a callsign. Now I can plan flights and lodging beginning 2014 in Benin." No specific dates were mentioned yet. Activity will be from Grand PoPo and operations will be on 20/17/15/12/10/6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. Wim did mention, "Clublog is a fine tool, but this year: OQRS QSL: Yes, but... But no more clublog leaderboards." Read his reason and look for updates at: http://www.dxpedition.be/Benin.html

VQ9, CHAGOS (Update). Last week we reported that Jim, ND9M, is once again active as VQ9JC from Diego Garcia. Jim informed OPDX that he arrived on the island a month ago, but he had to get his license renewed; it expired a couple days before he landed. Jim states, "Normally, I get it renewed within one business day, but this time there was an administrative hiccup that led to a month-long delay. The British military officer in charge of the island ☐ called the 'Brit Rep' ☐ was new to his post here. He read all the can's and cannot's of the job, and the legal info about issuing ham licenses says that tickets are signed by the Territorial Commissioner who's back in the U.K. The Brit Rep finally got the official word last week that issuing authority was delegated to the local office, and my license was signed the next day. This was the first time in the 15 years I've been coming here that anything like that had happened. In fact, licensing had been so smooth here that in 2008, I walked in to the Brit Rep's office without an appointment and left 45 minutes later with not only a signed renewal for my regular VQ9JC license but also a special temporary license for my VQ98JC operation. I wonder if anyone else can claim receiving two licenses fully authorized without previous notice that fast! Anyway, I'm still operating Field Day style from the covered picnic table at the park which has AC power and dozens of gecko lizards chasing the bugs. The table is about 30 feet from the wall of the jungle, and this weekend I'll try to thread a 135-foot OCF dipole through all the trees in the jungle so that I can not only leave the antenna up but also have multi-band capability. If I hoist the antenna where it can be seen, I would stand a very good chance of it being quickly removed as the 150 pound fishing line that I use to secure the antenna and the copper wire are both precious commodities here. The OCF dipole doesn't work on 15m, 30m, or 60m, even with a matchbox, so I'll put up separate dipoles for

15 and 30 and feed those two and the OCF to a switch. I don't know yet if I'll put up a 60m dipole. The 80m OCF is going to be a big enough project just to get it hoisted to only 25 feet; the jungle's pretty thick! I'll also be putting up a 20m dipole and maybe a 30m dipole as well on the ship. Obviously, I sign /MM during any contacts made from the ship as I did earlier this year. Contacts with me as /MM aren't valid for DXCC of course, but SKCC ops can count them if my ship's QTH is near the island. The rig is an FT-857D. I'll be running 100 watts most of the time, but I'm expecting to do some QRP work from here too. Most of my operating will be CW as usual (with a cootie most times), but I'll be on SSB occasionally. Also, I'm a rookie when it comes to digital comms, but I'm hoping to get my Rigblaster and FLDigi software configured to do some PSK and RTTY work. While on board the ship, I use an Icom IC-760 that I have set up in my service shop. I feed the coax through a helicopter control center that's directly above my shop. My shipboard antennas are about 115 feet above the water line. I don't have internet connectivity when I'm at my operating QTH on the island, so I obviously can't help with real-time QSY requests or the ever present 'EU PSE' when I'm calling for NA & SA stations." OPDX asked Jim about the status of the club station, possibly using a special VQ prefix for 2014, activity on the satellites and if he would attend the 2014 Dayton HamVention, and he replied, "Yeah, the ham club station is gone forever unfortunately. The log periodic has been grounded and dismantled, and everything in the shack has been turned back over to the Navy. I'm here six months out of the year of course, but once Larry, VQ9LA left three years ago, there was no one reliably present during my off times. When the Navy's MWR office personnel made a routine visit, they found nobody there since I was Stateside, so they decided that the club was no longer in use and took what they thought were appropriate steps. By the time I got back to the island and worked my way up the chain of command, the deal had been sealed. And yes, I'm working the satellites out here although there aren't many ops to work. I'll be on the birds when I get home again next year. I don't know yet if my XYL Cori (KK4CGA) and I will be at Dayton this coming May or not. We're hoping to go to New England for the ARRL Centennial in July, and we'll likely do only one trip. My assignment schedule has me returning to the ship a few days days before the national convention, and I'm trying to work things out with the guy that's here when I'm off ship for him to stay a little longer so that I can attend. He hasn't given me a firm answer yet though..... My plan for 2014 is to get VQ94JC issued for sometime during the second half of the year. The local licensing office has no requirements toward my getting a ticket other than having one already issued by the FCC. My US license expires in April, and the FCC won't enable the renewing process until 90 days before the expiration date, so I have to wait until early January to do that. If I can get the renewed license here - actually just a scanned copy will do and my XYL will send that - I can turn that over to the local office, and they should issue me the short-term ticket. Emphasis on special. It's all legal of course, but the folks in that office are all British military who typically do one-year tours here before being

re-assigned, so I can never assume that the next person will cooperate. I'm optimistic though as I've already had 7 VQ9xJC licenses plus the VQ975FOC ticket earlier this year, so the precedent's pretty well established. When I started doing the VQ9xJC bit in 2007, I did it just for fun and I thought the WPX chasers would like it. I really didn't expect to still be doing it after so many years. Now I'm looking ahead at rounding out the decade of annual special callsigns and thinking about what special prefix variation to initiate after the 10th one!" QSL via ND9M.

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** IMPORTANT NOTICE/REMINDER ** The Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin now has a new FAX number. Contributors can now send/fax their DX information to the following number: 1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)
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SPECIAL NOTE BY EDITOR (Updated 09/15/2013): If you are having a problem receiving bounced mail by sending mail to me via <kb8nw@...>, please send mail to me via <kb8nw@hotmail.com> ...... TNX de Tedd KB8NW
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Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@...?subject=unsubscribe>
OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):
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http://www.nodxa.org/
http://www.facebook.com/NorthernOhioDxAssociation

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CQ to Realign Publications, Launch New CQ Plus Digital Supplement
Hicksville, NY (December 23, 2013) -- CQ Communications, Inc. today announced plans to realign its roster of publications and to launch an exciting new online supplement to its flagship magazine, CQ Amateur Radio.

"The hobby radio market is changing," said CQ Communications President and Publisher Dick Ross, K2MGA, "and we are changing what we do and how we do it in order to continue providing leadership to all segments of the radio hobby." CQ Communications is currently the only publisher in the United States serving the broad radio hobby, from broadcast band DXing to amateur radio moonbounce and satellite communications. CQ itself has been amateur radio's leading independent voice for seven decades.

Effective with the February 2014 issue of CQ, said Ross, content from the magazine's three sister publications, Popular Communications, CQ VHF and WorldRadio Online, will be incorporated into CQ's digital edition as a supplement to be called "CQ Plus." With this change, hobby radio enthusiasts of all types will be able to go to a single source - CQ - for articles on the broader aspects of hobby radio, from shortwave listening and scanner monitoring to personal two-way services and Internet radio, as well as amateur radio. Richard Fisher, KI6SN, currently Editor of both Popular Communications and WorldRadio Online, will be Editor of CQ Plus.

"Our primary audience is ham radio operators," explained Ross, "but very few hams began their radio involvement as amateurs. Most of us started out as shortwave listeners, broadcast band DXers, CBers or scanning enthusiasts. Many continue to be involved in many different aspects of the radio hobby in addition to amateur radio."

"By consolidating four specialized publications into one," Ross continued, "we will be better able to keep these multidimensional readers informed on all aspects of the radio hobby while simultaneously exposing those who are not hams to all the excitement and opportunities that amateur radio has to offer. We see this as a win-win for all of our readers and our advertisers, who will now be able to reach a wider and more diverse audience."

The expanded material will be an integral part of the digital edition of CQ, and will be included as part of a standard digital subscription. Each month's digital edition will simply continue beyond where the print edition ends, offering supplemental material on all aspects of hobby radio communication and will include selected columns carried over from the other magazines. The added digital content will make full use of the multimedia opportunities presented by digital publications.

Current subscriptions to Popular Communications, CQ VHF and WorldRadio Online will be converted to CQ subscriptions - and receive CQ Plus at no additional charge! Details will be posted on each magazine website.

There's no need to wait to see the great variety of articles that will be featured each month in the new CQ and CQ Plus. A preview of the February issue's Table of Contents is available right now on the CQ website at <http://bit.ly/19mzbOK>.

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22078. Re: [DX-IS] Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1143

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-29 21:44:50 UTC
From: willis yule
Topic: 22077 Message: 22078

I have been receiving duplicate mailing for quite some time. I read with a great deal of enthusitic zeal, but one would be enough. My count is 319 and not going up very fast. My age is going up faster than my count! If correction is not possible, that is OK also.

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From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)
Sent: Sunday, December 29, 2013 3:13 PM
To: Ohio/Penn DX Mailing List
Subject: [DX-IS] Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1143

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*** SPECIAL NOTE FROM EDITOR (Tedd, KB8NW): My family (wife/OPDX's chief proof-reader Linda, son Teddy [TJ] and his wife Jessi, daughter Katie and her husband Kevin and son Lliam), and I (KB8NW) would like to wish all DXers, Contesters and OPDX readers a very "Happy New Year". Thanks to the many individuals who have provided DX information over the past year. Without them there would not be an OPDX Bulletin. Also, thanks to the individuals who sent holiday wishes to my family and me.....
73 and Have a Great/Safe/Healthy New Year de Tedd KB8NW

DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 22nd-December, through Sunday, 29th-December there were 220 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3B9, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4X, 5A, 5B, 5R, 5W, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9Q, 9V, 9X, 9Y, A2, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BS7, BV, BY, C3, C6, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D6, DL, DU,

E5/s, E6, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, F, FG, FH, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FW, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, H40, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HC8, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J5, J6, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ5, PJ7, PY, PZ, S2, S5, S7, S9, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TR, TT, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V3, V4, V5, V6, V8, VE, VK, VK9N, VP2V, VP5, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XW, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS, ZS8

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

1A, SOVEREIGN MILITARY ORDER OF MALTA (Reminder). An "international team" of operators led by Francesco, IK0FVC, will be active as 1A0KM from the Sovereign Military Order of Malta (SMOM) between January 2-7th (2014). At present time, operators will be Francesco/IK0FVC, Luciano/I0JBL, Sergio/IK0FTA, Roberto/IK0PRG, Michele/IW0BYL, Gianfranco/I0ZY, Antonio/I0GOJ, Fabrizio/I0HCJ, Marco/IK0DWN, Giordano/IK0XFD, Gianluca/IK5HHA, Cristiano/IZ0IEN, Andrea/IZ0NRG, Rudi/DK7PE, Franz/DJ9ZB, Seppo/OH1VR, Robert/S53R and Sandro/VE7NY. QSL via Sergio, IK0FTA, and also LoTW. 1A0KM operation supports the DX-Code of conduct. Online log facility will be also available. Look for more details to be forthcoming. Also, a Web page is now up and running, but with limited info at: http://www.1a0km.org

5C, MOROCCO. Ruggero, IK2PZC, will once again be active as 5C2P between February 6-9th. Activity will will be on HF bands using SSB and RTTY. He will also be in the CQ WPX RTTY Contest (February 8-9th). QSL via IK2PZC.

5Z, KENYA. "DX-World.net" reports that Scott, WA5A,will be active as 5Z4/WA5A from Ruaka starting around the first week of January 2014, until about January 28th. Activity will be holiday style on the HF bands. QSL via his home callsign.

6W, SENEGAL. Just a reminder that Francis, F6BLP, will once again be active as 6W7SK from Saly Portudal, 80 kms south of Dakar on the coast, between January 3-31st, 2014. Activity will be holiday style using the same station as last time (IC-7000 into G5RV antenna) operating mainly CW on 80-10 meters. If possible, he also hopes to be active on 160m with an Inverted L. QSL via F6BLP, direct or by the Bureau. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW and eQSL. For more details, logs and pictures of his last operation, visit: http://www.f6blp.org

7Q, MALAWI. Ken, LA7GIA, is expected to be active as 7Q7GIA for one week in May/June of 2014. QSL via his home callsign.

8Q, MALDIVES. By the time you read this, Mike, OE1SSS, will be in the Maldives and plans to be active as 8Q7SM. On his QRZ.com page, Mike states

from December 28th to January 4th, he and his XYL will stay on the boat "SCUBASPA" for diving. After this trip, they will go to the Kandooma Resort and stay on the island until January 11th. Activity will be on 40/30/20/10 meters (depending on the conditions and his XYL). QSL via his home callsign.

C5, THE GAMBIA. Pedro, ON7WP/C5WP, announced on QRZ.com that he and Andre, ON7YK/C5YK, are or will be the only two permanent licensed hams in The Gambia for 2014 (as of now). Pedro will be active between January 11-15th, from the village Buntu (where he does charity care), and has set up his permanent base station (Kenwood TRC-80 Bush Radio and a brand new 5 band Spiderbeam). He also states [edited], "Additionally, I will put up some traveling wave V-beam antennas to USA and EU. We will also try some low band activity, but due to poor soil conductivity I expect not too much apart from extremely low noise levels (closest electricity wall outlet is 80 km away). Between January 16-22nd, we will move to the Kololi area where we will try some serious Low Band stuff based on a sea mounted vertical, together with dipoles and the V-beam for the high bands." See QRZ.com for QSL info.

C6, BAHAMAS. John, 9H5G, will once again be active as 9H5G/C6A from Stocking Island, Great Bahama Bank (NA-001), between January 1-31st, 2014. Activity is usually on 160-10 meters, using SSB and the Digital modes (PSK/RTTY/JT65/JT9). He announced on QRZ.com, "I intend to travel throughout the Bahamas during the winter and spring of 2014 activating the following groups: NA-001 Great Bahama Bank group, NA-113 36.6% South Bahamas group, NA-054 Berry Islands and NA-048 Bimini Islands. Some of these are rarer than others, but since I will be traveling by boat, I am required to validate NA-054 and NA-048 through the IOTA Committee. I also hope to activate some islands that are not on the list, even although they seem to qualify (Hogsty Reef, Melita Cay). I hope to have more information on this soon." Watch QRZ.com for updates. QSL via LoTW, eQSL or direct to Buzz, NI5DX.

C9, MOZAMBIQUE (Update). Karel, ZS6ALB, informs OPDX that he is now permanently based in Mozambique and is active as C91KHN (C91C during contest) from Matola, Mozambiue (Grid locater KG64fa). He has been busy upgrading his station, changing the current Hygain tri-bander for a Mosley 67B 6-bander. However, Karel informed OPDX on Christmas Eve that he "will be away for the festive season and will be back in C9 country on 13 January 2014." After the upgrades, he states that he will be active on the following bands and modes:
Band Operations: 6m - 5 element Yagi
40/20/17/15/12/10m - Mosley 67B
Modes: SSB and Digitals modes PSK31, RTTY and JT65A (using Rigblaster Advantage)
QSL via his home callsign direct (preferred). Log will be uploaded to LoTW and ClubLog.

C9, MOZAMBIQUE (Update). By the time you read this, operators John/ZS5J and YL Beth/2W0VOW will once again be in Ponta de Ouro and be active as

C91J and C91B, respectively. John informs OPDX that their "ten day C91J and C91B DXpedition (earlier this month) was such a success (and really enjoyable) that we have negotiated with the owner of the sea-view cabin we stayed in, to go back for another ten days. We will be in Mozambique tomorrow 28th December through 6th January. We will be taking more antennas this time, specifically...resonant antennas on 40/17/12, so we will be able to use the amplifier on these bands, which we were not able to do on our last trip. So, 40 - 6 meters, SSB, CW and we will attempt the digital modes and RTTY also." Remember, you can see pictures from Beth on QRZ.com under C91B. QSL only direct to PO Box 102303, Meerensee, 3901 SOUTH AFRICA (with 3 USDs and your QSL card, and you willvget a QSL card back direct via air mail).

CE, CHILE. Bob, YV5IAL, will be active as CE2/homecall from Valparaiso between January 2-30th, 2014. Activity will be on 40-10 meters using PSK-31 with some SSB. QSL via his home callsign, by the Bureau or direct.

DL60, GERMANY (Special Event). OV Mainz, DL0MZ, will be celebrating 60 years of activity and will be active between January 1st and December 31st, 2014, as DL60JMZ from the special DOK 60K07. QSL via the Bureau.

EA, SPAIN (via 60m News). Javier, EA7OP, is reporting that SETSI is allowing EA stations to operate on 60m band between January-July 2014 on a channel basis. Allowed channels [kHz]: 5268, 5295, 5313, 5382, 5430 and 5439. The bandwidth to be used is 3 kHz. Power output 100W. Modes CW/SSB.

FR/T, TROMELIN (Press Release)[edited]: "Hi friends -- Most of the DXers consider entities as check boxes to tick once the country is worked and confirmed. That's the game! However, we hope to bring you a lot more than just a simple check mark as you discover our next destination... Let's talk about the 9th most wanted DXCC entity according to the Clublog statistics, an empty box for 75% of the amateur radio community.
Tromelin, as well as Glorioso, Juan de Nova, Europa, belongs to the ☐Eparses☐, a French word to name these small islands scattered around Madagascar. These French territories are administered by the TAAF (Terres Australes et Antarctiques Françaises). Their access is strictly controlled and regulated in particular for ecological reasons. Tromelin is the smallest one (1 square km) and the human impact is all the more sensitive. That's the only island where there are no French military troops and only 2 agents of the TAAF are posted there continuously.
The last operation took place in 2000. A 4 men team made 50,000 contacts with the callsign FR/F6KDF/T. No authorization has been given ever since. 2014 will be the 60th anniversary of the 1st hamradio activity from Tromelin. The operator was Marc, FB8BK/T.
Today, after some successful collaborative work with the TAAF authorities, we are proud to announce that we received our landing permission and got the green light to conduct an amateur radio operation on this remote island. We'll be active on Tromelin from October 30th to November 10th, 2014.
6 operators have been allowed to stay of the island. They have been selected for their experience and all six are ready to face the challenge. The team

is made up of Seb/F5UFX, Michel/FM5CD, Flo/F5CWU, Eric/F5SIH, Franck/F4AJQ, and Fred/F5ROP.
The request is huge and we are conscious of this. For this reason, we are working hard in order to prepare our operation in depth. Some places in the world will have short openings and we□ll do our best to exploit these short moments with proper planning adjusted with the help of pilots.
The coming months will be devoted to the search of sponsors. We already have part of the equipment but partnership with equipment suppliers will be essential. On the other hand, we will contact foundations, clubs, organizations to request assistance to help us balance our budget, estimated at 90,000 USDs, most of which is devoted to logistic costs.
Our website is online. All details regarding the progress, plans of the DXpedition and sponsorship opportunities will be accessible through dedicated pages.... http://www.tromelin2014.com
We will regularly keep updating you until our departure.

Team Tromelin 2014
Seb F5ufx, leader@tromelin2014.com "

HI, DOMINICAN REPUBLIC. Look for a Russian team to be active as HI8/homecall from the Dominican Republic between December 30th and January 7th. Operators mentioned are Andrey/RU4LG, Dmitry/RA4LB, Serge/UA4LGS and Pavel/UA4LL. Activity will be on the HF bands using CW, SSB, PSK and RTTY. The group may participate in the ARRL RTTY Roundup Contest (January 4-5th). QSL via their home callsigns.

IOTA NEWS.............
AF-032. Vittorio, I2GPT, will be active as 5H1VC from Zanzibar Island (WLOTA 1080, WWFF 5HFF-003) between January 4-12th, 2014. Activity will be on 40-10 meters using CW and RTTY (20m only) for the first time (Please have patience). QSL via RW6HS, direct (see QRZ.com) or by the Bureau.

OC-042. Mike, W6QT, will be active as DU3/W6QT from Luzon Island until March 2014. Activity has been 40/20/15/10 meters, but he actually likes working the lower bands. QSL via his home callsign.

OC-139. Andy, VK5MAV, will once again be active as VK5MAV/p from Kangaroo Island (WLOTA 0869) between February 3-10th, 2014. Activity will be holiday style on 40-10 meters using mostly CW. For direct QSLs, read details on QRZ.com. If you are not in a rush, all QSLs will be sent via the QSL Bureau 6-7 months later. Free of charge! Logsearch and QSL requests are also via the ClubLog OQRS system.

SA-025. (Delayed) Operators Raimundo/PT7CG and Renner/PY7RP were expected to be active as ZX8DX from Pedra do Sal Beach on Grande de Santa Isabel Island between December 26-30th. However, the ZX8DX operation was delayed. PT7CG intends to activate the island in the first two weeks of January.

ISWL CALLSIGNS (For January). The following ISWL club callsigns will be used throughout the month of January 2014:
GX4BJC/A - Operated from Great Sutton, in Cheshire, by Geof/M0BAU. (WAB Square SJ37 - England, IOTA EU-005 and WLOTA LH-1841).
MX1SWL/A - Operated from Skegby, in Nottinghamshire, by Merv/G0UJD. (/A WAB Square SK56 - England, IOTA EU-005 and WLOTA LH-1841).

ALL QSLs will be handled by Herbie, G6XOU, and NOT the individual operator. The I.S.W.L. is a member of the European PSK Club. All QSL info is on <www.iswl.org.uk> or <www.qrz.com> or via <www.eQSL.cc>. NO LoTW. I.S.W.L. Awards are available to all Hams and SWLs, see <www.iswl.org.uk> for full details. The eQSL.cc cards ARE welcomed for their awards.

J7, DOMINICA. John, AD8J, will be active as J79JG between January 29th and February 7th. Operation will be mostly CW, holiday style when not scuba diving. QSL to his home callsign or LoTW.

PJ4, BONAIRE (Update). Bill, K9HZ, is now active as PJ4HZ (not PJ4/K9HZ as first reported) from Bonaire (SA-006) until January 4th, 2014. Activity will be on 80-6 meters using QSL via his home callsign direct, LoTW and eQSL. NO Bureau QSLs.

PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (December 30th-January 5th)....
Dec/30th AN Jan/02nd AN Jan/04th BN
Dec/31st AN Jan/03rd AN Jan/05th AN
Jan/01st AN

SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS/INDEXES AND GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE
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NORMALITY GEOMAG K Values Alpha
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AN - Above Normal Quiet K=0-1 0-7
HN - High Normal Unsettled K=2 8-15
LN - Low Normal Active K=3 16-29
BN - Below Normal Minor Storm K=4 30-49
DIS - Disturbed Major Storm K=5 50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed Severe Storm K=6-9 100-400

OF9, FINLAND (SANTA QRT). From the Offices of Santa Claus, Lapland, Finland -- OF9X SANTA WENT QRT WEDNESDAY, DEC.25 AT 07 UTC -- This year, Santa Claus of Amateur Radio fame was somewhat different than in the past. A total of fifteen (15) radio operating elves and their support personnel brought Santa and Christmas cheer to ham families in a very special way, with several added elements to highlight the Festive Season. Not only were some 21.000 QSOs uploaded to ClubLog but associated with these QSOs were many interesting occasions when Santa was in personal contact with children all across the world. Those are moments to be treasured!
Of those 21.000 QSOs, a sizable proportion were made on CW as well as on low bands, utilizing state-of-the-art remote technology of Radio Arcala, OH8X. Moreover, extensive special hardware elsewhere was employed to add to highly dedicated operators in the Far North. Everyone was determined to push their personal Christmas envelope to its limit.

Santa would like to summarize your eligibility for the Santa Claus
(CW) Award which you can order by E-mail at <of9x@...>. You can
check your QSOs at <http://qrz.com/db/OF9X>.
1: You have a QSO with OF9X on SSB & CW - also 2012 Santa QSOs count.
2: You have only one 2013 QSO with OF9X - here correct passwords from
the Christmas Puzzle at qrz.com would compensate.

Additionally, you can A:) order a Bureau card, B:) direct airmail QSL
cards, and C:) a direct Award and QSL cards through ClubLog's OQRS facility.
See again the QRZ.com re: OF9X....
Thank you for contacting Santa on many modes and bands during Christmas
2013. Hopefully we will meet again next year.

OF9X Santa Claus and his elves - OH0XX, OH1JD, OH1TX, OH2BCI, OH2BEE,
OH2BH, OH2BR, OH2FPK (YL) , OH2FPX (YL),
OH2KM, OH2PM, OH2TA, OH6CT, OH6KN and OH6KZP

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....................
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (December 29th)

4L5O via N3SL HC8VWT/HC1 via K8FC SE2I via SA2BRN
4L8A via K1BV HK1N via EA5KB SH0G via SM0SHG
7X4AN via EA3GSS (d) I6/K1FM via K1FM SN0KDD via SP3POW
9A/S53V via S53V II3CW via IQ3GA (d) SO110RAEM via SP2FAP
9Q0AR via ON4CFC JW/PY2SEX via DL1NX T8CW via JA0FOX
9X0ZM via JO1CRA LU7YS via EA7HBC TM400M via F1EOY
A25CE via DK1CE LZ867MWB via LZ1KCP V44KAI via W5TFW
A25DJ via DJ2HD N4AF via RN3RQ (d/B/L) V5/DL3DXX via V5/DL3DXX
A25WO via DH3WO OA2/AL4Q via DJ8QP VK4EI via NR6M
A61DD via EA7HBC (d) OR1Z via ON6IX (d/e) WH0AU via JP3WAU
EA8/DJ9BN via DJ9BN OT6V via ON6VI XE1/DJ4EL via DJ4EL
EH1NAV via EA1OK OX3XR via PA3249 (d) YF1AR/8 via N2OO
EI0YOTA via ON9CFG PJ4/K9HZ via K9HZ YP20ARER via YO6CUF
EX8BS via RW6HS (d) PT5T via K3IRV YP9L via YO9GJY
FW5JJ via F5RXL R2014CC via R6CC YW0A via EB7DX
H40TA via DK9FN (d*) R7378TM via RM8W ZT1T via ZS1AFS (d)
HC2IMP via IK2DUW S506SLG via S59DCD ZW5W via PP5BZ

(e) eQSL only (d) direct only (B) Bureau only (L) LoTW only
(*) With Donation for social service.

IRC REDEMPTION ETC... QSL Manager Phil, G3SWH, reports: "Hi gang -- Just
a cautionary note for those of you who still use IRCs. With effect from
1st January 2014 and in common with most other UK based QSL managers, I
will *NOT* be accepting IRCs for payment for return postage. They are
just too much hassle. OQRS and US dollars are much preferred and easier
to handle. Please take a look at <http://www.g3swh.org.uk/postage.html>
which has been in place for about six months. In that time, I have
received probably less than 10 of the new, 2017 expiry IRCs.....
73 and Happy New Year to you all"

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 9H3TX, BG2AUE, F1RHS, F5MMB, G3YNN, HA1AD, JH7MQD, JW/PY2SEX, JW7XM, K4W, K9W, LA7HJA, M7X, OE6MDF, OK1WCF, OL7M, ON5GQ, PA0O, PJ4A, R7MA, RK9UAH, S21ZBB, S21ZBC, SP6GF, VE9DX, VU3WIJ, YT5EPP, YQ6A, XZ1J and Z81X

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3D2GC, 5A1AL, 5J0R, CR5CW, EF3EGB, HP0INT/2, HP0INT/3, HP0INT/9, J87GU and Z81X

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 7Z1HL, 9Q6AL, AA5AT, DJ3FS, DK2CH, DL2HWH, DL4FCH, DL8GP, DO5MCL/LH, DP1POL, EA1HNW, F-10828, HZ1EA, I0NUM, IK0RCY, IW3SGT, IZ5HNI, JA1NUX, JA3CG/1, JA3EGY, JF3SUL, KA1ERL, LX2LA, NI0B, NJ1H, OK1NZJ, OM5MF, OZ1GEJ, OZ8SW, PE1GUR, RA0FD, RV9DD, S53F, SP1DMD, SP3RBG, SQ3LLJ, SQ6MIP, SQ8KEZ, SV1GYG, SV2FLQ, T5TC, V21ZG, V31YN, VE3KI, VK1WJ, VU-0020, W5FK, W9II, YW5F and YZ1V

SOUTHEAST ASIAN TOUR. Toshi, JA8BMK, will activate two DXCC entities during the first two months of the new year. Activity will be holiday style using a HEX beam/wire antennas/Inv.Vee. Operations will be on 160-10 meters. Toshi informs OPDX that the modes will be CW and SSB, not sure about the Digital (says may be not). He will use a K2 with a 500w amp. QSL via JA8BMK, by the Bureau or direct (see QRZ.com). His tentative schedule (Starting/Ending dates are flexible) and callsigns are as follows:
January 15-30th - Callsign is XW8BM; from Vientiane, Laos.
February 15th-March 2nd (possibly 25th) - Callsign is XV2BM; from Nha Trang (eastcost of South China Sea), Vietnam.

MORE INFO FROM JA8BMK (Just before going to print!)[edited]: "I will leave Japan for Vientiane via China on Jan. 11, 2014, and I am scheduled to receive the license at PTT office. The thing is the location to operate. Vientiane is not a exceptional, noisy city and it seems very difficult to put up a vertical antennas for low bands. I will spend a few days to find a good location for antenna installation. Also, I must explain to the hotel people about what amateur radio is. Sometime, they do not give the permission to visitors as they have no knowledge on amateur radio. However, I succeeded in 3D (Fiji) land by explaining about BBC which I like to listen to.
Regarding my antennas, I left them in Nepal. They are KIO Hex beam and wire/vertical and coax cable for the next operation. This time I bought another Hex beam from DX Engineering. This is a very good antenna and seems strong. But the problem is that it takes a long time and I modified it so that Airline company (China Eastern) will accept the size which is only 158cm total dimension X+Y+Z as maximum. They will accept two of 23kg per person, I got 92kg for the luggage with two persons, my wife and I. The 158cm as a total dimension is now popular. The longest length is 96cm after modifying and I made a wooden box for them(28x30x100cm O.D.). KIO Hex beam seems cheaper and lighter, and simpler to assemble compared with DX Eng. Hex beam. For DXpedition, I like to recommend KIO.
The license fee is not cheap in XW (may be, in XV, too) as well as 9N. The fee should be calculated according to how many bands, how much power, what frequency, what mode and how many days. These factors can be multiplied. I heard in XW PTT office that one Russian guy payed over 2,500 US dollar before!

My schedule is not sure after XW operation. But I will be in Indo-China until Mar. 28th, 2014, and will try to visit some other entity if I have time. Anyway, I am traveling with my wife, I will not be so free as I must take care of her."

T6, AFGHANISTAN. T6EUPOL is the official ham radio station of the "European Union Police" (EUPOL) Mission in Afghanistan. The station is operated by Janusz, home callsign: AK4JK (aka T6/ZS5ADU). No QSNs have been listed yet on the DXCluster networks. QSL only direct to the AK4JK postal address together with the SAE plus 2 USDs for postage.

T8, PALAU. Masa, JN3MXT, will be active as T88MX from "VIP Guest Hotel" (Free Radio Room) on Koro Island (OC-009) between January 25-30th. Activity will be on the HF bands using mainly SSB and RTTY. QSL via his home callsign.

TM11, FRANCE (Special Event). Look for special event station TM11AAW to be on air February 1-2nd, 7-10th and 14-23rd. Activity is to celebrate the 11th Antarctic Activity Week. Operation will be made by François, F8DVD, from his QTH of Mâcon in the east part of France, 60 km, North of Lyon. The new reference for WAP program is 245. Activity will be on 40-10 meters, mostly SSB. QSL via F8DVD, by the Bureau or direct (SAE + 1 new IRC or 2 USDs) to: François Bergez 6, rue de la Liberté F- 71000 MACON FRANCE. E-mail: a.pole@... <mailto:a.pole%40laposte.net>
For more details, visit: http://tm11aaw.monsite-orange.fr
--or--
http://www.qrz.com/db/TM11AAW

TY, BENIN (Update). Wim, ON6DX (ex-ON4CIT), who was active as 5V7TH recently from Togo, announced this past week he finally received his Benin callsign TY1TT from the telecom authorities. He states, "Was not easy, took me the longest time and most expensive ever to get a callsign. Now I can plan flights and lodging beginning 2014 in Benin." No specific dates were mentioned yet. Activity will be from Grand PoPo and operations will be on 20/17/15/12/10/6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. Wim did mention, "Clublog is a fine tool, but this year: OQRS QSL: Yes, but... But no more clublog leaderboards." Read his reason and look for updates at: http://www.dxpedition.be/Benin.html

VQ9, CHAGOS (Update). Last week we reported that Jim, ND9M, is once again active as VQ9JC from Diego Garcia. Jim informed OPDX that he arrived on the island a month ago, but he had to get his license renewed; it expired a couple days before he landed. Jim states, "Normally, I get it renewed within one business day, but this time there was an administrative hiccup that led to a month-long delay. The British military officer in charge of the island ☐ called the 'Brit Rep' ☐ was new to his post here. He read all the can's and cannot's of the job, and the legal info about issuing ham licenses says that tickets are signed by the Territorial Commissioner who's back in the U.K. The Brit Rep finally got the official word last week that issuing authority was delegated to the local office, and my license was signed the next day. This was the first time in the 15 years

I've been coming here that anything like that had happened. In fact, licensing had been so smooth here that in 2008, I walked in to the Brit Rep's office without an appointment and left 45 minutes later with not only a signed renewal for my regular VQ9JC license but also a special temporary license for my VQ98JC operation. I wonder if anyone else can claim receiving two licenses fully authorized without previous notice that fast! Anyway, I'm still operating Field Day style from the covered picnic table at the park which has AC power and dozens of gecko lizards chasing the bugs. The table is about 30 feet from the wall of the jungle, and this weekend I'll try to thread a 135-foot OCF dipole through all the trees in the jungle so that I can not only leave the antenna up but also have multi-band capability. If I hoist the antenna where it can be seen, I would stand a very good chance of it being quickly removed as the 150 pound fishing line that I use to secure the antenna and the copper wire are both precious commodities here. The OCF dipole doesn't work on 15m, 30m, or 60m, even with a matchbox, so I'll put up separate dipoles for 15 and 30 and feed those two and the OCF to a switch. I don't know yet if I'll put up a 60m dipole. The 80m OCF is going to be a big enough project just to get it hoisted to only 25 feet; the jungle's pretty thick! I'll also be putting up a 20m dipole and maybe a 30m dipole as well on the ship. Obviously, I sign /MM during any contacts made from the ship as I did earlier this year. Contacts with me as /MM aren't valid for DXCC of course, but SKCC ops can count them if my ship's QTH is near the island. The rig is an FT-857D. I'll be running 100 watts most of the time, but I'm expecting to do some QRP work from here too. Most of my operating will be CW as usual (with a cootie most times), but I'll be on SSB occasionally. Also, I'm a rookie when it comes to digital comms, but I'm hoping to get my Rigblaster and FLDigi software configured to do some PSK and RTTY work. While on board the ship, I use an Icom IC-760 that I have set up in my service shop. I feed the coax through a helicopter control center that's directly above my shop. My shipboard antennas are about 115 feet above the water line. I don't have internet connectivity when I'm at my operating QTH on the island, so I obviously can't help with real-time QSY requests or the ever present 'EU PSE' when I'm calling for NA & SA stations." OPDX asked Jim about the status of the club station, possibly using a special VQ prefix for 2014, activity on the satellites and if he would attend the 2014 Dayton HamVention, and he replied, "Yeah, the ham club station is gone forever unfortunately. The log periodic has been grounded and dismantled, and everything in the shack has been turned back over to the Navy. I'm here six months out of the year of course, but once Larry, VQ9LA left three years ago, there was no one reliably present during my off times. When the Navy's MWR office personnel made a routine visit, they found nobody there since I was Stateside, so they decided that the club was no longer in use and took what they thought were appropriate steps. By the time I got back to the island and worked my way up the chain of command, the deal had been sealed. And yes, I'm working the satellites out here although there aren't many ops to work. I'll be on the birds when I get home again next year. I don't know yet if my XYL Cori (KK4CGA) and I will be at Dayton

this coming May or not. We're hoping to go to New England for the ARRL Centennial in July, and we'll likely do only one trip. My assignment schedule has me returning to the ship a few days days before the national convention, and I'm trying to work things out with the guy that's here when I'm off ship for him to stay a little longer so that I can attend. He hasn't given me a firm answer yet though..... My plan for 2014 is to get VQ94JC issued for sometime during the second half of the year. The local licensing office has no requirements toward my getting a ticket other than having one already issued by the FCC. My US license expires in April, and the FCC won't enable the renewing process until 90 days before the expiration date, so I have to wait until early January to do that. If I can get the renewed license here - actually just a scanned copy will do and my XYL will send that - I can turn that over to the local office, and they should issue me the short-term ticket. Emphasis on special. It's all legal of course, but the folks in that office are all British military who typically do one-year tours here before being re-assigned, so I can never assume that the next person will cooperate. I'm optimistic though as I've already had 7 VQ9xJC licenses plus the VQ975FOC ticket earlier this year, so the precedent's pretty well estab-lished. When I started doing the VQ9xJC bit in 2007, I did it just for fun and I thought the WPX chasers would like it. I really didn't expect to still be doing it after so many years. Now I'm looking ahead at rounding out the decade of annual special callsigns and thinking about what special prefix variation to initiate after the 10th one!" QSL via ND9M.

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** IMPORTANT NOTICE/REMINDER ** The Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin now has a new FAX number. Contributors can now send/fax their DX information to the following number: 1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)
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NEWS RELEASE
December 23, 2013
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CQ to Realign Publications, Launch New CQ Plus Digital Supplement
Hicksville, NY (December 23, 2013) -- CQ Communications, Inc. today announced plans to realign its roster of publications and to launch an exciting new online supplement to its flagship magazine, CQ Amateur Radio.

"The hobby radio market is changing," said CQ Communications President and Publisher Dick Ross, K2MGA, "and we are changing what we do and how we do it in order to continue providing leadership to all segments of the radio hobby." CQ Communications is currently the only publisher in the United States serving the broad radio hobby, from broadcast band DXing to amateur radio moonbounce and satellite communications. CQ itself has been amateur radio's leading independent voice for seven decades.

Effective with the February 2014 issue of CQ, said Ross, content from the magazine's three sister publications, Popular Communications, CQ VHF and WorldRadio Online, will be incorporated into CQ's digital edition as a supplement to be called "CQ Plus." With this change, hobby radio enthusiasts of all types will be able to go to a single source - CQ - for articles on the broader aspects of hobby radio, from shortwave listening and scanner monitoring to personal two-way services and Internet radio, as well as amateur radio. Richard Fisher, KI6SN, currently Editor of both Popular Communications and WorldRadio Online, will be Editor of CQ Plus.

"Our primary audience is ham radio operators," explained Ross, "but very few hams began their radio involvement as amateurs. Most of us started out as shortwave listeners, broadcast band DXers, CBers or scanning enthusiasts. Many continue to be involved in many different aspects of the radio hobby in addition to amateur radio."

"By consolidating four specialized publications into one," Ross continued, "we will be better able to keep these multidimensional readers informed on all aspects of the radio hobby while simultaneously exposing those who are not hams to all the excitement and opportunities that amateur radio has to offer. We see this as a win-win for all of our readers and our advertisers, who will now be able to reach a wider and more diverse audience."

The expanded material will be an integral part of the digital edition of CQ, and will be included as part of a standard digital subscription. Each month's digital edition will simply continue beyond where the print edition ends, offering supplemental material on all aspects of hobby radio communication and will include selected columns carried over from the other magazines. The added digital content will make full use of the multimedia opportunities presented by digital publications.

Current subscriptions to Popular Communications, CQ VHF and WorldRadio Online will be converted to CQ subscriptions - and receive CQ Plus at no additional charge! Details will be posted on each magazine website.

There's no need to wait to see the great variety of articles that will be featured each month in the new CQ and CQ Plus. A preview of the February issue's Table of Contents is available right now on the CQ website at <http://bit.ly/19mzbOK>.

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22079. RE: [DX-IS] Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1143

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-29 22:54:27 UTC
From: KQ8M
Topic: 22077 Message: 22079

I only receive one via this group. Don’t know where you are getting the rest of them. Maybe check your filters/rules?

73,

Tim Herrick, KQ8M

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AR-Cluster V6 kq8m.no-ip.org

User Ports: 23, 7373 with local skimmer, 7374 without local skimmer

Server Ports: V6 3607, V4 Active 3605, V4 Passive 3606

From: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com [mailto:DX-IS@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of willis yule
Sent: Sunday, December 29, 2013 4:45 PM
To: DX-IS@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [DX-IS] Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1143

I have been receiving duplicate mailing for quite some time. I read with a great deal of enthusitic zeal, but one would be enough. My count is 319 and not going up very fast. My age is going up faster than my count! If correction is not possible, that is OK also.

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From: Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW) <mailto:kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>

Sent: Sunday, December 29, 2013 3:13 PM

To: Ohio/Penn DX Mailing List <mailto:opdx@...>

Subject: [DX-IS] Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1143

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*** SPECIAL NOTE FROM EDITOR (Tedd, KB8NW): My family (wife/OPDX's chief proof-reader Linda, son Teddy [TJ] and his wife Jessi, daughter Katie and her husband Kevin and son Lliam), and I (KB8NW) would like to wish all DXers, Contesters and OPDX readers a very "Happy New Year". Thanks to the many individuals who have provided DX information over the past year. Without them there would not be an OPDX Bulletin. Also, thanks to the individuals who sent holiday wishes to my family and me.....
73 and Have a Great/Safe/Healthy New Year de Tedd KB8NW

DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 22nd-December, through Sunday, 29th-December there were 220 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3B9, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4X, 5A, 5B, 5R, 5W, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9Q, 9V, 9X, 9Y, A2, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BS7, BV, BY, C3, C6, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D6, DL, DU, E5/s, E6, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, F, FG, FH, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FW, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, H40, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HC8, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J5, J6, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ5, PJ7, PY, PZ, S2, S5, S7, S9, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TR, TT, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V3, V4, V5, V6, V8, VE, VK, VK9N, VP2V, VP5, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XW, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS, ZS8

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

1A, SOVEREIGN MILITARY ORDER OF MALTA (Reminder). An "international team" of operators led by Francesco, IK0FVC, will be active as 1A0KM from the Sovereign Military Order of Malta (SMOM) between January 2-7th (2014). At present time, operators will be Francesco/IK0FVC, Luciano/I0JBL, Sergio/IK0FTA, Roberto/IK0PRG, Michele/IW0BYL, Gianfranco/I0ZY, Antonio/I0GOJ, Fabrizio/I0HCJ, Marco/IK0DWN, Giordano/IK0XFD, Gianluca/IK5HHA, Cristiano/IZ0IEN, Andrea/IZ0NRG, Rudi/DK7PE, Franz/DJ9ZB, Seppo/OH1VR, Robert/S53R and Sandro/VE7NY. QSL via Sergio, IK0FTA, and also LoTW. 1A0KM operation supports the DX-Code of conduct. Online log facility will be also available. Look for more details to be forthcoming. Also, a Web page is now up and running, but with limited info at: http://www.1a0km.org

5C, MOROCCO. Ruggero, IK2PZC, will once again be active as 5C2P between February 6-9th. Activity will will be on HF bands using SSB and RTTY. He will also be in the CQ WPX RTTY Contest (February 8-9th). QSL via IK2PZC.

5Z, KENYA. "DX-World.net" reports that Scott, WA5A,will be active as 5Z4/WA5A from Ruaka starting around the first week of January 2014, until about January 28th. Activity will be holiday style on the HF bands. QSL via his home callsign.

6W, SENEGAL. Just a reminder that Francis, F6BLP, will once again be active as 6W7SK from Saly Portudal, 80 kms south of Dakar on the coast, between January 3-31st, 2014. Activity will be holiday style using the same station as last time (IC-7000 into G5RV antenna) operating mainly CW on 80-10 meters. If possible, he also hopes to be active on 160m with an Inverted L. QSL via F6BLP, direct or by the Bureau. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW and eQSL. For more details, logs and pictures of his last operation, visit: http://www.f6blp.org

7Q, MALAWI. Ken, LA7GIA, is expected to be active as 7Q7GIA for one week in May/June of 2014. QSL via his home callsign.

8Q, MALDIVES. By the time you read this, Mike, OE1SSS, will be in the Maldives and plans to be active as 8Q7SM. On his QRZ.com page, Mike states from December 28th to January 4th, he and his XYL will stay on the boat "SCUBASPA" for diving. After this trip, they will go to the Kandooma Resort and stay on the island until January 11th. Activity will be on 40/30/20/10 meters (depending on the conditions and his XYL). QSL via his home callsign.

C5, THE GAMBIA. Pedro, ON7WP/C5WP, announced on QRZ.com that he and Andre, ON7YK/C5YK, are or will be the only two permanent licensed hams in The Gambia for 2014 (as of now). Pedro will be active between January 11-15th, from the village Buntu (where he does charity care), and has set up his permanent base station (Kenwood TRC-80 Bush Radio and a brand new 5 band Spiderbeam). He also states [edited], "Additionally, I will put up some traveling wave V-beam antennas to USA and EU. We will also try some low band activity, but due to poor soil conductivity I expect not too much apart from extremely low noise levels (closest electricity wall outlet is 80 km away). Between January 16-22nd, we will move to the Kololi area where we will try some serious Low Band stuff based on a sea mounted vertical, together with dipoles and the V-beam for the high bands." See QRZ.com for QSL info.

C6, BAHAMAS. John, 9H5G, will once again be active as 9H5G/C6A from Stocking Island, Great Bahama Bank (NA-001), between January 1-31st, 2014. Activity is usually on 160-10 meters, using SSB and the Digital modes (PSK/RTTY/JT65/JT9). He announced on QRZ.com, "I intend to travel throughout the Bahamas during the winter and spring of 2014 activating the following groups: NA-001 Great Bahama Bank group, NA-113 36.6% South Bahamas group, NA-054 Berry Islands and NA-048 Bimini Islands. Some of these are rarer than others, but since I will be traveling by boat, I am required to validate NA-054 and NA-048 through the IOTA Committee. I

also hope to activate some islands that are not on the list, even although they seem to qualify (Hogsty Reef, Melita Cay). I hope to have more information on this soon." Watch QRZ.com for updates. QSL via LoTW, eQSL or direct to Buzz, NI5DX.

C9, MOZAMBIQUE (Update). Karel, ZS6ALB, informs OPDX that he is now permanently based in Mozambique and is active as C91KHN (C91C during contest) from Matola, Mozambiue (Grid locater KG64fa). He has been busy upgrading his station, changing the current Hygain tri-bander for a Mosley 67B 6-bander. However, Karel informed OPDX on Christmas Eve that he "will be away for the festive season and will be back in C9 country on 13 January 2014." After the upgrades, he states that he will be active on the following bands and modes:
Band Operations: 6m - 5 element Yagi
40/20/17/15/12/10m - Mosley 67B
Modes: SSB and Digitals modes PSK31, RTTY and JT65A (using Rigblaster Advantage)
QSL via his home callsign direct (preferred). Log will be uploaded to LoTW and ClubLog.

C9, MOZAMBIQUE (Update). By the time you read this, operators John/ZS5J and YL Beth/2W0VOW will once again be in Ponta de Ouro and be active as C91J and C91B, respectively. John informs OPDX that their "ten day C91J and C91B DXpedition (earlier this month) was such a success (and really enjoyable) that we have negotiated with the owner of the sea-view cabin we stayed in, to go back for another ten days. We will be in Mozambique tomorrow 28th December through 6th January. We will be taking more antennas this time, specifically...resonant antennas on 40/17/12, so we will be able to use the amplifier on these bands, which we were not able to do on our last trip. So, 40 - 6 meters, SSB, CW and we will attempt the digital modes and RTTY also." Remember, you can see pictures from Beth on QRZ.com under C91B. QSL only direct to PO Box 102303, Meerensee, 3901 SOUTH AFRICA (with 3 USDs and your QSL card, and you willvget a QSL card back direct via air mail).

CE, CHILE. Bob, YV5IAL, will be active as CE2/homecall from Valparaiso between January 2-30th, 2014. Activity will be on 40-10 meters using PSK-31 with some SSB. QSL via his home callsign, by the Bureau or direct.

DL60, GERMANY (Special Event). OV Mainz, DL0MZ, will be celebrating 60 years of activity and will be active between January 1st and December 31st, 2014, as DL60JMZ from the special DOK 60K07. QSL via the Bureau.

EA, SPAIN (via 60m News). Javier, EA7OP, is reporting that SETSI is allowing EA stations to operate on 60m band between January-July 2014 on a channel basis. Allowed channels [kHz]: 5268, 5295, 5313, 5382, 5430 and 5439. The bandwidth to be used is 3 kHz. Power output 100W. Modes CW/SSB.

FR/T, TROMELIN (Press Release)[edited]: "Hi friends -- Most of the DXers consider entities as check boxes to tick once the country is worked and confirmed. That's the game! However, we hope to bring you a lot more than

just a simple check mark as you discover our next destination... Let's talk about the 9th most wanted DXCC entity according to the Clublog statistics, an empty box for 75% of the amateur radio community.
Tromelin, as well as Glorioso, Juan de Nova, Europa, belongs to the 'Eparses', a French word to name these small islands scattered around Madagascar. These French territories are administered by the TAAF (Terres Australes et Antarctiques Françaises). Their access is strictly controlled and regulated in particular for ecological reasons. Tromelin is the smallest one (1 square km) and the human impact is all the more sensitive. That's the only island where there are no French military troops and only 2 agents of the TAAF are posted there continuously.
The last operation took place in 2000. A 4 men team made 50,000 contacts with the callsign FR/F6KDF/T. No authorization has been given ever since. 2014 will be the 60th anniversary of the 1st hamradio activity from Tromelin. The operator was Marc, FB8BK/T.
Today, after some successful collaborative work with the TAAF authorities, we are proud to announce that we received our landing permission and got the green light to conduct an amateur radio operation on this remote island. We'll be active on Tromelin from October 30th to November 10th, 2014.
6 operators have been allowed to stay of the island. They have been selected for their experience and all six are ready to face the challenge. The team is made up of Seb/F5UFX, Michel/FM5CD, Flo/F5CWU, Eric/F5SIH, Franck/F4AJQ, and Fred/F5ROP.
The request is huge and we are conscious of this. For this reason, we are working hard in order to prepare our operation in depth. Some places in the world will have short openings and we'll do our best to exploit these short moments with proper planning adjusted with the help of pilots.
The coming months will be devoted to the search of sponsors. We already have part of the equipment but partnership with equipment suppliers will be essential. On the other hand, we will contact foundations, clubs, organizations to request assistance to help us balance our budget, estimated at 90,000 USDs, most of which is devoted to logistic costs.
Our website is online. All details regarding the progress, plans of the DXpedition and sponsorship opportunities will be accessible through dedicated pages.... http://www.tromelin2014.com
We will regularly keep updating you until our departure.

Team Tromelin 2014
Seb F5ufx, leader@... "

HI, DOMINICAN REPUBLIC. Look for a Russian team to be active as HI8/homecall from the Dominican Republic between December 30th and January 7th. Operators mentioned are Andrey/RU4LG, Dmitry/RA4LB, Serge/UA4LGS and Pavel/UA4LL. Activity will be on the HF bands using CW, SSB, PSK and RTTY. The group may participate in the ARRL RTTY Roundup Contest (January 4-5th). QSL via their home callsigns.

IOTA NEWS.....
AF-032. Vittorio, I2GPT, will be active as 5H1VC from Zanzibar Island (WLOTA 1080, WWFF 5HFF-003) between January 4-12th, 2014.
Activity will be on 40-10 meters using CW and RTTY (20m only)

for the first time (Please have patience). QSL via RW6HS,
direct (see QRZ.com) or by the Bureau.

OC-042. Mike, W6QT, will be active as DU3/W6QT from Luzon Island
until March 2014. Activity has been 40/20/15/10 meters, but
he actually likes working the lower bands. QSL via his home
callsign.

OC-139. Andy, VK5MAV, will once again be active as VK5MAV/p from
Kangaroo Island (WLOTA 0869) between February 3-10th, 2014.
Activity will be holiday style on 40-10 meters using mostly
CW. For direct QSLs, read details on QRZ.com. If you are not
in a rush, all QSLs will be sent via the QSL Bureau 6-7 months
later. Free of charge! Logsearch and QSL requests are also
via the ClubLog OQRS system.

SA-025. (Delayed) Operators Raimundo/PT7CG and Renner/PY7RP were
expected to be active as ZX8DX from Pedra do Sal Beach on
Grande de Santa Isabel Island between December 26-30th. How-
ever, the ZX8DX operation was delayed. PT7CG intends to
activate the island in the first two weeks of January.

ISWL CALLSIGNS (For January). The following ISWL club callsigns will be
used throughout the month of January 2014:
GX4BJC/A - Operated from Great Sutton, in Cheshire, by Geof/M0BAU.
(WAB Square SJ37 - England, IOTA EU-005 and WLOTA LH-1841).
MX1SWL/A - Operated from Skegby, in Nottinghamshire, by Merv/G0UJD.
(/A WAB Square SK56 - England, IOTA EU-005 and WLOTA LH-1841).

ALL QSLs will be handled by Herbie, G6XOU, and NOT the individual
operator. The I.S.W.L. is a member of the European PSK Club. All QSL
info is on <www.iswl.org.uk> or <www.qrz.com> or via <www.eQSL.cc>.
NO LoTW. I.S.W.L. Awards are available to all Hams and SWLs, see
<www.iswl.org.uk> for full details. The eQSL.cc cards ARE welcomed for
their awards.

J7, DOMINICA. John, AD8J, will be active as J79JG between January 29th
and February 7th. Operation will be mostly CW, holiday style when not
scuba diving. QSL to his home callsign or LoTW.

PJ4, BONAIRE (Update). Bill, K9HZ, is now active as PJ4HZ (not PJ4/K9HZ
as first reported) from Bonaire (SA-006) until January 4th, 2014. Activity
will be on 80-6 meters using QSL via his home callsign direct, LoTW and
eQSL. NO Bureau QSLs.

PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (December 30th-January 5th)....
Dec/30th AN Jan/02nd AN Jan/04th BN
Dec/31st AN Jan/03rd AN Jan/05th AN
Jan/01st AN

SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS/INDEXES AND GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE
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NORMALITY GEOMAG K Values Alpha
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AN - Above Normal Quiet K=0-1 0-7
HN - High Normal Unsettled K=2 8-15
LN - Low Normal Active K=3 16-29
BN - Below Normal Minor Storm K=4 30-49
DIS - Disturbed Major Storm K=5 50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed Severe Storm K=6-9 100-400

OF9, FINLAND (SANTA QRT). From the Offices of Santa Claus, Lapland, Finland
-- OF9X SANTA WENT QRT WEDNESDAY, DEC.25 AT 07 UTC -- This year, Santa
Claus of Amateur Radio fame was somewhat different than in the past. A
total of fifteen (15) radio operating elves and their support personnel
brought Santa and Christmas cheer to ham families in a very special way,
with several added elements to highlight the Festive Season. Not only
were some 21.000 QSOs uploaded to ClubLog but associated with these QSOs
were many interesting occasions when Santa was in personal contact with
children all across the world. Those are moments to be treasured!
Of those 21.000 QSOs, a sizable proportion were made on CW as well as
on low bands, utilizing state-of-the-art remote technology of Radio Arcala,
OH8X. Moreover, extensive special hardware elsewhere was employed to add
to highly dedicated operators in the Far North. Everyone was determined
to push their personal Christmas envelope to its limit.
Santa would like to summarize your eligibility for the Santa Claus
(CW) Award which you can order by E-mail at <of9x@...>. You can
check your QSOs at <http://qrz.com/db/OF9X>.
1: You have a QSO with OF9X on SSB & CW - also 2012 Santa QSOs count.
2: You have only one 2013 QSO with OF9X - here correct passwords from
the Christmas Puzzle at qrz.com would compensate.

Additionally, you can A:) order a Bureau card, B:) direct airmail QSL
cards, and C:) a direct Award and QSL cards through ClubLog's OQRS facility.
See again the QRZ.com re: OF9X....
Thank you for contacting Santa on many modes and bands during Christmas
2013. Hopefully we will meet again next year.

OF9X Santa Claus and his elves - OH0XX, OH1JD, OH1TX, OH2BCI, OH2BEE,
OH2BH, OH2BR, OH2FPK (YL) , OH2FPX (YL),
OH2KM, OH2PM, OH2TA, OH6CT, OH6KN and OH6KZP

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (December 29th)

4L5O via N3SL HC8VWT/HC1 via K8FC SE2I via SA2BRN
4L8A via K1BV HK1N via EA5KB SH0G via SM0SHG
7X4AN via EA3GSS (d) I6/K1FM via K1FM SN0KDD via SP3POW
9A/S53V via S53V II3CW via IQ3GA (d) SO110RAEM via SP2FAP
9Q0AR via ON4CFC JW/PY2SEX via DL1NX T8CW via JA0FOX
9X0ZM via JO1CRA LU7YS via EA7HBC TM400M via F1EOY
A25CE via DK1CE LZ867MWB via LZ1KCP V44KAI via W5TFW
A25DJ via DJ2HD N4AF via RN3RQ (d/B/L) V5/DL3DXX via V5/DL3DXX

A25WO via DH3WO OA2/AL4Q via DJ8QP VK4EI via NR6M
A61DD via EA7HBC (d) OR1Z via ON6IX (d/e) WH0AU via JP3WAU
EA8/DJ9BN via DJ9BN OT6V via ON6VI XE1/DJ4EL via DJ4EL
EH1NAV via EA1OK OX3XR via PA3249 (d) YF1AR/8 via N2OO
EI0YOTA via ON9CFG PJ4/K9HZ via K9HZ YP20ARER via YO6CUF
EX8BS via RW6HS (d) PT5T via K3IRV YP9L via YO9GJY
FW5JJ via F5RXL R2014CC via R6CC YW0A via EB7DX
H40TA via DK9FN (d*) R7378TM via RM8W ZT1T via ZS1AFS (d)
HC2IMP via IK2DUW S506SLG via S59DCD ZW5W via PP5BZ

(e) eQSL only (d) direct only (B) Bureau only (L) LoTW only
(*) With Donation for social service.

IRC REDEMPTION ETC... QSL Manager Phil, G3SWH, reports: "Hi gang -- Just a cautionary note for those of you who still use IRCs. With effect from 1st January 2014 and in common with most other UK based QSL managers, I will *NOT* be accepting IRCs for payment for return postage. They are just too much hassle. OQRS and US dollars are much preferred and easier to handle. Please take a look at <http://www.g3swh.org.uk/postage.html> which has been in place for about six months. In that time, I have received probably less than 10 of the new, 2017 expiry IRCs.....
73 and Happy New Year to you all"

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 9H3TX, BG2AUE, F1RHS, F5MMB, G3YNN, HA1AD, JH7MQD, JW/PY2SEX, JW7XM, K4W, K9W, LA7HJA, M7X, OE6MDF, OK1WCF, OL7M, ON5GQ, PA0O, PJ4A, R7MA, RK9UAH, S21ZBB, S21ZBC, SP6GF, VE9DX, VU3WIJ, YT5EPP, YQ6A, XZ1J and Z81X

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3D2GC, 5A1AL, 5J0R, CR5CW, EF3EGB, HP0INT/2, HP0INT/3, HP0INT/9, J87GU and Z81X

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 7Z1HL, 9Q6AL, AA5AT, DJ3FS, DK2CH, DL2HWH, DL4FCH, DL8GP, DO5MCL/LH, DP1POL, EA1HNW, F-10828, HZ1EA, I0NUM, IK0RCY, IW3SGT, IZ5HNI, JA1NUX, JA3CG/1, JA3EGY, JF3SUL, KA1ERL, LX2LA, NI0B, NJ1H, OK1NZJ, OM5MF, OZ1GEJ, OZ8SW, PE1GUR, RA0FD, RV9DD, S53F, SP1DMD, SP3RBG, SQ3LLJ, SQ6MIP, SQ8KEZ, SV1GYG, SV2FLQ, T5TC, V21ZG, V31YN, VE3KI, VK1WJ, VU-0020, W5FK, W9II, YW5F and YZ1V

SOUTHEAST ASIAN TOUR. Toshi, JA8BMK, will activate two DXCC entities during the first two months of the new year. Activity will be holiday style using a HEX beam/wire antennas/Inv.Vee. Operations will be on 160-10 meters. Toshi informs OPDX that the modes will be CW and SSB, not sure about the Digital (says may be not). He will use a K2 with a 500w amp. QSL via JA8BMK, by the Bureau or direct (see QRZ.com). His tentative schedule (Starting/Ending dates are flexible) and callsigns are as follows:
January 15-30th - Callsign is XW8BM; from Vientiane, Laos.
February 15th-March 2nd (possibly 25th) - Callsign is XV2BM; from Nha Trang (eastcost of South China Sea), Vietnam.

MORE INFO FROM JA8BMK (Just before going to print!)[edited]: "I will leave Japan for Vientiane via China on Jan. 11, 2014, and I am scheduled to receive the license at PTT office. The thing is the location to operate.

Vientiane is not a exceptional, noisy city and it seems very difficult to put up a vertical antennas for low bands. I will spend a few days to find a good location for antenna installation. Also, I must explain to the hotel people about what amateur radio is. Sometime, they do not give the permission to visitors as they have no knowledge on amateur radio. However, I succeeded in 3D (Fiji) land by explaining about BBC which I like to listen to.
Regarding my antennas, I left them in Nepal. They are KIO Hex beam and wire/vertical and coax cable for the next operation. This time I bought another Hex beam from DX Engineering. This is a very good antenna and seems strong. But the problem is that it takes a long time and I modified it so that Airline company (China Eastern) will accept the size which is only 158cm total dimension X+Y+Z as maximum. They will accept two of 23kg per person, I got 92kg for the luggage with two persons, my wife and I. The 158cm as a total dimension is now popular. The longest length is 96cm after modifying and I made a wooden box for them(28x30x100cm O.D.). KIO Hex beam seems cheaper and lighter, and simpler to assemble compared with DX Eng. Hex beam. For DXpedition, I like to recommend KIO.
The license fee is not cheap in XW (may be, in XV, too) as well as 9N. The fee should be calculated according to how many bands, how much power, what frequency, what mode and how many days. These factors can be multiplied. I heard in XW PTT office that one Russian guy payed over 2,500 US dollar before!
My schedule is not sure after XW operation. But I will be in Indo-China until Mar. 28th, 2014, and will try to visit some other entity if I have time. Anyway, I am traveling with my wife, I will not be so free as I must take care of her."

T6, AFGHANISTAN. T6EUPOL is the official ham radio station of the "European Union Police" (EUPOL) Mission in Afghanistan. The station is operated by Janusz, home callsign: AK4JK (aka T6/ZS5ADU). No QSNs have been listed yet on the DXCluster networks. QSL only direct to the AK4JK postal address together with the SAE plus 2 USDs for postage.

T8, PALAU. Masa, JN3MXT, will be active as T88MX from "VIP Guest Hotel" (Free Radio Room) on Koro Island (OC-009) between January 25-30th. Activity will be on the HF bands using mainly SSB and RTTY. QSL via his home callsign.

TM11, FRANCE (Special Event). Look for special event station TM11AAW to be on air February 1-2nd, 7-10th and 14-23rd. Activity is to celebrate the 11th Antarctic Activity Week. Operation will be made by François, F8DVD, from his QTH of Mâcon in the east part of France, 60 km, North of Lyon. The new reference for WAP program is 245. Activity will be on 40-10 meters, mostly SSB. QSL via F8DVD, by the Bureau or direct (SAE + 1 new IRC or 2 USDs) to: François Bergez 6, rue de la Liberté F- 71000 MACON FRANCE. E-mail: a.pole@... <mailto:a.pole%40laposte.net>
For more details, visit: http://tm11aaw.monsite-orange.fr
--or--
http://www.qrz.com/db/TM11AAW

TY, BENIN (Update). Wim, ON6DX (ex-ON4CIT), who was active as 5V7TH recently from Togo, announced this past week he finally received his Benin callsign TY1TT from the telecom authorities. He states, "Was not easy, took me the longest time and most expensive ever to get a callsign. Now I can plan flights and lodging beginning 2014 in Benin." No specific dates were mentioned yet. Activity will be from Grand PoPo and operations will be on 20/17/15/12/10/6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. Wim did mention, "Clublog is a fine tool, but this year: OQRS QSL: Yes, but... But no more clublog leaderboards." Read his reason and look for updates at: http://www.dxpedition.be/Benin.html

VQ9, CHAGOS (Update). Last week we reported that Jim, ND9M, is once again active as VQ9JC from Diego Garcia. Jim informed OPDX that he arrived on the island a month ago, but he had to get his license renewed; it expired a couple days before he landed. Jim states, "Normally, I get it renewed within one business day, but this time there was an administrative hiccup that led to a month-long delay. The British military officer in charge of the island – called the 'Brit Rep' – was new to his post here. He read all the can's and cannot's of the job, and the legal info about issuing ham licenses says that tickets are signed by the Territorial Commissioner who's back in the U.K. The Brit Rep finally got the official word last week that issuing authority was delegated to the local office, and my license was signed the next day. This was the first time in the 15 years I've been coming here that anything like that had happened. In fact, licensing had been so smooth here that in 2008, I walked in to the Brit Rep's office without an appointment and left 45 minutes later with not only a signed renewal for my regular VQ9JC license but also a special temporary license for my VQ98JC operation. I wonder if anyone else can claim receiving two licenses fully authorized without previous notice that fast! Anyway, I'm still operating Field Day style from the covered picnic table at the park which has AC power and dozens of gecko lizards chasing the bugs. The table is about 30 feet from the wall of the jungle, and this weekend I'll try to thread a 135-foot OCF dipole through all the trees in the jungle so that I can not only leave the antenna up but also have multi-band capability. If I hoist the antenna where it can be seen, I would stand a very good chance of it being quickly removed as the 150 pound fishing line that I use to secure the antenna and the copper wire are both precious commodities here. The OCF dipole doesn't work on 15m, 30m, or 60m, even with a matchbox, so I'll put up separate dipoles for 15 and 30 and feed those two and the OCF to a switch. I don't know yet if I'll put up a 60m dipole. The 80m OCF is going to be a big enough project just to get it hoisted to only 25 feet; the jungle's pretty thick! I'll also be putting up a 20m dipole and maybe a 30m dipole as well on the ship. Obviously, I sign /MM during any contacts made from the ship as I did earlier this year. Contacts with me as /MM aren't valid for DXCC of course, but SKCC ops can count them if my ship's QTH is near the island. The rig is an FT-857D. I'll be running 100 watts most of the time, but I'm expecting to do some QRP work from here too. Most of my operating will be CW as usual (with a cootie most times), but I'll be on SSB occasionally. Also, I'm a rookie when it comes to digital comms, but I'm hoping to get my Rigblaster and FLDigi software

configured to do some PSK and RTTY work. While on board the ship, I use an Icom IC-760 that I have set up in my service shop. I feed the coax through a helicopter control center that's directly above my shop. My shipboard antennas are about 115 feet above the water line. I don't have internet connectivity when I'm at my operating QTH on the island, so I obviously can't help with real-time QSY requests or the ever present 'EU PSE' when I'm calling for NA & SA stations." OPDX asked Jim about the status of the club station, possibly using a special VQ prefix for 2014, activity on the satellites and if he would attend the 2014 Dayton HamVention, and he replied, "Yeah, the ham club station is gone forever unfortunately. The log periodic has been grounded and dismantled, and everything in the shack has been turned back over to the Navy. I'm here six months out of the year of course, but once Larry, VQ9LA left three years ago, there was no one reliably present during my off times. When the Navy's MWR office personnel made a routine visit, they found nobody there since I was Stateside, so they decided that the club was no longer in use and took what they thought were appropriate steps. By the time I got back to the island and worked my way up the chain of command, the deal had been sealed. And yes, I'm working the satellites out here although there aren't many ops to work. I'll be on the birds when I get home again next year. I don't know yet if my XYL Cori (KK4CGA) and I will be at Dayton this coming May or not. We're hoping to go to New England for the ARRL Centennial in July, and we'll likely do only one trip. My assignment schedule has me returning to the ship a few days days before the national convention, and I'm trying to work things out with the guy that's here when I'm off ship for him to stay a little longer so that I can attend. He hasn't given me a firm answer yet though..... My plan for 2014 is to get VQ94JC issued for sometime during the second half of the year. The local licensing office has no requirements toward my getting a ticket other than having one already issued by the FCC. My US license expires in April, and the FCC won't enable the renewing process until 90 days before the expiration date, so I have to wait until early January to do that. If I can get the renewed license here - actually just a scanned copy will do and my XYL will send that - I can turn that over to the local office, and they should issue me the short-term ticket. Emphasis on special. It's all legal of course, but the folks in that office are all British military who typically do one-year tours here before being re-assigned, so I can never assume that the next person will cooperate. I'm optimistic though as I've already had 7 VQ9xJC licenses plus the VQ975FOC ticket earlier this year, so the precedent's pretty well established. When I started doing the VQ9xJC bit in 2007, I did it just for fun and I thought the WPX chasers would like it. I really didn't expect to still be doing it after so many years. Now I'm looking ahead at rounding out the decade of annual special callsigns and thinking about what special prefix variation to initiate after the 10th one!" QSL via ND9M.

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** IMPORTANT NOTICE/REMINDER ** The Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin now has a new FAX number. Contributors can now send/fax their DX information to the following number: 1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)

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SPECIAL NOTE BY EDITOR (Updated 09/15/2013): If you are having a problem
receiving bounced mail by sending mail to me via <kb8nw@...>,
please send mail to me via <kb8nw@hotmail.com> ...... TNX de Tedd KB8NW
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PLEASE NOTICE (as of February 12th), NEW ADDRESS CHANGES FOR THE
OPDX INTERNET HELP/SUBSCRIBE/UNSUBSCRIBE REQUESTS:
Help: <mailto:opdx-request@...?subject=help>
Subscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@...?subject=subscribe>
Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=unsubscribe>
OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):
http://www.papays.com/opdx.html
ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB PAGES AT:
http://www.nodxa.org/
http://www.facebook.com/NorthernOhioDxAssociation

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1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)
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NEWS RELEASE
December 23, 2013
FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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CQ to Realign Publications, Launch New CQ Plus Digital Supplement
Hicksville, NY (December 23, 2013) -- CQ Communications, Inc. today
announced plans to realign its roster of publications and to launch an
exciting new online supplement to its flagship magazine, CQ Amateur Radio.

"The hobby radio market is changing," said CQ Communications President
and Publisher Dick Ross, K2MGA, "and we are changing what we do and how
we do it in order to continue providing leadership to all segments of
the radio hobby." CQ Communications is currently the only publisher in
the United States serving the broad radio hobby, from broadcast band
DXing to amateur radio moonbounce and satellite communications. CQ itself
has been amateur radio's leading independent voice for seven decades.

Effective with the February 2014 issue of CQ, said Ross, content from
the magazine's three sister publications, Popular Communications, CQ VHF

and WorldRadio Online, will be incorporated into CQ's digital edition as a supplement to be called "CQ Plus." With this change, hobby radio enthusiasts of all types will be able to go to a single source - CQ - for articles on the broader aspects of hobby radio, from shortwave listening and scanner monitoring to personal two-way services and Internet radio, as well as amateur radio. Richard Fisher, KI6SN, currently Editor of both Popular Communications and WorldRadio Online, will be Editor of CQ Plus.

"Our primary audience is ham radio operators," explained Ross, "but very few hams began their radio involvement as amateurs. Most of us started out as shortwave listeners, broadcast band DXers, CBers or scanning enthusiasts. Many continue to be involved in many different aspects of the radio hobby in addition to amateur radio."

"By consolidating four specialized publications into one," Ross continued, "we will be better able to keep these multidimensional readers informed on all aspects of the radio hobby while simultaneously exposing those who are not hams to all the excitement and opportunities that amateur radio has to offer. We see this as a win-win for all of our readers and our advertisers, who will now be able to reach a wider and more diverse audience."

The expanded material will be an integral part of the digital edition of CQ, and will be included as part of a standard digital subscription. Each month's digital edition will simply continue beyond where the print edition ends, offering supplemental material on all aspects of hobby radio communication and will include selected columns carried over from the other magazines. The added digital content will make full use of the multimedia opportunities presented by digital publications.

Current subscriptions to Popular Communications, CQ VHF and WorldRadio Online will be converted to CQ subscriptions - and receive CQ Plus at no additional charge! Details will be posted on each magazine website.

There's no need to wait to see the great variety of articles that will be featured each month in the new CQ and CQ Plus. A preview of the February issue's Table of Contents is available right now on the CQ website at <http://bit.ly/19mzbOK>.

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Sysop of the "Basic Amateur Radio Frequency BBS" (BARF80.ORG)

22080. Re: Online WAE award application

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-30 12:09:06 UTC
From: <leezl2al@...>
Topic: 22053 Message: 22080
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

John, I applied for the WAE-TOP award many years ago and did it all by paper cards. It was the first plaque ever awarded to a ZL. The interesting thing is that you only get the brass "plate" with the info on it. I looked at for a few months and wondered what the heck you do with a plate and then had a wooden back made up for it which hangs very nicely on the wall. I have attached a photo. The WAE-TOP seems like an easy award to earn but it's not because of the multiband points system. It is very worthwhile though.

I just finished the "Peter The Great" Award plaque. It would have to be one of the most beautiful plaques I have come across. It's not super difficult but is very interesting to work for.

Enjoy your WAE plaque John. Well done

73, Lee ZL2AL

22081. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-30 15:30:01 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 22081

:Issued: 2013 Dec 30 1146 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#---#
DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC
(RWC Belgium)
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SIDC URSIGRAM 31230
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 30 Dec 2013, 1112UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 30 Dec 2013 until 01 Jan 2014)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Minor storm expected (A>=30 or K=5)
SOLAR PROTONS : Warning condition (activity levels expected to increase, but no numeric forecast given)
PREDICTIONS FOR 30 Dec 2013 10CM FLUX: 138 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 31 Dec 2013 10CM FLUX: 136 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 01 Jan 2014 10CM FLUX: 134 / AP: 020
COMMENT: Several C-class flares occurred since our last bulletin, all originating in NOAA AR 11936. The largest one was a C5.4 flare peaking at 19:30 UT on December 29. We expect more C-class flares in the coming 24h. There is also a good chance (around 50%) for an M-class flare. Due to its location close to the west limb and the fact that NOAA AR 11934 is still showing flux emergence and associated activity, we issue a warning condition for a proton event in case a strong flare occurs in this active region. CACTUS reported the detection of a partial halo CME at 07:12 UT on December 29. This CME originated near NOAA AR 11938. Coronagraph images from LASCO/C2 and STEREO-B/COR2 show that this is a very slow event (around 180 km/s) which is mostly southward directed. We do not expect geomagnetic effects from this eruption. The leading edge of a recurrent coronal hole has crossed the central meridian. This coronal hole has grown compared to the previous rotation. At that time, the associated fast wind stream caused a geomagnetic storm (Kp up to 6, K_Dourbes up to 5). The solar wind speed has decreased further to 300 km/s and the total strength of the magnetic field lies around 6 nT. Current geomagnetic conditions are quiet. We expect them to remain so until late on January 1, when we foresee the arrival of a coronal hole wind stream. Minor storm conditions (K_Dourbes up to 5) are expected.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 068, BASED ON 10 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 29 Dec 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 137
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 007
AK WINGST : 005
ESTIMATED AP : 003
ESTIMATED ISN : 087, BASED ON 29 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
END

22082. Report SIDC Ursigram

Yahoo group: DX-IS (2013)
Date: 2013-12-31 15:30:00 UTC
From: Paul Dunphy
Topic: 19749 Message: 22082

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:Issued: 2013 Dec 31 1140 UTC
:Product: documentation at http://www.sidc.be/products/meu
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
# DAILY BULLETIN ON SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY from the SIDC #
# (RWC Belgium) #
#-----------------------------------------------------------------#
SIDC URSIGRAM 31231
SIDC SOLAR BULLETIN 31 Dec 2013, 1112UT
SIDC FORECAST (valid from 1230UT, 31 Dec 2013 until 02 Jan 2014)
SOLAR FLARES : Eruptive (C-class flares expected, probability >=50%)
GEOMAGNETISM : Minor storm expected (A>=30 or K=5)
SOLAR PROTONS : Warning condition (activity levels expected to increase, but no numeric
forecast given)
PREDICTIONS FOR 31 Dec 2013 10CM FLUX: 145 / AP: 007
PREDICTIONS FOR 01 Jan 2014 10CM FLUX: 145 / AP: 020
PREDICTIONS FOR 02 Jan 2014 10CM FLUX: 142 / AP: 016
COMMENT: The flaring activity in the southern solar hemisphere continues at
C-class level. The largest flare in the past day was a C5.6 flare
originating in NOAA AR 11936 with peak time at 02:40 UT today. Afterwards,
also NOAA AR 11938 produced a C2.0 flare, peaking at 05:32 UT. Both regions
are expected to produce more C-flares in the coming hours. AR 11936, which
has evolved to a beta-gamma-delta region, also has the potential to produce
an M-class flare. We maintain the warning condition for proton events.
STEREO-A/COR2 images show a CME at 07:08 UT, after a data gap. More data is
needed for further analysis, but this event may originate near NOAA AR
11934, which is turning over the west limb. A possible glancing blow from
this CME can occur late on January 3. STEREO-B/COR2 observed a faint CME on
December 29 around 20:25 UT, possibly linked to the M-flare on that day. A
glancing blow from this CME is possible on January 2. We expect minor
geomagnetic storm conditions late on January 1 and early on January 2
(K_Dourbes up to 5) due to the arrival of a fast coronal hole wind stream
and possible effects from the CME activity on December 29.
TODAY'S ESTIMATED ISN : 091, BASED ON 11 STATIONS.

SOLAR INDICES FOR 30 Dec 2013
WOLF NUMBER CATANIA : ///
10CM SOLAR FLUX : 143
AK CHAMBON LA FORET : 007
AK WINGST : 002
ESTIMATED AP : 002
ESTIMATED ISN : 068, BASED ON 17 STATIONS.

NOTICEABLE EVENTS SUMMARY
DAY BEGIN MAX END LOC XRAY OP 10CM Catania/NOAA RADIO_BURST_TYPES
NONE
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END
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